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National Fire Academy classes taught at OFA
Course meets IFSAC standards
Grant/Loan Money Available
Free Courses
Dear Fellow Fire Service Member,

I am pleased to provide you with the 2016 Ohio Fire Academy Course Catalog. It is a goal I have had since becoming the State Fire Marshal to present Ohio’s fire service with the best opportunities for education and training. That's why we're committed to making sure you know about upcoming class offerings through this catalog.

With his extensive experience as both a firefighter and an educator, the leadership of Academy Superintendent Steve Goheen was instrumental in making 2015 another successful year at the Academy. Superintendent Goheen and I share a goal of continuing to make the Ohio Fire Academy one of the best places to train in the country.

2015 was an exciting year here at the State Fire Marshal's office. We continued the Listening Tours, meeting with local fire departments to see how we can help and better assist them in their work. Many ideas were collected during these stops, which we've continued to work towards incorporating into our work here. We hope to offer even more opportunities both here at our facility in Reynoldsburg and throughout the state this year.

I would also like to remind readers of the various grants and loans available through the Ohio Department of Commerce and Division of State Fire Marshal. We have been blessed to have these funds available in previous years, and likewise, are excited to be able to offer them again throughout 2016. Read further into the catalog to find more information about the different opportunities we are able to offer.

In addition to this updated issue of the Course Catalog, the Ohio Fire Academy has launched a new-and-improved online registration portal, making it easier for you to sign up for the various classes our Academy offers. As is evident with this upgrade, we are committed to making our educational opportunities here at the Academy as accessible and affordable as possible.

While these course offerings are the most current at the time of printing, we encourage you to visit our website (http://www.com.ohio.gov/fire) for any additional offerings available throughout the year. Also, make sure you connect with us on our Twitter (@OhioFireAcademy) and Facebook (facebook.com/OhioFireAcademy) pages to find additional course information. It is our mission to safeguard the lives and property of Ohioans and to ensure that “Everyone Goes Home.” We appreciate your dedication and continued service as you progress in your fire service career.

Sincerely,

Larry L. Flowers
State Fire Marshal
Dear Fellow Firefighters,

Thank you for your interest in the Ohio Fire Academy. It is my pleasure to present the 2016 Ohio Fire Academy Course Catalog. I believe this publication improves on last year’s exceptional edition, and I thank our staff, professional fire instructors and media experts who contributed many hours to its success. It is my hope that you find this catalog a valuable source in planning your professional development as first responders.

Over the last several months, we in the fire service have heard the troubling news regarding the rise in cancer rates and its devastating impact on our fire families. With assistance from the Firefighter Cancer Support Network, the Ohio Fire Academy has taken on the challenge of educating our students and veterans, not only about the cancer risks at fire incidents, but about the preventive measures to protect ourselves and our families.

Over the next year, we are challenging all of our instructors – here at the Ohio Fire Academy and statewide – as well as our students, to practice cancer safety on a daily basis. The Academy has changed its policies in our classrooms and drill grounds to teach these practices and develop the habits we need for longevity in our careers. Some simple tasks which can make a huge impact include washing our gear after each fire, keeping our gear in a well-ventilated area away from living and sleeping quarters and washing our face and arms before and after changing air bottles. For all the pertinent details, I strongly encourage you to make it a top priority to learn what you can do differently to avoid the risks of cancer. You can learn more by visiting the Firefighter Cancer Support Network website at www.firefightercancersupport.org.

Lastly, we are excited to announce the Academy’s newly-launched website for online course registration. Our students will now interact with a more user-friendly portal to register for classes and preview our course offerings. I am very proud of our staff who have worked diligently to improve customer relations in this endeavor. We are committed to our first responders and will continue striving to better support you in your mission to protect lives and property in our great state.

Sincerely,

Steve R. Goheen
Ohio Fire Academy Superintendent
The Ohio Division of State Fire Marshal, located in Reynoldsburg, is the oldest established office of its kind in the United States. It was created in April 1900 and the first State Fire Marshal, S.D. Hollenbeck, was appointed one month later. The office of State Fire Marshal was originally created to combat arson and a growing number of fraudulent insurance claims resulting from intentionally set fires.

While the investigation of arson fires remained a key component of the State Fire Marshal's mission, many additional duties and bureaus were added over the years. In the early 1900s, fire prevention programs were established to help reduce the number of fires and teach citizens of the dangers fires present.

In November 1967, the Ohio State Firemen's Training Academy, now known as the Ohio Fire Academy, was established. Ohio became the first state to develop an arson laboratory in 1973 with funds from LEAA, a federal law enforcement grant. In 1977, both the academy and the laboratory moved to its present location in Reynoldsburg. At that time, the 50-acre campus also housed the arson, inspection and fire prevention bureaus.

Today, the Division of State Fire Marshal consists of eight bureaus: Administration, Bureau of Underground Storage Tank Regulation (BUSTR), Code Enforcement (including the Fireworks Unit), Fire Prevention, Forensic Laboratory, Fire & Explosion Investigation Bureau, Ohio Fire Academy and Testing and Registration.

In 2006, the State Fire Marshal headquarters underwent a $10 million renovation and expansion of the main building. The campus has grown from the 50 original acres to more than 118 acres and includes classrooms for 300 students, a 350-person multipurpose room, a 70 bed dormitory and an extensive fleet of apparatus and mobile training units.

The Division of State Fire Marshal continues to dedicate resources to Ohio's fire service in the forms of grants for equipment and training, including the MARCS (Multi Agency Radio Communication System) grant and the Firefighter I grant. Revolving loans are also offered to help fire departments secure larger items, such as apparatus or a new fire station.

The Division of State Fire Marshal also is responsible for modernizing, promulgating and enforcing the Ohio Fire Code; designing and presenting fire prevention programs; analyzing fire-related criminal evidence; investigating the cause and origin of fires and explosions; training first responders; providing fire safety education to business, industry and the general public; regulating underground storage tanks; testing and training; and licensing and certification support services.

The Division of State Fire Marshal continues to be an innovator in training, investigations, forensics, prevention and fire code development as it strives to keep Ohio's citizens safe from the dangers of fire. Working as part of a larger Department of Commerce team, the Division of State Fire Marshal hopes to continue to make Ohio one of the best states in which to live, work and visit.
Honoring those who serve

Nominations for Ohio Fire Service Hall of Fame wanted

Each year, the State Fire Council accepts nominations for the Ohio Fire Service Hall of Fame and Awards.

You can nominate someone for the Ohio Fire Service Citizen Award, the Ohio Fire Service Distinguished Service Award, William L. Howard Public Service Award or the Ohio Fire Service Valor Award.

Call Tonia Smith at (614)-752-7161 with nomination questions. The deadline for nominations is June of each year.

Nomination forms located at: www.com.ohio.gov/fire

- **The Ohio Fire Service Citizen Award**
  
  A member of the general public qualifies if he or she, at great personal risk to themselves, is credited with directly saving or attempting to save a life or lives during an extreme fire or other emergency rescue situation. This award can be given to a resident of any state for an event that occurred in Ohio, or to any resident of Ohio for incidents occurring in any state. The nominee must not have been a member of the same household as the victims, or in which the incident occurred. In addition, the nominee must not have been a member of the career or volunteer fire services in Ohio at the time of the incident. The event shall have occurred between January 1st and December 31st of the previous year.

- **The Ohio Fire Service Distinguished Service Award**
  
  This honor is for outstanding individuals whose contributions and leadership to the fire service within the state of Ohio has been a milestone in the development of those services; whose actions have served not just their community, but have contributed significantly to the fire service on a regional, statewide, and/or national basis; and, whose leadership and accomplishments in these areas are widely recognized and respected in the Ohio fire service.

- **The William L. Howard Award**
  
  For citizens of Ohio who are not members of the fire service, but have - during the course of their career or lives - made significant contributions toward advancement of the fire service on a regional, statewide, and/or national basis; and, whose leadership and accomplishments in these areas are widely recognized and respected in the Ohio fire service.

- **The Ohio Fire Service Valor Award**
  
  A nominee must be a fire service member, who at great personal risk, is credited with directly saving or attempting to save a life or lives during an emergency situation by going above and beyond the normal line of duty. The nominee must also have been a member of a career or volunteer fire service in the state of Ohio at the time of the heroic act. The event shall have occurred between Jan. 1 – Dec. 31 of the previous year.
Loans, grants available to state’s fire departments

**Loans**

**Small Government Fire Department Services Revolving Loan**

This program was created by the Ohio General Assembly to assist local governments in funding certain fire department major expenses. A revolving loan can be used to expedite the purchase of major firefighting, rescue or EMS equipment, as well as for construction or renovation of fire department buildings. Applications become available in December of each year. Grant award and non-award notifications are forwarded the following spring.
Fire Training Reimbursement Grant

Fire Departments providing primary fire protection to an area with a permanent population of 25,000 or less qualify for the grant. Reimbursement is available for specific fire training classes, including the cost of training manuals and student workbooks up to the maximum amount authorized. Only the following classes are covered by the grant: Volunteer Firefighter, Firefighter I Transition, Firefighter I, Firefighter II Transition, Firefighter I & II (combined), Certified Fire Safety Inspector and Certified Fire Instructor. The following Ohio Fire Academy Courses will be covered by the grant: Fire Officer I, Fire Officer II, Emergency Vehicle Operations, Structural Fire Attack 101, NFPA 1403 Courses, Understanding Fire Behavior (Mobile Fire Lab), Mobile Search & Rescue Lab, Mobile Search & Rescue Lab – Basic, Mobile Search & Rescue – Advanced, Grain Rescue. Training grants awards are subject to availability of funds. Applications become available in December of each year. Grant award and non-award notifications are forwarded in the Spring of each year.

Individual Fire Department Equipment Grant

The Division of State Fire Marshal makes the Fire Department Individual Equipment Grant available to qualifying fire departments. Allowable equipment within the grant includes protective clothing, SCBA, communications equipment and other miscellaneous equipment. Eligible fire departments must serve a population of 25,000 or less, be in compliance with the Volunteer Firefighters’ Dependents Fund outlined in Ohio Revised Code 146, and have submitted incident fire reports for the previous year. Applications become available in December of each year. Grant award and non-award notifications will be forwarded in the Spring of each year.

Joint Fire Department Equipment Grant

The Division of State Fire Marshal makes the Fire Department Joint Applicant Equipment Grant available to qualifying fire departments. Allowable equipment within the grant includes protective clothing, SCBA, communications equipment and other miscellaneous equipment. Eligible fire departments must serve a population of 25,000 or less, be in compliance with the Volunteer Firefighters’ Dependents Fund outlined in Ohio Revised Code 146, and have submitted incident fire reports for the previous year. Applications become available in December of each year. Grant award and non-award notifications will be forwarded in the Spring of each year.

Multi-Agency Radio Communication System (MARCS) Grant

In an effort to help provide Ohio’s fire departments the resources they need to effectively and safely serve the public, the Ohio Department of Commerce’s Division of State Fire Marshal was pleased to provide for the first time the 2015 MARCS Grant. The MARCS Grant was made available to assist fire departments that serve a population of 25,000 or less to purchase systems, equipment, and/or services that are a part of, integrated into, or otherwise interoperable with the Multi-Agency Radio Communications System operated by the state of Ohio with respect to provide fire protection services.

Firefighter I Training Grant

This grant provides funding to pay for the costs of providing Firefighter I or Firefighter I Transition certification courses free of charge at SFM approved class providers. By partnering with eligible class providers, it is the goal of the SFM to ease the costs to local governments, promote shared services and broaden the availability of these courses throughout the state. Grant funding is limited to $500,000 state-wide and will be dispersed to compliant course providers on a first come first serve basis. Applications become available in July of each year.

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The Ohio Fire Academy has many strategic partnerships, allowing us to share knowledge and resources with leading agencies, educators, researchers and professional associations. This creates a learning environment that is of the highest quality and unmatched in Ohio. Current partnerships include:

**STATE AGENCIES**
- State Fire Marshal
- Department of Commerce
- Ohio Department of Natural Resources – Division of Forestry
- Ohio Department of Natural Resources – Division of Watercraft
- The Ohio Adjunct Generals Department – Ohio National Guard
- Ohio Department of Public Safety – Division of EMS
- Ohio Department of Public Safety – Emergency Management Association
- Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
- Ohio Bureau of Workers’ Compensation
- Ohio Department of Transportation
- QuickClear – TIMS Traffic Management Program

**COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES**
- The Ohio State University – Agricultural Safety & Health Program
- The Ohio State University – College of Veterinary Medicine
- The Ohio State University – Center for EMS
- Central Ohio Technical College
- Cuyahoga Community College
- Washington State Community College
- Owens Community College – Center for Emergency Preparedness

**STATE ASSOCIATIONS**
- Ohio Fire Chiefs’ Association
- Ohio State Firefighters Association
- Ohio Professional Firefighters Association
- Ohio Society of Fire Service Instructors
- Ohio Association of Emergency Vehicle Technicians
- Ohio Rural Fire Council
CAREER & TECHNICAL SCHOOLS
Mid-East Career & Technology Center
Medina Career Center
Knox County Career Center

NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & ACCREDITATIONS
International Society of Fire Service Instructors
International Fire Service Accreditation Service (IFSAC)
The ProBoard

U.S. GOVERNMENT
U.S. Fire Administration – National Fire Academy
United States of America – Department of Veterans Affairs
United States Air Force
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms

PUBLIC & PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS
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Columbus Division of Fire
Colerain Township Fire & EMS
Tri-Med Tactical
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DuPont – Circleville
DuPont – Washington Works
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Findlay Fire Department
Whitehall Fire Department
Violet Township Fire Department
Washington Township Fire Department
Jackson Township Fire Department
Bloom Township Fire Department
Upper Arlington Fire Department

SPONSORSHIPS & CAUSES
National Fallen Firefighters Foundation – Everyone Goes Home
Firefighter Cancer Support Network
For many years prior to 2004, United States fire service leaders discussed the need to reduce line-of-duty deaths (LODDs). Different organizations had developed programs and strategies to attack the problem, but despite their best efforts no holistic vision or clear, cohesive strategy to attack the problem had emerged.

Several events were driving the issue to the forefront: the seemingly immovable annual average of 100 (or more) LODDs, the startling and unexpected multiple impacts of 9-11, and a goal declared by the United States Fire Administration to reduce firefighter LODDs by 50 percent within a decade. So, by 2004 reducing line-of-duty injuries and fatalities was on everyone's radar.

As interest in this topic grew, the idea of a National Firefighter Safety Summit took hold. Initially the goal was to bring together all of the key players in the fire service, both organizations and individuals, to identify the critical issues leading to the preponderance of LODDs, and to agree on common strategies to help reduce the number of injuries and deaths.

In March 2004, the Firefighter Life Safety Summit was held in Tampa, Florida to address the need for change within the fire and emergency services. Through this meeting, 16 Life Safety Initiatives were produced to ensure that Everyone Goes Home®.

The program, founded by the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation, provides free training, resources, and programs to champion and implement the 16 Firefighter Life Safety Initiatives. The goal of the Everyone Goes Home® Program is to reduce the number of preventable firefighter line-of-duty injuries and deaths.

The Everyone Goes Home® Firefighter Life Safety Initiatives Program is made possible through the efforts of the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation with funding provided by the Department of Homeland Security, Assistance to Firefighters Grant, and the generosity of Fireman’s Fund Insurance Company.

For more information, go to: www.everyonegoeshome.com
Firefighter Cancer Support Network

FCSN Objective
The objective of the Firefighter Cancer Support Network (FCSN) is to provide timely assistance to all fire service members and their families in the event of cancer diagnosis. We maintain and continuously update a roster of mentors who have personal experience with many types of cancers who will personally guide you through the process of dealing with your specific illness.

In addition to our mentor program, we are always in need of volunteers to assist us by helping to support our various committees, specialized task programs, member support activities and specialized events we are asked to attend. The FCSN also provides awareness to fire service members and their families about the importance of cancer prevention and screening by coordinating educational opportunities with various health programs.

We do not provide legal or medical advice but can provide assistance and guidance for other support options such as behavioral health services, fire service organizations, Fire Service Chaplains, another cancer support programs.

The FCSN is in collaboration with the American Cancer Society and the Live Strong Foundation. We are all fire department members, fathers, mothers, sons and daughters. We are all volunteers whom have sat in the chair which you sit in right now.

FCSN Mission
The mission of the Firefighter Cancer Support Network is to provide fire department members and their families with an opportunity to receive assistance when dealing with cancer.

Together, we can provide comfort, strength, and hope through our own experiences in dealing with the devastating effects of cancer.

Together, we can educate fire department members regarding the importance of cancer screenings and early detection.

Together, we can promote an awareness that cancer does not have to be dealt with alone.

Together, We Can Make a Difference.

Five steps to better protection
Limit your exposure to carcinogens on the fire scene and at the firehouse by implementing the following guidelines:

1. Make sure all fire apparatus are connected to a Source Capture Exhaust System in the stations. (Most effective system per the IAFF and FEMA)
2. Do NOT remove your PPE, including the SCBA, until the area has been monitored and deemed safe by your Safety Officer.
3. DECON yourself by taking a hot shower immediately after any fire or when an exposure to toxins or carcinogens may have occurred.
4. Keep PPE out of living and sleeping quarters, and properly store them in a separate enclosed room with an exhaust fan to the outside. (NFPA 1500)
5. Clean and properly maintain your PPE after each use, as specified in NFPA 1851 and in your PPE manufacturer’s recommendations.

For more information, contact:
Phone: 866-994-FCSN (3276)
Web: www.firefightercancersupport.org
What sets us apart?
The Ohio Fire Academy is accredited by the Ohio Department of Public Safety Division of EMS. Charter/Accreditation ID: 341. We have the unique distinction of being the only entity in Ohio to offer both IFSAC and ProBoard accreditations — making us your one stop location for accredited training.

Why is accreditation important? Accredited entities issue certificates to individuals who pass examinations based on National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) fire service professional qualifications and other standards approved by the Assembly.

Accreditation Levels

### IFSAC

**New for 2016**
**Fire & Life Safety Educator 1 (New for 2016)**
**Fire & Life Safety Educator 2 (New for 2016)**

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Improve training, save money through 24-7

The Ohio Fire Academy has arranged for greatly reduced pricing on online training memberships for all Ohio fire departments, EMS agencies, firefighters, and EMS providers. Memberships feature 24-7 Fire and 24-7 EMS courses for firefighter development and EMS continuing education. Every course is approved by the OFA to meet continuing education and professional development requirements in Ohio.

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Rescue Tech series arrives fall of 2016


Utilizing both NFPA 1006 and 1670 as guides for the development of this program, and with the access to the resources available at the Ohio Fire Academy, Ohio’s Firefighters will be able to receive a complete Rescue Technician certification as the ultimate tool in their tool box; learning everything from the foundation courses of rescue such as Rope, Trench, Vehicle, and Machinery to the complex courses such as Mine and Tunnel and Lost Person Search.

- **Rope Rescue Technician**
- **Confined Space Technician**
- **Auto Extrication Technician**
- **Surface Water Rescue Operations**
- **Trench Rescue Technician**
- **Lost Person Search Operations**
- **Structural Collapse Operations**
- **Machinery Extrication Technician**
- **Swift Water Rescue Technician**
- **Ice Rescue**
- **Mine & Tunnel Rescue**
- **Rescue Technician CE’s**
Coming soon:
Paramedic training

The Ohio Fire Academy is pleased to be working with Central Ohio Technical College in an effort to offer State of Ohio Certified Paramedic training to Ohio fire services.

Course delivery options will be finalized in the near future. Options include: 1) A full time Paramedic Training Class conducted on a 40-hour/week schedule for six months; and 2) Part-time completion of the Paramedic Training Course conducted over a one-year period of time.

Students who successfully complete the National Registry test will be awarded college credit through the Central Ohio Technical College. The COTC Paramedic Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs. With the addition of a paramedic program held on the OFA campus, those entering the fire service can get all certifications at one place.

Student registration procedures will be available in January 2016.
The Firefighter Mile is an entry-level firefighter physical ability test designed to assess readiness for the physical demands of firefighting. In particular, the Firefighter Mile is designed to demonstrate that the candidate has sufficient stamina, strength, and agility to accomplish the critical job tasks.

Research has shown that the most common cause of firefighter injury and even death is overexertion and stress. Ensuring the physical fitness of firefighters helps reduce their chance of injury and death, which in turn provides for the safety of victims and other firefighters alike.

The Firefighter Mile consists of ten events arranged in a specific order. Three of the ten events are walking events, interspersed between the other events. Each event must be performed in a technically correct fashion or a warning or disqualification will be issued.

To pass the test, candidates must properly complete all tasks in the correct order. There is not an overall time limit, though there is a time limit for each event. One point is awarded for completing each event within a specified time. Candidates must receive at least 8 out of 10 points to pass. Candidates may pass an event but earn no points if they finish within a longer maximum time frame.
New partnership leads to regional training center

The Ohio Fire Academy is proud to announce our first Regional Training Center (RTC). Owens Community College – Center for Emergency Preparedness, located in Walbridge, Ohio near Toledo. The CEP is an excellent facility that offers some of the very same top quality training opportunities we have at our main campus in Reynoldsburg. The CEP site will provide for a greater opportunity for northwest Ohio’s first responders to obtain the same high quality course offerings that you have received from the Reynoldsburg Campus, only in a closer to home setting. We have put together a great list of course offerings for 2016 and hope that you take full advantage of attending these classes.

Tentative 2016 course listings at Owens Community College

- Incident Safety Officer
- Health & Safety Officer
- Stress First Aid
- Leadership So Everyone Goes Home (LEGH)
- Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations (STICO)
- Pump Theory & Hydraulics
- NFPA 1403 Live Fire Instructor
- Fire Attack 101
- Ohio S-L-I-C-E-R-S 1.0

- RIT-1
- Preparations for Initial Company Operations (PICO)
- Auto Extrication
- Chlorine Emergencies
- Leadership, Accountability, Culture & Knowledge (LACK)
- Aerial Ladder Operations
- Building Construction for the Fire Service
- Decision Making for Initial Company Ops (DIMCO)

**Final offerings and dates to be announced**
2016 new courses

- **Fire Chief II: Administrative Issues**
  
  This two-day National Fire Academy course is designed for the newly appointed Fire Chief in volunteer, combination or career departments as well as for Emergency Medical Services chiefs. The goal for this course is to provide students the managerial, administrative and leadership skills and awareness necessary for new or recently appointed or elected chiefs to effectively meet their obligations of the position.

  Course: 1926  
  Hours: 16  
  Dates: Jan. 19 - 20, 2016  
  Fee: $25  
  Deadline: Three weeks prior

- **Firefighter Refresher: I**
  
  This two-day course is designed to give firefighters basic knowledge and hands-on refresher training. The Firefighter Refresher I course covers materials such as PPE & safety, search & rescue, forcible entry, water supply, hose & streams, and ground ladders.

  These topics will be covered in both classroom and hands-on training settings on the Ohio Fire Academy training grounds. Students will receive 16 hours of continuing education upon completion.

  Course: 0073  
  Hours: 16  
  Dates: To be announced  
  Fee: TBA  
  Deadline: Three weeks prior

- **Firefighter Refresher: II**
  
  This two-day course intermediate course covers materials such as ropes & knots, firefighter survival & bailouts, fire behavior and tactical ventilation.

  These topics will be covered in both classroom and hands-on training settings on the Ohio Fire Academy training grounds. Students will receive 16 hours of continuing education upon completion.

  Course: 0074  
  Hours: 16  
  Dates: To be announced  
  Fee: TBA  
  Deadline: Three weeks prior

- **Firefighter Refresher: III**
  
  This two-day advanced refresher course will cover firefighter rehabilitation and medical monitoring, introduction to NFPA 1584, introduction to extinguishment, vehicles and structures with live fire evolutions.

  These topics will be covered in both classroom and hands-on training settings on the Ohio Fire Academy training grounds. Students will receive 16 hours of continuing education upon completion.

  Course: 0075  
  Hours: 16  
  Dates: To be announced  
  Fee: TBA  
  Deadline: Three weeks prior

- **Firefighter Refresher III: Intro to Rapid Intervention Crews**
  
  This two-day course trains firefighters on the basics of a Firefighter Rapid Intervention Crews (RIC), as set forth in NFPA 1500, Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Program; and NFPA 1407, Standard on Training Fire Department Rapid Intervention Crews.

  Topics will be covered in both classroom and hands-on training at the Academy. Prior to enrolling, students must have met job performance requirements for Firefighter I in NFPA 1001. Students will receive 16 hours of continuing education upon completion.

  Course: 0076  
  Hours: 16  
  Dates: To be announced  
  Fee: TBA  
  Deadline: Three weeks prior

- **Suicide Prevention**
  
  This course will provide suicide prevention, awareness training and intervention techniques for use among fire and rescue service personnel. This is a class on how to prevent suicide – not to prepare participants to be counselors.

  Students enrolling in this class should think of themselves as “first responders” to their fellow officers and know how to aid life through questioning, persuading and referring a colleague to get help when needed.

  Course: 2198  
  Hours: 4  
  Dates: Aug. 15, 2016  
  Nov. 22, 2016  
  Fee: FREE  
  Deadline: Three weeks prior
- **Introduction to Rescue Tech**
  Students wanting the ultimate Rescue Technician certification will enroll in this course that covers NFPA 1006 Chapters 4 and 5. The course also introduces to Surface Water Rescue. Students completing the Rescue Technician Program will also be required to attend the Mid Term Skills and Knowledge assessment Oct. 12-13, 2016 and the Fall Semester Final Nov. 21-22, 2016. The Attendance of the skills and knowledge assessments listed above is optional for those not wanting to complete the Rescue Technician program in its entirety.

- **Lost Person Search and Rescue**
  Lost Person Search and Rescue is a must have for the rescuer’s tool box. All aspects of wilderness and urban setting search and rescue are included, including skills and techniques, equipment and supplies, the ICS structure, and rescuer placement. Both Level I and Level II of Lost Person Search and Rescue are introduced. The course is the foundation for advanced Lost Person Search and Rescue courses. Beginning in the classroom, the course ends with a simulated search covering a large area. Students should be prepared for weather and wooded terrain during outdoor sessions of the class.

- **Politics and the White Helmet**
  This course provides chief officers in both fire service and EMS agencies with an overview of the ways to succeed and work within local, county and state level political systems to achieve positive results for their departments. It gives officers improved and better ways of relating with citizens in an effort to gain support for bond issues, tax votes, and the like. The course addresses successful approaches to bring about change, the culture of power, influence, negotiation and coalition building. Students must obtain a FEMA Student ID number prior to class. A pre-course assignment is also due. A link for the above will be provided.

- **Rapid Intervention Team I**
  This class is an introduction to firefighter safety and survival as well as rapid intervention skills. Students will be given valuable information and perform skills that could not only save their life, but the lives of fellow firefighters. During the three-day class, students will perform multiple self-rescue skill stations as well as learn rope management, emergency air systems and Rapid Intervention Team (RIT) deployment. All students should be in good physical condition. Full PPE gear including clothing and SCBA with spare bottle are required.

- **Rescue Technician Continuing Education Training**
  This course is for anyone who wants additional training through continuing education. Those needing Rescue Technician CE’s for their Fire Certification will be challenged with hands-on skills, scenarios and a written test. For the October class, students are required to use skills attained in Rope, Confined Space, Hazardous Materials and/or Trench Rescue training. For the November class, students are required to use skills attained in all skills listed in the October class with the addition of Vehicle and Machinery training. All students should bring helmet, eye and ear protection, gloves, and work/rescue boots. Clothing appropriate for all weather conditions is a must.

- **Stress First Aid for Fire and EMS**
  This course is designed to reduce the risk of stress reactions in fire and rescue personnel. It recognizes individuals who are reacting to a wide range of stressors in their work and personal lives, and are in need of intervention to promote healing. Stress First Aid offers a spectrum of one-on-one or group interventions to ensure safety, reduce the risk for more severe stress reactions and to promote recovery. The class discusses the principles of peer teams in fire and EMS services and how they can be organized to promote healing through the model of Firefighter Behavioral Health as fire departments adapt to new ways of supporting firefighters. Training is delivered by an NFFF Behavioral Health specialist and a fire service member trainer. The class is designed for leaders of emergency responders.
Aerial Ladder Operations

This class will demonstrate the safe and proper use of aerial apparatus with field evolutions. The student will demonstrate a basic understanding of safe aerial operations, aerial apparatus positioning, and setting up and operating elevated streams.

The class is designed for small to medium size departments that respond with ladder companies. Students must be certified as a firefighter in Ohio.

Emergency Vehicle Operations — Fire

This 16-hour Emergency Vehicle Operations course consists of two parts. Part A includes eight hours of classroom instruction covering the following topics:

- Legal aspects of emergency vehicle operation, operator’s responsibility, vehicle inspection and maintenance, safe operation of emergency vehicles, understanding Ohio Revised Code 4511, the selection of routes, seat belts, operation of lights and sirens, rural, urban and expressway operations, dealing with intersections, traffic signals and stop signs, the results of high speeds, parking and passing operations, handling unusual situations, and meeting the NFPA Standard on Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Professional Qualifications.

Part B consists of a minimum of eight hours of hands-on driving of emergency apparatus at the Academy’s driver training facility using OFA fire apparatus. When this course is delivered to an outside agency, that agency’s chief is responsible for ensuring all participants finish Part B within 180 days of the completion of Part A.

Feel the Heat

The Ohio Fire Academy developed this course to help local elected officials, such as city council members and township trustees, understand the demands of firefighting. Elected officials experience wearing PPE and SCBA. They can participate in search and rescue operations, auto extrication demonstrations, observe the operation of a ladder truck from its ‘aerial platform,’ extinguish live fires inside the Academy’s burn building, and experience the honor of the job.

Special note: Many of the day’s activities require the wearing of SCBA. Persons with beards or other facial hair that interferes with the SCBA mask may not take part in some activities. A change of clothes is recommended. Participation in each scheduled events is optional. Participants receive several photos suitable for framing.

Fire Investigations Level I

Students will learn the fundamentals of fire scene investigation for origin and cause determination through interactive classroom presentations, lecture, group exercises and hands-on practical exercises. Upon completion of this course, students will have the basic tools needed to participate in a fire origin and cause investigation.

This course is intended for applicants with at least 5 years experience in fire service and/or law enforcement. The course complies with NFPA 1033, Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigators. Selected candidates should be responsible for determining the origin and cause of fires for their employer. Students selected for this course need to bring the following: flashlight; camera; protective gear (coveralls, helmet, work gloves, hard sole shoes and safety glasses); departmental forms; and laptop. Contact the Registrar’s office for specific requirements and information.
Firefighter I & II

This extensive firefighter program is the only one of its kind in the state of Ohio to be recognized by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) and ProBoard. This course meets and exceeds the Ohio Revised Code for firefighters and the training and education standards identified in the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standards. Upon completion of this course, participants will have the knowledge necessary to successfully complete the Firefighter 1 & 2 examination.

Firefighters will learn essential functions of the job including: professionalism, leadership, teamwork, honor, firefighter safety, emergency vehicle operation and apparatus pumping. The course runs Monday-Friday (6 a.m. to 5 p.m.) with multiple evening sessions scheduled. All participants must provide documentation indicating they meet all prerequisites listed below.

Requirements:
Specific requirements and personal protective equipment information can be obtained by contacting the Registrar's office or emailing us at webofa@com.state.oh.us.

1. Students must meet all requirements outlined by OAC4765-20-02.
2. Students must take and pass the COMPASS Test or have previously taken a COMPASS Test. Previous SAT or ACT scores may be eligible as a substitute for taking COMPASS.
3. Students must also submit FBI/BCI background checks. BCI & FBI criminal background checks can be done locally or at the State Fire Marshal's office by appointment. To schedule an appointment at the State Fire Marshal's office, call (614) 752-7196. Depending on location, costs for background checks may vary.

Firefighter Level I Transition

This course will build upon the basic skills taught in the 36-hour Volunteer Firefighter course and completes the NFPA requirements for Ohio certification as a Firefighter 1. This course meets and exceeds the Ohio Revised Code for firefighters and the standards identified in the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standards for Firefighter 1.

Candidates must submit proof of a valid 36-hour Volunteer certification from the ODPS. All participants must provide documentation indicating they meet all prerequisites. Specific requirements and personal protective equipment information can be obtained by contacting the Registrar's office or by emailing webofa@com.state.oh.us. Students must also meet all requirements outlined by OAC4765-20-02.

Interagency Wildfire Refresher

An annual refresher course, the Interagency Wildfire Refresher course is where participants receive updated information and training. They also re-qualify for the physical fitness requirements.

This six-hour course is for Red Card recertification and is equivalent to the National Wildfire Coordination Group course number RT130 utilized for recertification of Wildfire Red Card.

Students must be certified by the National Wildfire Coordination Group to be eligible to take this class.

Pump Operations Fundamentals

This course, developed by the Ohio Fire Academy, was designed to provide the new pump operator or individuals who maintain pumps with an overview of the operation of the pump.

This class covers basic pump principles and plumbing; ratings; problem areas; and practical operations.
Pump Theory and Hydraulics
This classroom session takes the theory of pump operation and creates a practical application for firefighters to calculate simple formulas for proper fire apparatus pump pressures. Once completed, students will be capable of generating safe and effective fire streams for single pumper operations, as well as more complicated multi-unit, supply, relay, and fire attack operations.

The course curriculum covers the relationship between flow and pressure and mathematical hydraulic formulas. This course will study pertinent properties of water, distribution of pressures in dynamic and static systems, friction loss in hoses and pipes, and factors which influence it. Approximation methods for quick calculations are given, as well as the most technical computations. This course will demonstrate the principles to operate fire apparatus and pumps. It includes pump construction, power development and transmission, trouble shooting and producing effective fire streams. Students should have an understanding of basic mathematics and how to operate a pump prior to taking this class.

Structural Fire Attack 101
This program puts students through intense scenario-based live fire training. Students will have the opportunity to experience the Mobile Fire Behavior Lab (flashover unit). Participants will walk away with the hands-on experience needed to create confidence in intense situations. Students utilizing live fire in the mobile behavior lab will practice evolutions involving single and multiple room fires. The purpose is to reinforce the understanding of fire behavior.

Participants must be in good physical condition and bring protective clothing and an SCBA with two full cylinders. Beards are not permitted. Knee pads are strongly recommended. Students are required to wear long-sleeved shirts and pants (high cotton content preferred). Students must hold a minimum of an Ohio 36 hour (Volunteer Firefighter) certification card and meet NFPA 1403 4.3.1 and 4.3.2.2.

Volunteer Firefighter (Weekend)
This course is the state of Ohio basic minimum requirement for a volunteer firefighter. Students obtain entry level knowledge of the fire service in the areas of ladders, ventilation, personal protective equipment, hoses and water movement. Students must submit a letter from the fire chief that testifies that they are covered by insurance and demonstrating they are physically fit to participate in firefighting as per NFPA.

Students must also submit NIMS IS 100 and IS 700 certificates to be accepted into the class. Students must maintain a 70% class average on all tests/practicals/quizzes, meet all state of Ohio objectives to successfully complete the course, and pass the state of Ohio certification test with a minimum score of 70%.

Wildfire, Interagency (S-190/S-130/L-130)
The Ohio Department of Natural Resources developed this course to prepare firefighters to effectively handle wildland fire suppression. Students will complete both classroom and hands-on training. This course meets requirements for a "Red Card" needed for interagency firefighting in accordance with the National Wildfire Coordinating Group. This course is held in two separate formats; a week long class Monday-Friday and a weekend class over three weekends; 2 Saturdays/Sundays and one Saturday. Review course dates prior to registration. Students will review Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior (S190), Wildland Fire Suppression (S130), and Incident Command and Human Factors (L180). This course meets the NFPA 1051, Standard for Wildland Firefighter.

For a "Red Card," students need to take a "pack" test. Dress for the weather on the day of the test (tennis shoes, shorts & T-shirts, sweat shirts & pants are permitted). The last day of class will be conducted outside, dress for the weather. Students must submit NIMS IS 100 and IS 700 certificates to be accepted into the class.
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- **Advanced Emergency Medical Technician**
  Advanced EMT specializes in Shock & Trauma management as well as adding cardiac rhythm interpretation to the provider’s scope of practice. The course covers advanced anatomy and physiology and expands the skill set to include obtaining intravenous access, intra osseous access, intranasal, intramuscular and subcutaneous medication administration, and fluid therapy.
  
  This course is conducted in five weeks and includes hospital and squad clinical time. Several online assignments are to be completed and submitted prior to the first day of on-campus classes. Students who successfully complete the course will be eligible to take the National Registry AEMT exam. Course content includes: Didactic, Lab, Clinical & Field Clinical.

  **Requirements:** See Page 31 for detailed EMT prerequisites.

- **Advanced Emergency Medical Technician Refresher**
  This course is offered for AEMT’s needing to maintain their certification. This refresher course fulfills the requirements for certification renewal and will give participants the most current skills and information needed to perform their duties efficiently. Students will learn not only from traditional classroom lecture but also from scenario based instruction.
  
  This course satisfies 40 of the required 60 hours of continuing education needed to renew an AEMT certification with the State of Ohio. This course meets the requirements of the National Registry transition for NREMT-I to NR-AEMT policy.

- **Emergency Medical Technician**
  This intense course prepares students to the level of Emergency Medical Technician (EMT). This five-week program includes classroom and off site clinical instruction in EMT skills. Several online assignments are to be completed and submitted prior to the first day of on-campus classes.
  
  All participants must have the physical strength necessary to perform the functions of an EMT. This course runs Monday — Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., with some Saturday and evening sessions. Students are required to complete squad and hospital clinical time. Attendance is required for all classroom and clinical sessions.
  
  Students will be eligible for National Registry of Emergency Medical Technician’s (NREMT) certification testing upon successful completion of the EMT course. IFSAC Accreditation will be earned for the Hazardous Materials Awareness Weapons of Mass Destruction portion of this course.

  **Requirements:** See Page 31 for detailed EMT prerequisites.

- **Emergency Medical Technician Refresher**
  This course is offered for EMT’s needing to maintain certification. This refresher course fulfills the requirements for certification renewal and will give participants the most current skills and information needed to perform their duties efficiently.
  
  Students will learn not only from traditional classroom lecture but also from scenario-based instruction. This course meets the requirements of the National Registry transition for NREMT-B to NREMT policy.

  This course also meets remedial training requirements for candidates needing additional attempts to pass the NREMT examination.
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Paramedic Refresher
This course reviews essential components of Ohio-approved curriculum and provides exposure to scientific advances and emergency medical care concepts. The Paramedic Refresher Course consists of 48 classroom hours and will include cognitive and psychomotor testing. The course is divided into the following subject areas: Airway Management and Ventilation, Medicine: Cardiology and Medical Emergencies, Trauma issues, Special Populations: Obstetrics and Gynecology, Pediatrics, and Geriatrics, and EMS Operations. This course meets the requirements of the National Registry transition for NREMT-P to NR-PARAMEDIC policy.

Requirements: See Page 31 for detailed EMT prerequisites.

Emergency Vehicle Operations – EMS

Part B consists of a minimum of eight hours of hands-on driving of emergency apparatus at the Academy’s driver training facility utilizing OFA EMS vehicles.

Mass Casualty Incident (MCI)
This class is designed for all levels of EMS certification. Combining classroom and hands-on practical training, students are taught how to use the S.T.A.R.T. (Simple Triage And Rapid Transport) triage method. This class will help students develop the skills for making a rapid assessment of the patient, determine which category the patient should be in, and visibly identifying the patient for treatment. This class is co-hosted by Port Columbus International Airport Fire & EMS.

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Tactical Emergency Medical Support (TEMS)
Tri-Med Tactical, LLC (TMT) takes great pride in producing the most scientifically, statistically, clinically, and tactically sound medicine available today that exceeds the National TEMS Initiative curriculum. TMT uses concepts from Tactical Emergency Casualty Care (TECC) and Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC) in conjunction with over 200 years of professional experience between the staff, to make sure that the student gets the most realistic and up-to-date training available. The TEMS course is over 60 hours of intense didactic and scenario based training in austere environments. At course conclusion, the student will have a firm understanding of their role in the tactical environment and how to mitigate the most dynamic situations that tactical units face today.

In order to be eligible to participate in this program, the student must be an EMT, EMT-I, EMT-P, RN, NP, PA, and/or MD. Additionally, the applicant must have a letter from a law enforcement agency endorsing the student to participate in the class.
**Advanced Tactical Operation: Medical Specialist (ATOMS)**

ATOMS has been designed to challenge previous graduates of TMT’s TEMS course or a similar approved five-day TEMS course. TMT uses concepts from Tactical Emergency Casualty Care (TECC), Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC), multiple collective military deployments, and over 200 years of combined tactical / medical professional experience, to develop an advanced medical course unlike anything that is currently available to civilian tactical medical providers. The ATOMS course is over 40 hours of intense didactic and scenario based training in some of the most dynamic missions SWAT units face today. At the conclusion of ATOMS, the TEMS provider will have knowledge and confidence in UC rescue, low vis medicine, assaulter defense / hot zone care, clandestine drug lab operations, advanced extraction techniques, man hunting operations, land navigation, extended care operations. This course is available to both basic and advanced tactical medical providers.

**Working K9 Emergency Care – K9 Handler**

This course will provide the working K9 handler with an introduction to caring for their canine in the case of a medical or traumatic emergency. Through a combination of lecture and hands on practice the course covers basic physical exam of the canine, Triage, C.P.R., First Aid, Bleeding Control, and Airway Management.

Topics covered include causes of trauma such as penetrating wounds and blunt trauma, as well as common emergency situations such as heat stroke, poisoning/toxic exposures, choking, and allergic reactions.

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**Detailed requirements for EMT, AEMT and EMR programs**

**Requirements for EMT & AEMT:**

Students wishing to be accepted to the Ohio Fire Academy EMT and AEMT programs must register online & submit copies of the following at least FIVE WEEKS prior to the class start date:

1. Copy of valid driver license.
2. Medical examination - Submit an OFA physical exam form or a form from your doctor.
3. Vaccination records including: (A) Tuberculin skin test (must be not more than one year old). A tuberculin assessment form must be completed if a previous test was positive; (B) If born before 1/1/1957, documentation of measles, mumps and rubella titers showing immunity or if non-immune, two MMR vaccinations. If born after 1/1/1957, documentation of two MMR vaccinations; (C) Documentation that student had chicken pox or varicella titer showing immunity; (D) Documentation of vaccination against hepatitis B, proof of immunity to hepatitis B, or written refusal of hepatitis B vaccination.
4. SAMHSA 5 Drug screening.
5. BCI & FBI criminal background check - this can be done locally or at the State Fire Marshal’s office by appointment. To schedule at the State Fire Marshal’s Office, call (614) 752-7196. Costs may vary. DO NOT submit original documents to the Academy.
6. Documentation of health insurance or workman's compensation.
7. Fulltime firefighter and/or EMTs are exempt from the COMPASS test, all other students must take the COMPASS test prior to registration for the AEMT course. Student will need a score of 88 or higher in reading, 52 or higher in algebra(math section). If you have already taken the SAT or ACT, you may be eligible to utilize your score as a substitute for taking COMPASS.
8. NIMS certificates for IS-100.b & IS-700.a can be completed at [http://training.fema.gov/is/nims.asp](http://training.fema.gov/is/nims.asp).

**NOTE:** EMT certification is required for entrance into the AEMT program.

**Requirements for EMR:**

Students applying to the EMR program must register online and submit copies of the following at least TWO WEEKS prior to the start date:

1. Copy of valid driver license proving you are at least 18 years old.
2. Documentation of health insurance or workman’s compensation.
3. NIMS certificates for IS-100.b & IS-700.a. Complete at [http://training.fema.gov/is/nims.asp](http://training.fema.gov/is/nims.asp)
Development

- **Courage to be Safe®**
  This is a provocative and moving presentation by the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation, through the Everyone Goes Home® Program, that is designed to change the culture of accepting the loss of firefighters as a normal occurrence.

  Building on the untold story of line-of-duty death survivors, it reveals how family members must live with the consequences of a firefighter death. This presentation provides a focus on the need for firefighters and officers to change fundamental attitudes and behaviors in order to prevent line-of-duty deaths. The central theme promotes the courage to do the right thing in order to protect yourself and other firefighters and ensure that "Everyone Goes Home" at the end of the day.

  Firefighters must have the courage to face a multitude of risks in order to save lives and protect their communities. Their courage allows them to willingly risk their own lives so that others can be saved. A different type of courage is required to stay safe in potentially dangerous situations, avoiding needless risks and tragic consequences. This program is a must for all who care, share, and have a feeling for the safety of all firefighters.

- **Decision Making for Initial Company Ops (DMICO)**
  Decision Making for Initial Company Operations is designed to develop the decision making skills needed by Company Officers (CO) to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires. All activities and scenarios used in this course are based on structure fires.

  As a Company Officer with the real possibility of being the first to arrive at an incident, the CO's initial decisions will have an impact throughout the entire incident. It is vital that they be able to make good management decisions that have a favorable impact on the eventual outcome.

  In addition to a possible role as the initial Incident Commander (IC), the CO may well be assigned a subordinate position within the ICS organization. COs need to have a clear understanding of the system, the position they are assigned, and their role in the organization if they are to function effectively and help make the system work.

- **Preparations for Initial Company Operations (PICO)**
  This course is designed to develop a better understanding of responsibilities of Company Officers in preparing their company for incident operations, and to clarify the transition from firefighter to company officer and the new roles relating to leadership and safety.

  This course is for Company Officers, acting Company Officers, or senior firefighters responsible for managing a single fire company at an emergency incident, and for officers responsible for company readiness, personnel safety, and leadership.

- **Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations (STICO)**
  STICO is designed to meet the needs of Company Officers responsible for managing the operations of one or more companies during structural firefighting operations. STICO is designed to develop the management skills needed by company officers to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires.

  Selection Criteria: Senior firefighters who may at times assume the responsibilities of the Company Officer (NFPA 1001, Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, Level II).
EMS Instructor

This course is required for those who want certification in Ohio as an EMS instructor. Students will learn the basic knowledge and skills needed to adapt and deliver instruction effectively from lesson plans. Participants will learn about theories of modern adult education and their applications by using techniques to maximize student learning.

Students will practice teaching skills during in-class project presentations. The course utilizes traditional interactive lecture, case studies, class discussion and student participation in presentations and projects. Students will prepare and deliver a speech, give demonstrations and teach from their own prepared lesson plans. Students can expect evening and weekend assignments and projects.

Students are required to attend all scheduled classes and pass both a written and practical examination to successfully complete this course. To become certified, students must also pass the Division of EMS Instructor Techniques examination and complete student teaching requirements. Course prerequisites are established by the Division of EMS OAC4765-18-03; and OAC 4765-8-01-(A)(3)to (A)(7).

Requirements: See page 40 for specific instructor course prerequisites.

EMS Instructor Module

This EMS Module meets all the objectives set forth by the Division of EMS for fire I & II instructors or fire safety inspector instructors wishing to become EMS instructors. It's also for EMS providers wanting to become assistant EMS instructors. EMS course prerequisites are established by the Division of EMS OAC4765-18-03; and OAC 4765-8-01-(A)(3) to (A)(7).

Requirements: See page 40 for specific instructor course prerequisites.

Fire Instructor I & II

This course is designed for those wanting certification in the state of Ohio as a Fire Instructor. The Ohio Fire Academy's Fire Instructor Certification Course has a reputation of excellence as it is internationally accredited by IFSAC. The course will provide participants with the basic knowledge and skills to adapt and deliver instruction effectively from a lesson plan and maintain the associated records.

The participants will learn theories of modern adult education and their application by using techniques to maximize student learning. Students will practice teaching skills during in-class presentations. The course utilizes traditional interactive lecture, case studies, class discussion and student participation in presentations and projects. Students will prepare and deliver a speech, give demonstrations and teach from their own prepared lesson plans and can expect evening and weekend assignments and projects.

This course complies with NFPA 1041, Standard for Fire Instructor I & II. Students are required to attend all scheduled classes and pass both a written and practical examination to successfully complete this course. For certification, students must pass the Division of EMS Instructor Techniques exam and complete student teaching requirements.

Requirements: See page 40 for specific instructor course prerequisites.

Fire Instructor Module

This Fire Instructor Module is designed for certified EMS or Fire Safety Inspector instructors wanting to transition to certified Fire Instructors. It's also for Firefighters wanting to become assistant Fire Instructors.

The module meets all objectives set forth by the Division of EMS and covers the NFPA Standard on Live Fire Training Evolutions. This course is required by the Division of EMS for EMS or FSI instructors to be certified as fire instructors or assistant instructors.

Requirements: See page 40 for specific instructor course prerequisites.
Fire Instructor Knowledge Exam
This is the knowledge examination required prior to entry into a Fire Instructor training course according to section 4765-21-02 (A) (3) of the Ohio Administrative Code. This is a computer based examination. You must bring the following: 1. Drivers license; 2. Current Fire Certification Card or ODPS Certification Printout. Course Content 2.15 hour computer based examination. Those taking the examination will be tested on their knowledge at the Firefighter II level defined by NFPA Standard 1001. Eight days advance notice is required from your request date. No electronic devices, cellular phones, pagers, etc. are permitted in the testing center.

Fire Officer 1
The Ohio Fire Academy offers the only nationally (NFA) and internationally (IFSAC) accredited Fire Officer I program in Ohio. This course is designed to match NFPA 1021 standards of Fire Officer I. Students learn essential techniques and skills in leadership including time management, delegation and prioritization in both routine and emergency situations. This course is helpful in guiding the firefighter in the transition from peer to officer.

The intensive program includes evening assignments. Course evaluation of student performance will be conducted. This course meets NFPA 1021, Standards of Professional Qualifications for Fire Officer I. Content includes leadership, supervisory and decision making practices, legal responsibilities, communication practices, report writing, workplace safety, quality assurance and pre-incident planning. Students should bring a laptop and provide the book:

Fire Officer Principles and Practice, Student Workbook, Published by Jones and Bartlett in Association with the International Association of Fire Chiefs.

Fire Officer II
This course is for fire officers who provide leadership roles for their departments. The Ohio Fire Academy offers the only National Fire Academy-recognized Fire Officer II program in the state of Ohio.

This course expands on management techniques learned in Fire Officer I and focuses on public education and community relations; budget preparation and budget requests; legal responsibilities; time management; handling conflicts in the fire service; dealing with various media agencies; crew resource management; and emergency operations management.

The course covers all objectives of NFPA 1021, Standard of Professional Qualifications for Fire Officer II.

Fire Safety Inspector Instructor
This course is designed for those wanting to become certified in Ohio as a Fire Safety Inspector Instructor, and provides students with the basic knowledge and skills to adapt and deliver instruction effectively from lesson plans. Participants will learn about theories of modern adult education and their applications by using techniques to maximize student learning. The course utilizes traditional interactive lecture, case studies, class discussion and student participation in presentations and projects. Students will prepare and deliver a speech, give demonstrations and teach from their own prepared lesson plans. Students can expect evening and weekend assignments and projects.

Students are required to attend all scheduled classes and pass both a written and practical exam to successfully complete this course. For certification, students must pass the Division of EMS Instructor Techniques exam and complete student teaching requirements.

Requirements: See page 40 for specific instructor course prerequisites.
### Fire Safety Inspector Instructor Module

This Fire Safety Inspector Instructor module is designed for certified EMS or Fire instructors wanting to transition to be certified Fire Safety Inspector instructors. This module meets all objectives set forth by the Division of EMS and introduces students to the intricacies of teaching the Ohio Fire Code. It covers requirements from the Division of EMS for the instruction of a certified Fire Safety Inspector course. Requirements include: Ohio Revised Code language and an overview of the Ohio Fire and Building Codes. The course is required by the Division of EMS for instructors to be certified as CFSI instructors.

**Requirements:** See page 40 for specific instructor course prerequisites.

### Fire Safety Inspector Instructor Knowledge Exam

This is the knowledge exam required prior to entry into a Fire Inspector Instructor training course as outlined by the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) section 4765.03. This three-hour computer examination is based on the objectives from NFPA Standard 1031 as established by OAC 4764-11-14 (A). This two-part test will include a closed book test based on the IFSTA Fire Inspection and Code Enforcement, 7th Edition textbook and code research using the Ohio Fire Code and the Ohio Building Code. Students are required to bring the 2011 edition of these two code books with them to the testing center. Eight days advance notice is required from your request date. No electronic devices, cellular phones, pagers, etc. are permitted in the testing center.

**Course:** 8008  
**Hours:** 3  
**Fee:** $35  
**Deadline:** Three weeks prior

### Fire and Life Safety Educator I

This course is designed to meet requirements of NFPA 1035, Public Fire and Life Safety Educator Level I. It is for those wanting to prepare and deliver comprehensive community fire and injury prevention programs that eliminate/mitigate situations endangering lives, health, property, or the environment. It gives an overview of the responsibilities of Fire and Life Safety Educator Level I and describes how the position is works in a typical fire department. Students will: demonstrate the ability to coordinate and deliver fire and injury prevention programs; learn to select proper educational materials; present a prepared program for various audiences; demonstrate how to distribute educational information; learn how to cooperate with local media personnel. The course covers fire and life safety educational programs; written report preparation; time management and organizational skills; maintaining work schedules; arranging meetings, presentations, events.

**Course:** 4047  
**Hours:** 24  
**Dates:** April 12 - 14, 2016, Aug. 16 - 18, 2016, Dec. 6 - 8, 2016  
**Fee:** $50  
**Deadline:** Three weeks prior

### Fire and Life Safety Educator II

This course is designed to meet the requirements of NFPA 1035, Public Fire and Life Safety Educator Level II. It details procedures used to establish public fire education and life safety prevention programs based upon local loss and injury data. Students will implement and evaluate programs; prepare a funding proposal; develop educational materials based upon identified local issues; develop a detailed lesson plan; design and present programs to audiences; prepare budget requests; project budget costs as it’s related to fire and injury prevention programs.

**Course:** 4049  
**Hours:** 18  
**Dates:** Feb. 9 - 11, 2016, May 10 - 12, 2016, Nov. 15 - 17, 2016  
**Fee:** $50  
**Deadline:** Three weeks prior

### Fire Photography – Basic

Students in this course will become acquainted with basic knowledge of photography. Included in this will be the various types of cameras available, how they differ and how each can be adapted for fire photography.

Upon completion, participants should be able to understand photography fundamentals for documentation of fire scenes and using digital photography equipment. This course will cover four major topic areas: photography fundamentals, evidence photography, scene documentation and legal issues. Please bring your own camera and accompanying instruction booklet.

**Course:** 5046  
**Hours:** 6  
**Dates:** April 9, 2016, Oct. 5, 2016  
**Fee:** $45  
**Deadline:** Three weeks prior
Health and Safety Officer

Increasing responses to a wide variety of emergency situations have dramatically raised the fire service’s awareness of the need for responder safety programs. The National Fire Academy developed this program to examine the Health Safety Officer’s role in identifying, evaluating and implementing policy and procedures that affect health and safety aspects for emergency responders. Students will be able to identify and analyze aspects that affect emergency responder safety in emergency and non-emergency situations. Participants will review risk analysis; wellness issues; and other occupational safety issues. Those attending this course should have a working knowledge of ICS, applicable NFPA 1500 Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Program, OSHA requirements, 29 CFR 1910 Occupational Safety and Health Standards and recommendations and authority to set policy for the department on such issues.

IFSAC Firefighter I & II Practical Skills

Firefighters certified by the state of Ohio after December 31, 2002 seeking IFSAC Accreditation will need to successfully complete 15 randomly selected practical skills and a series of written tests (Firefighter I, Firefighter II, HAZMAT WMD Awareness and HAZMAT WMD Operations), must provide an approved HazMat Awareness and HazMat Operations certificate or 24 hours training at the Ohio Fire Academy (0036 & 0037). Must register for OFA courses 0047 & 0051. Candidates should bring full gear, SCBA, spare bottle; Testers are welcome to overnight accommodations in the Academy’s Residential Quarters for $30 per night. Upon request, IFSAC Skill Sheets will be made available via email. Registration is limited to five students.

IFSAC Firefighter I & II Written Exam

Firefighters seeking an IFSAC (Firefighter I & II) certification will need to complete this written exam which includes 150 questions pertaining to Firefighting. Candidates will also need to pass the Haz Mat Awareness and Operations written exam. Candidates will be allowed up to three hours to complete the written Firefighter I & II exam, and up to two hours to complete the Haz Mat Awareness and Operations written exams. Candidates will be allowed three attempts to pass each exam with a score of 70%. In addition to the written exam, candidates seeking IFSAC certification will also need to pass a practical skills test.

Instructor Continuing Ed: Introduction to PowerPoint

This course was designed by the Ohio Fire Academy to offer public safety instructors the training they need to effectively develop, modify and present PowerPoint presentations. PowerPoint presentations can be utilized in the fire or EMS classroom, for conducting public safety education presentations or presentations before citizen groups or governmental agencies. Students should bring a laptop with PowerPoint installed.

Instructor Continuing Ed: Lesson Plan Development

Instructors will be responsible for creating lesson plans, to be used by other instructors. They should be written with an emphasis on reinforcing the laws of learning and should also ensure that they address all applicable components of a course and that sufficient practice time is included. This six-hour course, developed by the Ohio Fire Academy, will assist in preparing instructors for these responsibilities.

Instructor Continuing Ed: Principles of Learning

This course was designed by the Ohio Fire Academy to offer public safety instructors the training needed to better themselves as instructors. Effective instructors understand that a variety of strategies and styles are needed to reach a diverse adult audience. The ability to motivate students to be successful in the classroom is key. Understanding the principles of learning and how to use them in lesson plans and preparations are explored during this course.
Ohio Fire Academy

Leadership I for Fire & EMS: Strategies for Company Success

This National Fire Academy course provides Company Officers with the basic leadership skills and tools needed to perform effectively in the fire service environment. The course encompasses techniques and approaches to problem-solving, ways to identify and determine the needs of the Company Officer’s subordinates, methods for running effective meetings in the fire service environment, and various decision making skills for the Company Officer.

The course target audience includes: Line fire officers, unit commanders, program supervisors, fire or rescue personnel due for promotion/appointment to officer rank or supervisory position within six months, training officers, staff, or administrative officers.

Incident Safety Officer

Incidents in recent years increased the need for response to a wide variety of emergency situations and have dramatically raised the fire service’s awareness of the need for responder safety programs. This course was developed by the National Fire Academy to examine the Safety Officer’s role at emergency response situations. There is a specific focus on the operations of the incident command system and the Safety Officer’s responsibilities.

Upon completion of this course, the participant will be able to identify and analyze safety concerns as they relate to all-hazards scene evaluations and communicate recommended solutions to the command authority.

Persons attending this course should have a working knowledge of the incident command system; building construction principles; hazardous materials management; applicable NFPA 1500 Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Program, 2013 Edition, NFPA 1521 Standard for Fire Department Safety Officer, 2008 Edition; and federal regulations, OSHA 29 CFR 1910 Occupational Safety and Health Standards.

I-300 Intermediate ICS: Expanding Incidents (NIMS)

The course is designed to enable personnel to operate efficiently using the Incident Command System (ICS) in supervisory roles on expanding or Type 3 incidents. Topics include ICS fundamentals review, incident event assessment, unified command, incident resource management, planning process, demobilization, transfer of command, and closeout.

The course is part of an established National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) curriculum. The course is designed to be interactive in nature. It contains several exercises designed to facilitate group and class discussion.

I-400 Advanced ICS for Command & General Staff Complex Incidents (NIMS)

I-400 provides training for personnel who are senior level administrators and are expected to perform in a management capacity in a complex incident environment. This course will provide fundamental review for Command and General Staff, major and/or complex incident/event management, area command, and multi-agency coordination.

This course is part of an established National Wildfire Coordinating Group curriculum. The course is interactive and contains exercises designed to facilitate group and class discussion. Target groups include Type 1 and 2 Incident Managers, Agency Administrators, Chief Executive Officers, Area Commanders, and Multi-Agency Coordinators.

Course: 2112  Hours: 14
Dates: April 25 - 26, 2016
Fee: $75
Deadline: Three weeks prior

Course: 2174  Hours: 20
Dates: Oct. 31 - Nov. 2, 2016
Fee: $50
Deadline: Three weeks prior

Course: 2175  Hours: 20
Dates: Nov. 2 - 4, 2016
Fee: $50
Deadline: Three weeks prior

Course: 2188  Hours: 12
Dates: March 7 - 8, 2016
Oct. 4 - 5, 2016
Fee: $50
Deadline: Three weeks prior
LEADERSHIP

■ Leadership II for Fire & EMS: Strategies for Personal Success

This course provides Company Officers with basic leadership skills and tools needed to perform effectively in the fire service atmosphere. The course includes ethics, use and abuse of power at the Company Officer level, creativity in the fire service environment, and management of the various roles of the Company Officer.

Target audiences include: Line fire officers, unit commanders, program supervisors, fire or rescue personnel due for promotion or appointment to officer rank or supervisory position within six months. The course also focuses on training officers, staff, or administrative officers.

■ Leadership III for Fire & EMS: Strategies for Supervisory Success

This course equips Company Officers with basic leadership skills and tools to perform effectively in fire service environment. The course covers when and how to delegate to subordinates, assessing personal leadership styles through situational leadership, disciplining subordinates, and applying coaching/motivating techniques.

Target audiences include: Line fire officers, unit commanders, program supervisors, fire or rescue personnel due for promotion or appointment to officer rank or supervisory position within 6 months. The course also targets training officers, staff, or administrative officers.

■ Leadership, Accountability, Culture and Knowledge (LACK)

Is your department on the path to a Line-of-duty Death (LODD)? This compelling presentation by the National Fallen Firefighter Foundations examines the root causes of line-of-duty deaths and the role of Leadership, Accountability, Culture and Knowledge as it impacts the end result. Many fire departments across the United States, “LACK the Right Stuff” to prevent these departments from being on a path to a line-of-duty death.

Leadership, Accountability, Culture and Knowledge are the elements that need to be addressed and managed in those environments. Through education and training, those departments can improve their survivability by understanding the root causes of firefighter fatalities and tackling these four elements with special emphasis on understanding fire service culture.

■ Leadership So Everyone Goes Home – (LEGH)

The LEGH program conducts four case studies of Line-of-duty Deaths. The course focuses on the need for leadership at every level to prevent deaths and injuries, and how to move from making technical fixes and move toward adaptive change.

The course is being changed to utilize the recently completed Denver video that outlines three fatalities and a near miss that occurred with that department.

■ New Fire Chiefs Symposium

This course was designed by the Ohio Fire Academy for the newly appointed fire chief and includes an overview of the State Fire Marshal’s responsibilities and how SFM can assist new chiefs. Topics include: Fire and EMS training and certification requirements; overview of the SFM office; Volunteer Firefighters Dependents’ Fund; vehicle stickers; fire investigation & reporting; code enforcement inspections; underground storage tanks and the Ohio Fire Academy. Presentations include: Ohio Fire Chiefs Association; Ohio State Firefighters Association; National Fallen Firefighters Foundation.
NFPA 1403 Live Fire Training Instructor

This course is designed to deliver a comprehensive live-fire training program in accordance with NFPA 1402, NFPA 1403, and NFPA 1500. Using lecture and practical teaching techniques, students will apply the above standards to all live fire training. This course will discuss all chapters of NFPA 1403 and NFPA standards; review the required NFPA 1403 positions, safety requirements, check list, SOP’s, inspect the OFA burn building and conduct an evaluation of an acquired structure for NFPA 1403 compliance and review.

The course provides processes to educate students on proper techniques and requirements for live fire training evolutions, ensuring that they are conducted in safe facilities that minimize exposure to health and safety hazards. The course meets Dept. of Public Safety, Division of EMS rule 4765-21-03 (c) of the Ohio Administrative Code requirements.

NFPA 1403 Live Fire Training Awareness

This awareness level course covers all nine chapters of the NFPA 1403, Live Fire Training standard, 2012 Edition. The course goes into detail to describe the requirements set forth in the standard, as well as covering all the permits and paperwork that are required in order to conduct Live Fire Training. This course is a must for any firefighter and/or officer participating in a live fire training evolution.

Requirements for Instructor courses

**Fire Instructor Candidate:** Possess a current firefighter certificate; In the preceding seven years, have at least five years of experience as a certified firefighter; Pass instructor knowledge examination at the firefighter II level; Comply with rule OAC 4765-21-03.

**Assistant Fire Instructor Candidate:** Possess a current firefighter certificate; In the preceding seven years, have at least five years of experience as a certified firefighter; Pass instructor knowledge exam at the firefighter I level; Comply with OAC 4765-21-03.

**Fire Safety Inspector Instructor Candidate:** Possess a current fire safety inspector certificate in good standing; In the preceding seven years, have at least five years of experience as a certified fire safety inspector; Pass instructor knowledge examination at the fire safety inspector level; Comply with rule OAC 4765-21-03.

**EMS Instructor Candidate:** Possess a certificate as an EMR, EMT, AEMT, Paramedic, RN or PA; In the preceding seven years, have at least five years of experience as an EMR, EMT, AEMT, Paramedic, RN or PA; Pass the instructor knowledge exam at the level of certification within last three years, (RN & PA tests at medic level); Pass practical skills exams, administered by the sponsoring institution, at the level of certification within last three years, (RN & PA tests at medic level); Comply with OAC 4765-1 8-05.

**Assistant EMS Instructor Candidate:** Possess a certificate as an EMR, EMT, AEMT, Paramedic, RN or PA; In the preceding five years, have at least three years of experience as an EMR, EMT, AEMT, Paramedic, RN or PA; Pass the instructor knowledge exam at the level of certification within last three years, (RN & PA tests at medic level); Pass practical skills exams, administered by the sponsoring institution, at the level of certification within last three years, (RN & PA tests at medic level); Comply with OAC 4765-1 8-18.

**EMS Instructor Knowledge Examination:** The NREMT provides the assessment examination required for this class. You can find information about the Assessment exam at: www.NREMT.org

**Required Skills for the EMS Instructor Practical Pretest Examination:** The practical pretest examination shall be administered under the control of an accredited institution. Information about the required practical skills can be found at: www.ems.ohio.gov/ems_education.stm under Ohio Fire and EMS Instructor Curriculum.
Let us not forget our fallen brothers or sister and as a tribute to their lives; let us learn from their incident. If we fail to learn from their situation, we are destined to repeat it.

On February 5, 1998, the Crooksville, Ohio, Volunteer Fire Department responded to a structure fire at a single-family dwelling 3 miles from the fire department. When the Engine Company arrived, one firefighter on board reported light smoke showing from the roof. Four firefighters entered the dwelling through the kitchen door and proceeded down the basement stairs to determine the fire's origin. The four firefighters searched the basement, which was filled with a light to moderate smoke. A few minutes later, a fifth firefighter from Rescue joined the group.

After extinguishing a small fire in the ceiling area, one of the firefighters raised a ceiling panel and a back draft occurred in the concealed ceiling space. The pressure and fire from the back draft knocked ceiling tiles onto the firefighters, who became disoriented and lost contact with each other and their hose line.

Two firefighters located on the basement staircase exited the dwelling with assistance from two firefighters who were attempting rescue. One firefighter was rescued through an exterior basement door and the two victims' SCBAs ran out of air while they were trying to escape. Both firefighters died of smoke inhalation and other injuries. Additional rescue attempts were made by other firefighters but failed due to excessive heat and smoke and lack of an established water supply.

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) investigators had many recommendations and one of them was that fire departments should train firefighters in the various essentials of how to operate in smoke-filled environments, basement fire operations, dangers of ceiling collapse, ventilation practices, utilizing a second hose line during fire attack, and identifying pre-back draft, rollover, and flashover conditions.

The essentials of firefighting are numerous and varied, and require initial and refresher training on a monthly, annual, or as needed basis. NFPA 1500 recommends that all personnel who may engage in structural firefighting participate in training at least monthly. Ideally, this monthly training will serve to reinforce safe practices until they become automatic.

The Ohio Fire Academy agrees with the need for a competent and constant training program. We encourage you to read this article to learn from our past and prevent future similar incidents through training that will reinforce safe practices.

The Firefighter Fatality Investigation and Prevention Program is conducted by NIOSH. The purpose of the program is to determine factors that cause or contribute to firefighter deaths suffered in the line of duty. Identification of causal and contributing factors enable researchers and safety specialists to develop strategies for preventing future similar incidents.

Additional copies of this report or other fatality investigation reports can be obtained by visiting the program website.

For additional information, visit:
http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/firehome.html
Prevention

Fire Safety Inspector

This course is designed to meet requirements for Fire Safety Inspector as prescribed by the Ohio Administrative Code 4765-20-03: Qualifications for a fire safety inspector certificate, through the Ohio Department of Public Safety and NFPA 1031. Students learn the skills necessary to conduct fire safety inspections from OFA staff in conjunction with the Code Enforcement Bureau under the State Fire Marshal.

The course meets certification requirements established by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) Fire Inspector I, and Fire Inspector 2. Students will gain an understanding of the fire inspector’s role in code enforcement, general fire prevention practices, fire safety requirements related to hazardous materials, electrical systems, and fire protection systems. Students are required to attend all classes and pass both the written and practical exams to successfully complete the course. For certification, students must also pass the Division of EMS Fire Safety Inspector exam.

Requirements:
1. Students must have state of Ohio Department of Public Safety Firefighter Certification.
2. Completed the National Incident Management System (NIMS) 100 and 700.
3. Employment Verification Letter and Statement of Qualifications forms completed. Selected students will receive forms for Qualifications and Verification statements. Those must be completed, signed by your Fire Chief and returned prior to course start date.

Fire Safety Inspector Continuing Education, Day 1

Fire Safety Inspectors: Refresh and update your knowledge with this four-day continuing education series designed by the Ohio Fire Academy. Day one addresses the following Division of EMS requirements: fire code administration; legal methods of code enforcement; and legal rights of landlords and tenants under federal, state and local laws. This course covers parts 6, 7 and 8 of Ohio Administrative Code 4765-20-16.

Fire Safety Inspector Continuing Education, Day 2

Day Two covers the following Division of EMS requirements: Theory of fire code enforcement; enforcement of fire codes; safe use of maintenance of facilities, buildings and uses subject to state of Ohio fire code; safe handling of materials which pose a fire hazard; and application, installation, use and interpretation of the NFPA standards. It also covers Ohio Fire Code Rules on motor fuel dispensing, flammable/combustible liquids and NFPA standards and covers parts 1, 2, 4, 5 and 9 of Ohio Administrative Code 4765-20-16.

Fire Safety Inspector Continuing Education, Day 3

Day Three concentrates on the following recertification requirements set by the Division of EMS: life safety system of building and uses; use and occupancy classification; and means of egress. This course covers Part 3 of Ohio Administrative Code 4765-20-16, Ohio Building Code Chapter 3 and Ohio Fire Code Rule 10.

Fire Safety Inspector Continuing Education, Day 4

The final day of this course covers the following requirements for recertification set by the Division of EMS: Life safety system of building and uses; safe use and maintenance of facilities, buildings and uses which are subject to the state of Ohio Fire Code; fire protection; special use and occupancy; and building construction. Students will review parts 3 and 4 of Ohio Administrative Code 4765-20-16, Ohio Fire Code Rule 9 and Ohio Building Code Chapters 4 and 6.
Fire Safety for Senior Adults

This course explores concepts and challenges related to teaching fire safety skills to senior adult learners. The course explores common risk factors that affect the safety of the older generation. Effective and challenging messages are identified and discussed to reach the older learners. Participants work in groups to build lesson plans that modify instruction to meet the needs of their learners, and to identify sources for model programs. Participants are encouraged to share their own experiences, best practices and lessons learned. Completing Fire and Life Safety Educator Level I is recommended prior to enrollment.

Fire Safety for Youth

This course is divided into two components: Fire safety education for children preschool through fifth grade, and adolescents sixth grade to high school. The course helps students understand stages of youth learning development and identifies approaches for helping children gain valuable fire safety skills and knowledge. Students will work in groups to build age-appropriate lesson plans. Sources for model programs and safety education resources are discussed. Time is offered to students wanting to share best practices and lessons learned from their own experiences. Completing Fire and Life Safety Educator Level I is recommended prior to enrollment.

Ohio Basic Fire Incident Reporting System (OFIRS)

The goal of this class is to achieve uniformity in reporting. Upon completion, students will understand the benefits of using the Ohio and National Fire Incident Reporting System, explain the need to collect fire data, identify the modules that are included in the system and state the purpose of the complete reference guide. Basic Module: Captures general information on every department responded incident. Fire Module: Describes each fire incident by tracking particular types of fires and items involved. Structure Fire Module: Used with the Fire Module to describe each structure fire event. Civilian Fire Casualty Module: Used to report fire-related injuries/deaths of civilians or other emergency personnel (e.g. police officers, non-fire department/EMS personnel). This module is used in conjunction with the Fire Module and if applicable, the Structure Fire Module. Fire Service Casualty Module: Used to report injuries/deaths of firefighters. The module can also be used to report firefighter exposure to chemicals or biological agents.

Plan Review 101 for Fire Officials

This course is for fire department personnel only. It is designed to meet the needs of the Fire Prevention Officer, combining classroom instruction and a “hands-on” learning approach. It addresses code application during building construction, interpersonal communications, code interpretations, acceptance testing and maintenance of fire protection systems.

The course discusses needs for a plan review, describes the steps of the process, explains general elements of a systematic plans review, discusses site plans, building plans & construction drawings for plan review, determines if plans meet egress code requirements, describes types of fire protection systems, what’s required for a plan review, and determines if system plans are code compliant. Each student will bring the following to class: current Ohio Building Code, current Ohio Fire Code, architect ruler, engineers ruler, pencils, calculator. Course is approved for 24 hours of continuing education for Fire Safety Inspector, OAC 4765-20-16.

Sprinklers: Fundamentals – Sprinklers & Standpipes

This course covers topics such as the history and evolution of sprinklers, requirements for different systems, and hands-on practice with multiple standpipe and sprinkler systems in our sprinkler lab. Participants will become familiar with operations and maintenance procedures of all types of automatic sprinkler and standpipe systems. Course is approved for 12 hours of BBS continuing education credit, BBS 2013-199a and BBS 2013-199b; and 12 hours of continuing education for Fire Safety Inspector, OAC 4765-20-16.
Sprinklers: Design & Install – Sprinklers & Standpipes

This course was developed for fire chiefs, fire inspectors, plan reviewers, building inspectors, and industrial safety and loss control personnel. Upon completion, students will be able to calculate basic water demand for fire protection systems and to analyze, review plans and make improvement recommendations for sprinkler systems, limited-area sprinkler systems and standpipe systems. The course covers: water supply requirements for automatic sprinkler and standpipe systems; design requirements for sprinklers; practical exercises on water supply calculations and basic system demand for varying types of sprinkler systems; an introduction to plan review; approval standards for sprinkler systems. Students must bring a calculator with square root capability, a straight edge and the NFPA 13 standard. Successful completion gains 12 hours of continuing education credit for BBS 2013-200a and BBS 2013-200b and Fire Safety Inspector, OAC 4765-20-16.

Course: 3069 Hours: 12
Dates: April 25 - 26, 2016
Nov. 21 - 22, 2016
Fee: $50
Deadline: Three weeks prior

Underground Storage Tanks: Inspector

This course prepares students to perform Underground Storage Tank (UST) inspections. With emphasis on general practices and rules governing work activities, the course leads the new inspector through installation, removal, abandonment in place and major repairs of UST systems. The emphasis of this program is on how to inspect UST sites. Course content includes BUSTR and OSHA regulations, field inspection reports, permit application & review procedures, and operational compliance monitoring. Course addresses UST requirements found in R.C. 3737.881; OAC 1301:7-9; API-1604; API-1615; PEI-RP-100; PEI-RP-1000 and NFPA-407. An exam fee of $25 is required, payable to Treasurer, state of Ohio, on the first day of class. This fee is not included with enrollment.

Course: 3048 Hours: 30
Fee: $100
Deadline: Three weeks prior

Underground Storage Tank: Installer

This course prepares students to perform Underground Storage Tank (UST) installations. It covers general practice and rules governing work activities as related to the installation, removal, abandonment in place, major repairs and testing of UST systems. It also includes BUSTR regulations, delegated authority, enforcement, API standards, compliance checks, OSHA safety and health, confined space entry, safety manuals, MSDS sheets, record keeping, tank upgrades, unattended sites, catholic protection, testing and backfill techniques. Requirements found in R.C. 3737.881; OAC 1301:7-9; API-1604; API-1615; PEI-RP-100; PEI-RP-1000 and NFPA-407 addressed. This course is a prerequisite for the UST Inspector course and is designed specifically for Certified Fire Safety Inspectors planning to become UST Inspectors. Anyone wishing to become Certified UST Installer must seek training through a private course sponsor. For more information, contact BUSTR at 800-686-2878.

Course: 3049 Hours: 36
Fee: $100
Deadline: Three weeks prior

Youth Firesetter Intervention Level I

This course was designed by the Fire Prevention Bureau and introduces the concepts of NFPA 1035 Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Specialist I. The class is for those assigned to fire and life safety education duties and other professionals having youth firesetter responsibilities. Through group activities, students will learn if the child’s fire setting behavior can be treated through fire safety education, or if it is a symptom of problems requiring a referral program. Characteristics of fire setting behavior for age groups 4-7, 8-11, and 12-14 are covered in this course. Interviewing techniques to classify fire setting behavior and methods of establishing a community fire setter’s referral program are also discussed.

Course: 4122 Hours: 12
Dates: June 1 - 2, 2016
Aug. 31 - Sept. 1, 2016
Nov. 2 - 3, 2016
Fee: $50
Deadline: Three weeks prior

Youth Firesetter Intervention Level II

Designed by the Fire Prevention Bureau, the course introduces concepts of NFPA 1035 Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Specialist II, and is for those who manage, develop, supervise, evaluate and coordinate youth firesetter intervention programs. It’s for fire service, mental health, hospital, law enforcement and juvenile justice members. Students work in groups solving scenario-based activities that build skills in creating goals, developing coalitions, managing programs, marketing initiatives, and analyzing data. For more information, contact Frank Conway, Chief, Fire Prevention at: (614) 752-7103.

Course: 4123 Hours: 12
Dates: To be announced
Fee: TBA
Deadline: Three weeks prior
Rescue / Hazmat

**Confined Space Rescue Level I & Level II**

This three-day course combines the knowledge, skills, and abilities for both Level I and Level II of Confined Space rescue. Beginning with atmospheric monitoring and basic equipment overview, and progressing through to execution of a confined space rescue with the aid of a complete pre-plan, the student shall cover all articles within NFPA 1006, Chapter 7.

Rescuer care, air monitoring, patient packaging within the confined space environment, and development of a confined space pre-plan are covered.

Students will gain access through openings as small as 16 inches in diameter. Personal protective equipment needed includes: helmet (rescue style preferred), eye protection, gloves (rescue or work style preferred), work boots, flashlight or helmet light, knee pads and elbow pads and clothing adequate for conditions both outside and inside. Firefighting turnout gear is discouraged. Personal harness or other personal rescue equipment may be approved by the instructor.

**Requirements:**
Student must have successfully completed Rope I, be in good physical condition and be comfortable in confined spaces.

**Farm Rescue**

This is an essential course for any member of the emergency rescue service in or aiding rural areas. Rural emergency personnel should be prepared for a variety of agricultural emergencies.

These include tractor overturns, machinery entanglements, grain bin entrapments, exposure to toxic gases, injuries involving agricultural chemicals or pesticides and incidents concerning farm animals.

This course will give participants the opportunity to apply these techniques in hands-on exercises.

**HazMat Awareness/Operations/Mission Specific**

Are you a training officer, fire instructor, newly promoted officer, or someone who realizes hazmat is a critical part of their job? Though we rarely do it, this course is for you.

Awareness and Operations training delivered through a train the trainer style with emphasis on how to deliver mission specific competencies which are becoming critical in today’s hazardous materials world are the foundation of this course.

Using the most recent information available, the Ohio Fire Academy has put together this training series to benefit those in emergency services who know the hazardous materials world.

Those who enroll in this three-day course will be brought up to date on current Hazardous Materials practices along with being introduced to new ideas and techniques in the hazmat world. Attendants will also gain the credentials to take this information back to your station and deliver it to your department giving your crew the opportunity to receive Ohio fire Academy Certification on hazardous materials.

The Mission Specific portion shall focus on guiding the attendants through how to develop these competencies specifically for their departments and even their brothers and sisters in Law Enforcement.
**HazMat / WMD Technician**

This course is approved by the Federal Office of Domestic Preparedness. Upon completion, participants will be prepared to enter hazardous materials hot zones to control spills and leaks using offensive measures designed to protect property and the environment.

Students will have the opportunity to practice material learned in the classroom through hands-on exercises. The course also prepares students to recognize, respond and terminate a weapon of mass destruction event.

The course conforms to all competencies for OSHA 29 CFR 1910.120 HAZWOPER as well as NFPA 472 chapter 7 competencies for Hazardous Materials Technicians.

Students learn the use of ICS, CBRNE, prevention and deterrence, clothing protection, basic chemistry, air monitoring instruments, control containment and confinement techniques, and terrorism threat assessment.

Students are expected to wear SCBA for extended periods during the training process and should bring a set of structural turnouts and an SCBA with a spare cylinder with them if available.

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**Hazardous Materials Officer / HazMat Safety Officer**


This course provides the students with the necessary skills, knowledge and tools to perform both the Hazardous Materials Officer and Hazardous Materials Safety Officer functions within the incident command system at a Hazardous Materials/WMD incident.

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**Modern Vehicle Technology**

This course offers a basic review of the construction of various hybrid vehicles and new vehicle construction practices designed to keep the vehicle occupants safe. This course is designed so that members of the emergency services community are prepared to respond to incidents involving many types of modern vehicle designs while keeping themselves safe.

Training includes descriptions and graphics of the latest new vehicle construction technology, metals and metal combinations, hybrid designs, and updated extrication techniques.

Upon successful completion, firefighters will be equipped with the latest techniques to speed up the extrication of victims of serious accidents involving the safest, five-star crash-rated vehicles and alternative power sources.

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**Rope Rescue Level I**

This course is designed so personnel can become familiar with basic rope rescue techniques. The course will consist of material covered in NFPA 1006 Standard for Technical Rescuer, Chapter 6 and the operations level of the NFPA 1670 Standard on Operations and Training for Technical Search and Rescue Incidents.

Rigging, critical angle, mechanical advantage systems, repelling, self-rescue techniques, lowering systems and low angle techniques will be presented & practiced.

Students must be in good physical condition. Personal protective equipment including helmet (rescue style preferred), work boots, rescue or work gloves and eye protection are necessary. Clothing should be appropriate for outdoor evolutions regardless of weather conditions. Personal harness or other equipment may be approved by the instructor.
Rope Rescue Level II
Rope Rescue is an essential skill needed by any member in the emergency rescue service. This course is for those who have completed basic Rope Rescue. The advanced course focuses on litter rigging, high-line applications and leadership on the rescue scene. Students will apply tactics to real life scenarios and have the opportunity to practice at various sites throughout central Ohio. This class covers NFPA 1006 and the Technician Level of NFPA 1670.

For hands-on practical application, the following personal protective equipment is necessary: helmet (rescue style preferred), work boots, gloves (rescue style preferred). Clothing should be appropriate for outdoor evolutions regardless of weather conditions. Personal harness or other personal equipment may be approved by the instructor.

Swift Water Rescue - Level I
This course meets the standards for NFPA 1670 as an operations-trained responder for swift water rescue. Students learn material through classroom lecture and hands-on applications. Remote or indirect rescues will be stressed and boat handling skills will be presented. Hands-on applications will be conducted at regional locations.

A swimming test will demonstrate the student's ability to swim a minimum of 250 yards in any stroke, perform a surface dive for a submerged object and tread in water for five minutes. Swimwear is required for pool sessions of the course. Outdoor sessions will require adequate clothing for in-water exposure. Personal protective clothing and equipment may be utilized with the approval of the instructor. Gloves for use in the water, a water rescue helmet or helmet of similar flow through design is recommended.

Swift Water Rescue - Level II
This course meets standards for NFPA 1006 & 1670 as a technician trained responder for swift/surface water rescue. Students will learn material through lecture and hands-on applications. Entry, direct rescues and boat handling skills will be practiced and several scenarios will be performed. Team leadership, planning for difficult scenarios, and problem prevention and resolution will be presented.

A swimming test will be included. Students must have the ability to swim 500 yards non-stop, tread water for 15 minutes (2 minutes with hands out of water), 800-yard swim non-stop, and 100-yard non-stop rescue tow. These swim skills are timed and an adequate score must be obtained. Topics include: river reading & tactics; river hazards; boat-assisted rescues; boat-based rescues; go rescues; rope skills & systems; Jon boat handling and inflatables; two-boat tether; river running; and physical/go rescues. Various scenarios will be utilized. Outdoor sessions will require adequate clothing for in-water exposure and/or near water exposure. Further details will be provided during the introduction of the class. Personal protective clothing and equipment may be utilized with the approval of the instructor. Gloves for use in the water, a water rescue helmet or helmet of similar flow through design is recommended. Adequate oversized boots (preferred) or sneakers to wear over the dry suit are required.

Trench Rescue Level I & Level II
This course combines all the components of Chapter 8, Trench Rescue of NFPA 1006 including both Trench I and Trench II training to deliver a complete Trench Rescue Course. Students will be exposed to the basics of Trench Rescue and perform Level II (Technician) requirements. Students will begin with the concrete Trench Training Prop and finish with multiple live trench scenarios.

Students learn various shoring techniques, assorted trench layouts, hazard control scenarios, scene management, rescue vs. recovery operation, and termination procedures of a trench incident.

Students must be in good physical condition. Safety glasses, safety helmet (rescue style preferred), work style boots and rescue or work style gloves are necessary. Clothing should be appropriate for outdoor evolutions regardless of weather conditions.
Vehicle & Machinery Rescue Level I & Level II

This course covers all aspects of both Vehicle Extrication and Machinery Extrication listed in chapters 10 and 19 of NFPA 1006. Students will be introduced to many different aspects covering vehicle and machinery design, access, and disentanglement of victims while developing a planned response all the way through termination of the event. Equipment stabilization and energy isolation play a large part in vehicle and machinery events, and will be covered in this class.

Students will have access to multiple passenger vehicles, small machinery, large vehicles and machinery. Resources are added and updated constantly so final scenarios will not be finalized until the first day of class. With some of the best instructors in the country, students are sure to gain valuable knowledge and experience to be used in the real world and shared among their departments and peers.

Participants will need to bring PPE (SCBA not required). Appropriate sight and hearing protection is suggested. Gloves may be fire service design, but extrication or other cut resistant safety gloves are recommended. Clothing should be appropriate for outdoor evolutions regardless of weather conditions.

FIRE PREVENTION TIPS:

Is data collection important to fire & life safety education needs?

R. Wayne Powell, a former USFA and 30-year federal employee had a vision for fire prevention and safety that led to the creation of PARADE (Prevention, Advocacy, Resources, and Data Exchange). This vision led to the creation of a conference that brings leaders and visionaries together to network, build ideas and implement effective programs to be shared throughout each state and municipality in the U.S.

Powell said, "No data; no problem. Know data; know problem." In essence, without good data, your programs are likely to have an unstable foundation. It is difficult to build vision and mission – and have community leader support – when you can't show the reason for your fire safety initiatives. On the tail-end of a program, measuring its worth through effective impact and outcome evaluation shows that your efforts toward reaching your mission and vision are working.

Every fire department in Ohio is responsible to collect and report fire data to the state (OAC 1301:7-7-01(D)(6)(c)(i). This data is not stored with no further action. It is used to determine areas of high-risk throughout the state. It is used to form targeted fire safety education initiatives. It can and should be used by your agency to identify areas of concern where focused efforts can be implemented to reduce loss of life and property.

Some challenges are realized when proper data is not submitted to the State Fire Marshal. The Fire Prevention Bureau offers two courses to help your agency become better at collecting and reporting your fire responses:

Ohio Basic Fire Incident Reporting System (OFIRS) Basic – This six-hour class helps both those new to fire reporting and those hoping to improve their skills to understand:

- The need for collecting data
- How to identify modules included in the OFIRS system
- Common mistakes in reporting and how to avoid them
- The purpose of the complete reference guide
- How to properly submit reports to Fire Prevention Bureau

Additionally, the course helps the student understand their role in providing quality data so that their agency can move forward to meet its mission for reducing incidents where life is lost or property damaged.

Ohio Basic Fire Incident Reporting System (OFIRS) Refresher – this two-hour delivery provides the more experienced fire department member with updates to the reporting system, best practices, and how to overcome common mistakes seen in fire reporting. Methods for submitting reports properly are also addressed.

Community Risk Reduction

Vision 20/20, a project funded by an AFG Fire Prevention and Safety Grant to the Institution of Fire Engineers, has worked toward implementing Community Risk Reduction (CRR) programs to demonstrate their application in the United States. Modeled on the highly successful programs used in the United Kingdom and Australia, the concepts of CRR have been implemented in a number of communities including Dallas, Texas; Tucson, Arizona; Portland, Oregon; Madison, Wisconsin; Vancouver, Washington; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and others.

More than a smoke alarm installation program, Community Risk Reduction can lead to fewer fatalities, safer communities, and reduced firefighter injuries in your community.

Contact the Prevention Bureau to find out how to establish a CRR initiative with your agency.
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Industrial Services

Ohio Fire Academy builds customized courses around your company’s needs

From basic fire brigade training to more advanced education in high intensity live fire situations, the Ohio Fire Academy (OFA) can customize and build courses to suit you. Course length can range from six to 40 hours.

The Ohio Fire Academy has developed these courses to help industry comply with the National Fire Protection Association’s (NFPA) standards 600 and 1081 and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements. These regulations and standards detail the requirements for an industrial fire brigade and their members.

Each industry has their own level of training and requirements that they set in-house. By making each class customized, the OFA can assist in completion of the requirements set by the NFPA and OSHA. Classes will vary depending on the level of training required. We can develop any type of training program that will meet your goals.

- **Industrial Fire Brigade Series**
  The Industrial Fire Brigade Series at the Ohio Fire Academy offers a wide variety of courses that are custom designed to meet the needs of your company. All of our Fire Brigade classes comply with the NFPA 600 Standard on Industrial Fire Brigades, 2010 Edition and OSHA regulation 29CFR1910.156 for Fire Brigades. Additionally, all live fire training will conform to and meet the NFPA 1403 Live Fire Training standard.

  These courses range from six (6) hours, eight (8) hours, twenty (20) hours, and forty (40) hour classes, and can include basic Fire Brigade training, Hazardous Material Refresher, First Aid, and Live Fire Training. Live Fire Training can utilize any number of our training facilities including: Extinguisher Pit, 2400 square foot Flammable Liquid Pit, Vehicle Fire Prop, LPG Tank Prop, Elevated Industrial Pipe Flange Fire Prop, Industrial Barrel Rack Fire Prop, and Class A, Interior Firefighting in our three-story High Intensity Burn Building.

  Special note: Course numbers vary according to level of instruction. Contact Registrar for courses 1079, 1080, 1082, 1083, 1084, 1085, 1087.

- **LPG & Flammable/Combustible Liquid Fires**
  In this course, students will be introduced to the attacks and procedures required to safely control and extinguish flammable fuel fires, properties and behavior of flammable liquids in bulk, fire extinguishing agents, safety, tactics, communications and environmental concerns.

  Participants will also learn the hazards associated with liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) and basic tactics for LPG emergencies.
Close to Home

Our Academy Close to Home series brings the training to you with the same expert instructors and the OFA's extensive compliment of apparatus, equipment and training simulators. In order to better manage your time and resources, you can select from a wide range of courses to be taught at a more desirable location and time (daytime, evenings and/or weekends) near you. The Academy Close to Home series has three different delivery types: Direct, Regional and Custom. Simply choose the delivery type and topics that best suits your needs and the Academy will do the rest. Ask us about our custom course services!

Direct Delivery:
Individual courses offered at the department's location of choice and at times selected by the department. The Academy has a list of designated Direct Delivery courses that departments can select from. These courses range from the Understanding Fire Behavior course (flashover trailer) to HazMat awareness. The Academy has designated instructors around the state ready to provide these courses to your department.

Regional Delivery:
Courses offered as an individual course or groups of courses (mini fire schools) that will be made available to multiple departments in a region. If these courses are offered to firefighters from three or more departments, or there are 50 or more firefighters attending, your offering will meet the requirements for a Regional Delivery and the Academy will provide the course(s) at no cost. The Regional Delivery application must be submitted and approved prior to offering.

Custom Delivery:
Do you need a specific type of training for your department? Maybe there is a hazard in your coverage area that your department needs to know how to deal with or you need a more advanced course for an area your department is already proficient in. Look no further than Custom Delivery! OFA can put together a custom course that will meet your department's needs. No matter the subject, the Academy can provide high quality training at a time and location that is convenient for you.

Aerial Ladder Operation
This six-hour class will demonstrate the safe and proper use of aerial apparatus with field evolutions. The class is designed for small to medium size departments that respond with engine and/or ladder companies. This class will stress safe operations of aerial devices while using them to their full potential. Students must be certified as a firefighter in Ohio.

Auto Extrication
This intensive course was developed by the Ohio Fire Academy and is a must take class for all rescue personnel. Extrication of victims from vehicle accidents is the type of rescue work most frequently performed today.

The skills and techniques used to extricate victims from motor vehicles should be acquired by all rescue personnel. These skills are used in both industrial and farm operations.

The course follows auto extrication training standards set forth in NFPA 1600, Professional Qualifications for Technical Rescuer.

Participants should bring PPE (SCBA not required). Appropriate sight and hearing protection is suggested. Gloves may be fire service design but extrication or other cut resistant safety gloves are recommended. Clothing should be appropriate for outdoor evolutions regardless of weather.

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Building Construction for the Fire Service
This course covers a variety of both modern and older construction features that firefighters will encounter during fire incidents. The course will also review several hazards encountered by the fire service such as lightening protection and flexible gas piping. This course is a must for both the veteran and newer firefighter.

Building Construction for Fire Suppression
This course was developed by the National Fire Academy to provide an introduction to basic construction principles. The primary emphasis is on improving the firefighter’s ability to ensure safety by recognizing common causes, indicators of failure or other factors related to building construction. An understanding of the course material will improve the fire officer’s operational effectiveness.

Chlorine Emergencies
This six-hour course was developed by the Ohio Fire Academy and offers students information on handling various chlorine emergencies. Topics covered include: chlorine and its properties; leak control (hands-on with simulated leaks, both A, B & C kits); PPE; and risk assessment.

Class “A” Foam Awareness Application
The majority of alarms that departments respond to are Class “A” fueled fires. The benefits of adopting class “A” foam include increased fire safety, increased fire operation efficiency and reduced property damage. This course explains the capabilities of foam solution for both wild land and structural fire suppression. It will review the potential of foam solutions for fire suppression, foam mix and application ratios, and equipment types. Exercises include the use of the Academy’s CAF’s engine. Students must bring protective clothing for outside burns.

Confined Space
Coming in the spring of 2016, OFA’s Mobile Confined Space Training Trailer will be available and can be tailored just for you based on your departments SOP’s and equipment. OFA will bring its Confined Space equipment cache, but departments can also supply their own. Students are required to have helmet, eye and ear protection, gloves, work boots, flashlight or helmet light, knee pads and elbow pads (recommended) and clothing appropriate for all weather conditions.

Decision Making for Initial Company Operations (DMICO)
This course is designed to develop decision making skills needed by Company Officers (COs) to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires. All activities and scenarios used in this course are based on structure fires. The CO’s initial decisions will have an impact throughout the entire incident. It is vital that they be able to make good management decisions that have a favorable impact on the eventual outcome. In addition to a possible role as the initial Incident Commander (IC), the CO may be assigned a subordinate position within the ICS organization. COs need to have a clear understanding of the system, the position they are assigned, and their role in the organization if they are to function effectively and help make the system work.

Emergency Vehicle Operations – EMS
This course includes classroom instruction covering: Legal aspects of emergency vehicle operation, operator’s responsibility, vehicle inspection & maintenance, operation of emergency vehicles, Ohio Revised Code 4511, selecting routes, seat belts, lights, sirens, rural, urban and expressway operations, intersections, traffic signals, stop signs, results of high speeds, parking, passing, and handling unusual situations. It also includes eight hours of hands-on driving of emergency apparatus at our driver training facility.
Emergency Vehicle Operations – EMS Refresher
This Emergency Vehicle Operations Refresher course consists of classroom instructions and covers the following topics: Legal aspects of emergency vehicle operation, operator’s responsibility: vehicle inspection & maintenance, operation of emergency vehicles, selecting routes, seat belts, lights and sirens, rural, urban and expressway operations, intersections, traffic signals and stop signs, results of high speeds, parking and passing, and handling unusual situations.

Emergency Vehicle Operations — Fire
This 16-hour Emergency Vehicle Operations course consists of two parts: Part A has eight hours of classroom instruction covering the following topics: legal aspects of emergency vehicle operation, operator’s responsibility: vehicle inspection and maintenance, operation of emergency vehicles, Ohio Revised Code 4511, selecting routes, seat belts, lights and sirens, rural, urban and expressway operations, intersections, traffic signals and stop signs, results of high speeds, parking and passing, handling unusual situations, and NFPA Standard on fire apparatus driver/operator professional qualifications, 2003 Edition.

Part B consists of a minimum of eight hours of hands-on driving of emergency apparatus at the Academy’s driver training facility utilizing OFA fire apparatus. When course is delivered at the OFA. When this course is delivered to an outside agency, it is the Chief’s responsibility to complete Part B within 180 days of the completion of Part A.

Emergency Vehicle Operation — Fire Apparatus Refresher
This Emergency Vehicle Operations Refresher course consists of classroom instructions and covers the following topics: legal aspects of emergency vehicle operation, operator’s responsibility: vehicle inspection & maintenance, operation of emergency vehicles, selecting routes, seat belts, lights and sirens, rural, urban and expressway operations, intersections, traffic signals and stop signs, results of high speeds, parking and passing, and handling unusual situations.

Farm Rescue
This is an essential course for any member of the emergency rescue service in or aiding rural areas. Rural emergency personnel should be prepared for a variety of agricultural emergencies such as tractor overturns, machinery entanglements, grain bin entrapments, exposure to toxic gases, injuries involving agricultural chemicals or pesticides and incidents concerning farm animals. This course will give participants the opportunity to apply these techniques in hands-on exercises.

Firefighter Cancer Support Network (FCSN)
Cancer has become the most dangerous threat to the health and safety of America’s firefighters. Multiple studies, including the USFA/NIOSH cancer study released in 2013, have repeatedly illustrated higher rates of multiple types of cancers in firefighters compared to the general American population.

The nonprofit Firefighter Cancer Support Network’s (FCSN) objective is to provide timely assistance to all fire and EMS personnel and their family members who have been diagnosed with cancer. FCSN also develops and delivers cancer awareness and prevention programs nationwide.

FCSN’s key supporters include the International Association of Fire Fighters, the International Association of Fire Chiefs, the National Volunteer Fire Council, and the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation.
**Fundamentals of Wildland Firefighting**

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources designed this course to address the changing role and training needs of the local, rural and volunteer fire departments. This training prepares firefighters to handle Wildland fire suppression quickly and efficiently through the use of appropriate equipment, protective gear and interagency efforts.

**Fundamentals of Pump Operations**

This course was developed by the Ohio Fire Academy to provide the new pump operator or individuals who maintain pumps with an overview of the operation of the pump. This class covers pump principles and plumbing; ratings; problem areas; and practical operations.

**Grain Bin Rescue Level I**

Students completing this one day Grain Bin Rescue Level I course will gain the knowledge to safely evaluate the hazards associated with grain bins and successfully extricate a trapped victim or victims. The course is a combination of classroom and hands-on learning.

In the hands-on portion of the class, students will utilize the Ohio Fire Academy's Grain Bin Rescue Trailer, review safety equipment, victim removal procedures and practices, and conduct hands-on rescues from both a grain bin and gravity wagon. Grain bin rescues are not well suited for traditional turnout gear.

We recommend all participants wear the following PPE: helmet rescue or firefighter style with chin strap; hard sole work boots that lace up (slip on boots and tennis shoes fill up with corn and pull off); coveralls/duty uniforms or blue jeans (shorts are not permitted); N95 approved dust mask, gloves, goggles, and hearing protection. This course reviews agricultural equipment injuries and emergencies; farm chemical exposures, fires and spills; and challenges that responders face when confronting farm emergencies.

**HazMat & WMD Awareness**

This course was developed by the Ohio Homeland Security Task Force, sub-committee for training and approved by the Office of Domestic Preparedness (ODP). This course is designed to meet NFPA, OSHA, EPA and ODP standards/guidelines, and the needs of multiple disciplines (Fire, Law Enforcement, EMS, Healthcare Providers, and Public Works) that may be involved with incidents involving hazardous materials or weapons of mass destruction.

Content includes: Hazard recognition & identification; risk assessment; scene security/control; Emergency Response Guidebook (ERG); hazard notification & communication.

**HazMat & WMD Operations**

This course has been approved by the Ohio Homeland Security Task Force and the Federal Office of Domestic Preparedness (ODP). It is designed to build on the training and knowledge obtained from participating in the HM & WMD Awareness course and is for students requiring both Hazardous Materials and Weapons of Mass Destruction Operational training.

Module 1 addresses standards established in NFPA 472 Chapter 5 “Competencies for the First Responder at the Operational Level” and meets all competencies as established by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA 29 CFR 1910.120) and the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA 40 CFR part 311).

Module 2 addresses the Performance Level A (Defensive) guidelines for Law Enforcement, Fire Service, Emergency Medical Services and Public Works as found in the Emergency Responder Guidelines, published by the Office of Domestic Preparedness (ODP).

**Requirements:**

HAZ.MAT./WMD AWARENESS NFPA 472 2002 EDITION
HazMat/WMD Technician

This course is approved by the Federal Office of Domestic Preparedness. Upon completion, participants will be prepared to enter hazardous materials hot zones to control spills and leaks using offensive measures designed to protect property and the environment. Students will have the opportunity to practice material learned in the classroom through hands-on exercises. The course also prepares students to recognize, respond and terminate a weapon of mass destruction event.

This course conforms to all competencies for OSHA 29 CFR 1910.120 HAZWOPER as well as NFPA 472 chapter 1 competencies for Hazardous Materials Technicians. Students will learn the use of ICS, CBRNE, prevention and deterrence, clothing protection, basic chemistry, air monitoring instruments, control containment and confinement techniques, and terrorism threat assessment.

Requirements:

Participants are expected to wear SCBA for extended periods during the training process. Participants should bring a set of structural turnouts and an SCBA with a spare cylinder with them if available.

HAZ.MAT./WMD AWARENESS NFPA 472 2002 EDITION
HAZ.MAT./WMD OPERATIONS NFPA 472 2002 EDITION

Hybrid Vehicle Rescue Awareness

This course offers a basic review of the construction of various hybrid vehicles and responder safety considerations associated with them. This course is designed so that members of the emergency services community are prepared to respond to incidents involving hybrid vehicles in a safe and effective manner.

Incident Safety Officer

Incidents in recent years increased the need for response to a wide variety of emergency situations and have dramatically raised the fire service’s awareness of the need for responder safety programs. This course was developed by the National Fire Academy to examine the Safety Officer’s role at emergency response situations. There is a specific focus on the operations of the incident command system and the Safety Officer’s responsibilities.

Upon completion of this course, the participant will be able to identify and analyze safety concerns as they relate to all-hazards scene evaluations and communicate recommended solutions to the command authority.

Persons attending this course should have a working knowledge of the incident command system; building construction principles; hazardous materials management; applicable NFPA 1500 Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Program, 2013 Edition, NFPA 1521 Standard for Fire Department Safety Officer, 2008 Edition; and federal regulations, OSHA 29 CFR 1910 Occupational Safety and Health Standards.

Leadership I for Fire & EMS: Strategies for Company Success

This two-day National Fire Academy course provides Company Officers with the basic leadership skills and tools needed to perform effectively in the fire service environment.

The course encompasses techniques and approaches to problem-solving, ways to identify and determine the needs of the Company Officer’s subordinates, methods for running effective meetings in the fire service environment, and various decision making skills for the Company Officer.

The course target audience includes: line fire officers, unit commanders, program supervisors, fire or rescue personnel due for promotion/appointment to officer rank or supervisory position within six months, training officers, staff, or administrative officers.
Leadership II for Fire and EMS: Strategies for Personal Success
This two-day course provides company officers with basic leadership skills and tools needed to perform effectively in the fire service atmosphere. The course includes ethics, use and abuse of power at the Company Officer level, creativity in the fire service environment, and management of the various roles of the Company Officer.

Target audiences include: line of fire officers, unit commanders, program supervisors, fire or rescue personnel due for promotion or appointment to officer rank or supervisory position within six months. The course also focuses on training officers, staff, or administrative officers.

Leadership III for Fire and EMS: Strategies for Supervisory Success
The course provides the company officer with the basic leadership skills to perform effectively in the fire service environment. The course covers when and how to delegate to subordinates, assessing personal leadership styles through situational leadership, disciplining subordinates, and applying coaching and motivating techniques.

Target audiences include: line of fire officers, unit commanders, program supervisors, fire/rescue personnel due for promotion/appointment to officer rank or supervisory position within six months, and fire/rescue service training officers, staff, or administration.

Leadership So Everyone Goes Home – (LEGH)
The LEGH program conducts four case studies of Line-of-duty Deaths. The course focuses on the need for leadership at every level to prevent deaths and injuries, and how to move from making technical fixes toward adaptive change. The course is being changed to utilize the recently completed Denver video that outlines three fatalities and a near miss that occurred in that department.

Managing MAYDAY calls (Rapid Intervention Strategies)
This class is designed to improve Rapid Intervention Crew (RIC) operations on the fire ground and manage the “MAYDAY” call. Through NIOSH studies and intense fire video scenarios, participants will learn how to recognize and manage fire ground safety issues to make the scene safer for all crews. This class meets requirements from NFPA 1407, Standard for Training Fire Service Rapid Intervention Crews.

Mobile Search & Rescue Training Lab: Basic
This course reviews basic search and rescue techniques through a series of dynamic training evolutions. The Ohio Fire Academy will provide the instructors and the Mobile Search & Rescue Training Lab for this training at your location. The unique design is a combination of a residential dwelling and a confidence maze that offers a quality learning experience for firefighters with limited experience to your more seasoned veteran. This option provides a cost effective means of receiving high quality training at your department from senior Academy instructors.

Mobile Search & Rescue Training Lab: Advanced
The advanced course reviews core job performance requirements for firefighters and expands on them by adding advanced techniques like vent, enter and search. The Mobile Search & Rescue Training Lab is an exceptional mobile training tool - its unique design is a combination of a residential dwelling and confidence maze offering quality learning experiences. Instruction for both new recruits and seasoned veterans will be met with this unit. Topics: fundamentals of search safety, basic and advanced S&R techniques, victim removal techniques, risk management, communications and basic firefighter self-rescue. Instructors and the lab will be provided for training at your location.
Mobile Search & Rescue Training Lab: 3-day
This course is designed to provide your fire department the Mobile Search & Rescue Training Lab (MSRL) for three days of intense instruction using your instructors. The MSRL is an exceptional training tool with a unique design of a residential dwelling and a confidence maze that offer quality learning experiences.

From instructing new recruits to seasoned veterans, this unit will meet your training needs. A key feature of this training is to provide your organization with the lowest possible cost. For organizations that have qualified training staff already, this option provides the best and most cost effective way to obtain training.

We include all the necessary tools for your staff to conduct safe and effective programs. Another feature is the flexibility of delivery options. Whether you are a full time, combination or volunteer fire department, having the MSRL for three consecutive days offers the opportunity to meet most organization’s needs.

NFPA 1403 Live Fire Training Awareness
This awareness level course covers all nine chapters of the NFPA 1403, Live Fire Training standard, 2012 Edition. The course goes into detail to describe the requirements set forth in the standard, as well as covering all the permits and paperwork that are required in order to conduct Live Fire Training. This course is a must for any firefighter and/or officer participating in a live fire training evolution.

NFFF Life Safety Initiatives - “Courage To Be Safe - So Everyone Goes Home”
This class focuses on the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation’s Life Safety Initiatives Program. Firefighters must have courage to face a multitude of risks to save lives and protect communities. Their courage allows them to willingly risk their own lives so that others can be saved. A different type of courage is required to stay safe in potentially dangerous situations, avoiding needless risks and tragic consequences.

This program is designed to change the culture of accepting the loss of firefighters as a normal occurrence. Building on the untold story of LODD survivors, it reveals how family members must live with the consequences of a firefighter death and provides a focus on the need for firefighters and officers to change attitudes and behaviors in order to prevent line of duty deaths.

The class promotes the courage to do the right thing to protect you and other firefighters so that “Everyone Goes Home” at the end of the day.

New Vehicle Technology
Five-star crash-rated vehicles use new vehicle construction technology (NVT) which incorporates stronger metals and metal combinations that firefighters’ older extrication tools cannot quickly cut. This training includes descriptions and graphics of the latest new vehicle construction technology, metals and metal combinations, and updated extrication techniques. Upon successful completion, firefighters will be equipped with the latest techniques to speed up the extrication of victims of serious accidents involving the safest, five-star crash-rated vehicles.

Preparations for Initial Company Operations (PICO)
This course is designed to develop a better understanding of the role and responsibilities of a Company Officer in preparing their company for incident operations, and to clarify the transition from firefighter to company officer and the new roles relating to leadership and safety. It is designed for company officers, acting company officers, senior firefighters responsible for the management of a single fire company at an emergency incident, and officers responsible for company readiness, personnel safety, and leadership.
Pump Theory & Hydraulics
Students will understand the operation and construction of the fire pump; identify and understand intake and discharges; priming, volume and pressure modes, and pressure control devices. At the conclusion of the course, students will understand the systematic movement of water from the supply source through the pump to a predetermined discharge point.

Rapid Decision Making for the First Due Firefighter
This class provides focus for fire officers that have the responsibility of rapid assessment as the first-arriving decision maker on the scene. Through intense video-based scenarios, students will learn how to make proper strategic and tactical decisions based on factors of smoke reading, type of structure and resources on hand.

Rope Rescue Level I
This course examines basic rope rescue techniques. The course covers topics including rigging; critical angles; mechanical advantage systems; repelling; self-rescue techniques; lowering systems and low angle techniques will be presented & practiced. Students must be in good physical condition. Personal protective equipment including helmet, work boots, rescue or work style gloves and eye protection are necessary. Clothing should be appropriate for all outdoor weather conditions.

Rope Rescue Level II
Rope Rescue is an essential skill needed in the emergency rescue service. This advanced course is for those that have completed Rope Rescue I and focuses on litter rigging, high-line applications and leadership on the rescue scene. Students will apply tactics to real life scenarios and will have the opportunity to practice at various sites throughout central Ohio. The following personal protective equipment is necessary: helmet, work boots, gloves. Clothing should be appropriate for all outdoor weather conditions.

Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations
STICO is designed to meet the needs of Company Officers (CO) responsible for managing the operations of one or more companies during structural firefighting operations. STICO is designed to develop the management skills needed by company officers to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires. Selection criteria for the course: Senior firefighters who may at times assume the responsibilities of the company officer (NFPA 1001, Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, Level II).

Trench Rescue
The Ohio Fire Academy’s Mobile Trench Rescue Trailer (available Spring 2016) can train your staff on trench rescue techniques based on your SOP’s and equipment. OFA will bring its trench rescue equipment cache, but departments can also supply their own. Students are required to have helmet, eye and ear protection, gloves, work boots, flashlight or helmet light, knee pads and elbow pads (recommended) and clothing appropriate for all weather conditions.

Understanding Fire Behavior - Mobile Fire Behavior Lab
This course is a must for all firefighters both new and seasoned veterans. We bring live fire into the classroom and demonstrate the destructive force and awesome power fire has utilizing our mobile flashover trailer. A lack of understanding fire behavior can lead to inaccurate predictions, the destruction of property and the loss of life. You must possess a current certificate to practice as a firefighter issued under Section 4765.55 of the Revised Code. Students will need full PPE to include full turnout gear and SCBA.
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Educational benefits for veterans available at OFA

The following courses are approved by the Department of Veterans Affairs for veteran educational benefits at the Ohio Fire Academy:

Certified Fire Instructor (course 0020)
Certified Fire Safety Inspector (course 0021)
Emergency Medical Technician-Basic (course 0078)
Firefighter I and II (course number 0055)

Which benefits may I use?

Chapter 30 (Montgomery GI Bill)
Chapter 1606 (SELRES GI Bill)
Chapter 1607 (REAP)
Chapter 35 (Survivors and Dependents Educational Assistance)
Chapter 31 (VOCREHAB)
Chapter 33 (Post 9/11 GI Bill™)

How do I apply to use my veteran education benefits at the Ohio Fire Academy?

1. Contact the Department of Veterans Affairs at 1-888-442-4551 to apply for benefits.
2. Once the Department of Veterans Affairs has approved your education benefit, submit the Certificate of Eligibility (issued by the VA) to the OFA Registrar to begin registration and processing.

How much will my education benefit cover?

Each veteran education benefit has different entitlements. Please visit www.va.gov to view the specifics.

What will my out of pocket expenses be?

The Department of Veterans Affairs pays for tuition and fees (which includes SCBA rental). You will need to cover turn-out gear rental (if a department does not provide that equipment to you).

What if I have more questions?

You may contact the Ohio Fire Academy certifying official at (614)752-7263 or contact Veterans Affairs directly by calling 1-888-442-4551.
The Ohio Fire Academy offers modern and affordable accommodations that are conveniently located adjacent to the training grounds. Room rates are $30 per day for a semi-private room or $60 per day for a private room. For the Firefighter I&II and EMT Basic students, dorms are only offered as semi-private rooms.

All of the Academy’s rooms feature cable television, closet space, desks and work space and private bathrooms.

In addition, the Academy offers a student lounge equipped with cable television, pool and foosball tables, and meeting space for after-hours group coursework or for socializing.

Students also have access to our physical training facility equipped with a wide range of workout equipment including free weights and Cybex machines. An aerobics room is also available.
Ohio Weekend
at the
National Fire Academy

The Ohio Fire Academy and the Ohio Society of Fire Service Instructors invite you for a weekend of enrichment at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, MD., June 24-26, 2016. These development courses listed are of the highest quality and are presented by NFA instructors. For more information, refer to the application at the back of this catalog.

Leadership I for Fire/EMS: Strategies for Company Success
This two-day course presents the company officer with the basic leadership skills and tools needed to perform effectively in the fire service environment. The course includes techniques and approaches to problem-solving, ways to identify and assess the needs of the company officer’s subordinates, methods for running meetings effectively in the fire service environment, and decision-making skills for the company officer.

The course is for line fire officers, unit commanders, or program supervisors, those who are now rescue personnel due for promotion/appointment to officer rank or supervisory position, training officers, staff, or administrative officers of fire and rescue organizations.

New Fire Chief 1: Challenging Issues
This course is designed to develop the managerial, administrative, and leadership skills necessary for the first time fire chief and chief officer who desire a leadership position in their department. This course addresses critical knowledge and skills pertaining to the responsibilities of a fire chief including such topics as local politics and the role of the chief officer, liability and risk management, and resources and items of knowledge needed to become a first-time leader in a new position in their agency.

The primary candidates for this course include new or emerging chief officers in a volunteer or combination fire department or emergency service organization. The secondary candidate is a person who is a new career chief, department leader or emerging leader of fire department or emergency service organization. This course is open to all interested emergency services personnel including volunteer, career, and allied professionals. The class is intended primarily for those who have served or will begin to serve soon in leadership positions and who seek to learn more effective ways of managing and leading their agency. For specific questions concerning this course, please contact Ken Farmer at: Ken.Farmer@fema.dhs.gov or phone: 301-447-1871.

Incident Safety Officer
This two-day course examines the Safety Officer’s role at emergency responses. A specific focus on operations within an Incident Command System (ICS) as a Safety Officer is a main theme. Response to all-hazards types of situations will be emphasized.

This course is for individuals who have a Safety Officer responsibility at emergency operation situations. Persons attending this course should have a working knowledge of the ICS, as taught by NFA, building construction principles, hazardous materials management, applicable NFPA guidelines, and Federal regulations.
Training Operations in Small Departments
This two-day course is designed to provide students with some basic tools and skills to coordinate training in a small fire/EMS organization. A training function in a smaller department typically may include conducting training drills and coordinating training with a nearby larger city or state training facility.

Course content includes leadership issues in fire service training, such as why and how the local training officer must be a catalyst for change, personal motivators within the department, identifying the legal issues affecting the training function, including an understanding of a standard of care, the impact of OSHA and NFPA standards, safety considerations in training, marketing training internally, identifying ways to justify training needs, resolving training conflicts using appropriate conflict resolution techniques, selecting and evaluating training curriculum and materials from outside sources, and effective delivery and evaluation of training.

This course is for rescue personnel who coordinate training in small departments, volunteer firefighters and officers who instruct in small fire and rescue departments, fire personnel serving on training committees and training officers in volunteer fire departments. Students who have taken NFAs Challenges for Local Training Officers through the Volunteer Incentive Program are not encouraged to take NFAs Training Operations In Small Departments.

Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations
This one-day STICO is designed to meet the needs of Company Officers responsible for managing the operations of one or more companies during structural firefighting operations. STICO is designed to develop the management skills needed by company officers to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires.

This course is for senior firefighters who may on occasion assume the responsibilities of the company officer (NFPA 1001, Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, Level II).

Join us at the National Fire Academy, June 24 - 26, 2016!
Courses Open to All of Ohio’s Fire Service

180 Registrations Available

Dress Code: No T-Shirts or Blue Jeans

AVAILABLE COURSES:

TRAINING OPERATIONS IN SMALL DEPARTMENTS [W0290]

This 2-day course is designed to provide students with some basic tools and skills to coordinate training in a small fire/EMS organizations.

STRATEGY AND TACTICS FOR INITIAL COMPANY OPERATIONS [W0455]

STICO is designed to meet the needs of Company Officers responsible for managing the operations of one or more companies during structural fire fighting operations.

INITIAL FIRE INVESTIGATION FOR FIRST RESPONDERS [W0379]

This course is designed specifically to provide a clear definition of the role of the first responder in arson detection and provide essential knowledge to enable them to recognize the potential of intentionally set fires, preservation and protection of evidence, and proper reporting of information to appropriate officials.

INCIDENT SAFETY OFFICER [W0729]

This 2-day course examines the Safety Officer’s role at emergency responses. A specific focus on operations within an incident Command System (ICS) as a Safety Officer is a main theme.

NEW FIRE CHIEF CHALLENGING ISSUES [W0760]

This course is designed to develop the managerial, administrative and leadership skills necessary for the first time Fire Chief and Chief officer who desire a leadership position in their department.

LEADERSHIP I FOR FIRE AND EMS: STRATEGIES FOR COMPANY SUCCESS [W0803]

This 2-day course presents the company officer with the basic leadership skills and tools needed to perform effectively in the fire service environment.

*Interested students must complete Initial Fire Investigation for First Responders (O0379) available through NFA Online at www.usfa.fema.gov/training/nfa/courses/online.html prior to participating in this classroom based course.

Ohio Weekend students need to register for a FEMA Student Identification Number (SID).

1. Register at https://cpd.dhs.gov/femasid
2. Select “Need a FEMA SID?” on the right side of the screen.
3. Follow the instructions to create your account.
4. You will receive an email with your SID. Save this number in a secure location.

Use the SID in box #6 on the General Admissions Application
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## GENERAL ADMISSIONS APPLICATION SHORT FORM

### SECTION I - GENERAL INFORMATION

1. **DATE OF BIRTH (Mo, Day, Yr)**  
2. **GENDER**  
3. **U.S. CITIZEN**  
4. **ETHNICITY**  
5. **PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME**  
6. **Student ID# (SSID)**  
7. **MAILING ADDRESS** (Street, avenue, road no., city or town, and zip code)**

### SECTION II - EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

1. **NAME AND COMPLETE ADDRESS OF ORGANIZATION BEING REPRESENTED**  
2. **NFIRS #** (NFA ONLY)  
3. **CURRENT POSITION AND NUMBER OF YEARS IN POSITION**

### SECTION III - ENDORSEMENT AND CERTIFICATION

1. **SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT**  
2. **APPROVAL BY THE FIRE CHIEF**

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Identify your 1st, 2nd & 3rd Choices: W0290, W0455, W0379, W0729, W0760, W0803

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DO YOU HAVE ANY DISABILITIES (Including special allergies or medical disabilities) WHICH WOULD REQUIRE SPECIAL CONSIDERATION DURING YOUR ATTENDANCE IN TRAINING?  
**NO**  
**YES**

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RESOURCES

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www.fireacademy.com.ohio.gov
OHIO FIRE ACADEMY STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET

With the changes made to the National Fire Academy application, each student will need to complete this form as well.

Name: ____________________________

Last 4 digits of Social Security Number __________ Date of Birth __________

FEMA Student Identification Number __________

COURSE SELECTION

Select desired course & pick up location, in order of preference (1st, 2nd, 3rd)

___ Training Operations In Small Departments [W0290]

___ Strategy and tactics for initial company operations [W0455]

___ Initial Fire Investigation For First Responders [W0379]

___ Incident safety officer [W0729]

___ New Fire Chief I: Challenging issues [W0760]

___ Leadership I for Fire and EMS: Strategies for Company Success [W0803]

PICK UP LOCATIONS (TENTATIVE)

Final pick up locations will be sent by email prior to the event

___ Akron ___ Bowling Green ___ Cambridge

___ Centerville ___ Cincinnati ___ Cleveland

___ Columbus ___ Springfield ___ Own Transportation

Dress Code: No T-Shirts or Blue Jeans

MAIL THIS FORM AND NFA STUDENT APPLICATION TO:

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for other payment options visit: www.OSFSI.org