



ESTACADA FIRE DISTRICT #69

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CADET FIREFIGHTER PROGRAM

Membership requirements: Must be a current student at Estacada High School; or home schooled within the Estacada Fire District; or completing online school from home within Estacada Fire District; Min age 16; must be pursuing a high school diploma; Must maintain at least a 2.0 GPA while in the program (report cards due to program coordinator quarterly).

To apply: Complete a fire district application; Provide 2 reference letters with at least one from a teacher; successfully complete interview with program coordinator and selected interview panel members. Email Firefighter/Paramedic Jaeden Brown at jbrown@estacadafire.org.

Program Description: Classes will be during the regular school week after school and meet once a week for 2 hours. Cadets must attend at least 80% of classes, no more than 3 unexcused absences per school year. Cadets will attend classroom sessions covering NFPA Firefighter 1 and 2 curriculum, Emergency Medical Responder (EMR), Hazardous Materials Awareness & Operations. Students must pass all assignments, quizzes and tests with a minimum score of 80%. There will be no driving of district vehicles, interior fire operations, operation of power equipment or roof operations allowed as determined by OSHA rule.

Cadets are expected to sign up for "ride-along" with on duty shifts as staffing allows. A minimum of 6 hours per month is required. Ride along will be arranged through the program coordinator. Other than during ride along time, Cadets will not attend regularly scheduled volunteer or career staff training unless specifically requested. During the ride along cadets will wear "observer" safety vests. Cadets may assist with emergency operations within their scope and as allowed by the company officer, acting officer or chief officer.

Cadets will be trained in emergency fire and life safety operations to better prepare them for future volunteer and career firefighter and EMS opportunities. Those Cadets that successfully complete the program will be fast tracked into the Estacada Fire District Volunteer Firefighter program upon graduating high school. Department of Public Safety Standards & Training (DPSST) credit will be given for successful completion of the courses provided.

Cadets will be issued personal protective equipment with distinctive markings to differentiate them from regular firefighters. T-shirts will be issued to all cadets. Cadets are expected to wear district issued T-shirts to all classes and be clean and neat when attending any class or district activity. T-Shirts may be worn to school but should not otherwise be worn. Cadets must understand they always represent the fire district. Failure to represent the district positively always is grounds for immediate dismissal.