



Heartland Fire Training Authority



Heartland Fire Training

**IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
San Diego Miramar College**

**STATE ACCREDITED FF1 ACADEMY
2013 Curriculum**

29th FIRE ACADEMY

Open Enrollment Student

ANNOUNCEMENT

January 4 – May 13, 2017

Academy meets Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 0800-1800

The 486-hour academy includes classroom sessions on topics such as firefighter safety, equipment operation, fire extinguishers, forcible entry tools and techniques, lifting and hoisting equipment, fire hose, hose nozzles and fittings, hose evolutions, ladders, breathing apparatus, fire control, fire prevention, and more; plus manipulative classes giving recruits the opportunity to practice skills taught in the classroom. Upon completion of the academy, successful students will receive a State Fire Marshal FF1 checklist with attained tasks (a necessary document to receive a State Fire Training Firefighter 1 Certificate), and a Heartland Fire Training Course Completion Certificate.



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ACADEMY FEES

Fire Academy cost includes:

CA Resident **College Tuition** for 9 units (FIPT 381F) at \$46 per unit are **\$414.00**

Mandatory College health/accident fee of **\$19.00**

SCBA mask fit test **\$30.00**

Included in fee:

- California State Firefighter 1 curriculum
- All Books
- Fire Control 3 State Cert
- RIC and Accountability State Cert
- Firefighter Safety and Survivability State Cert
- Basic Fire Investigation
- Auto Extrication State Cert
- Power Distribution safety class by SDGE

TOTAL: \$3975.00

Payment by Cashier’s check or money order will be made to Heartland Fire Training Facility at time of entrance notification.

Potential Additional costs to student:

Equipment Rental (If turnout gear not provided by agency) **@\$650.00**

Medical and Respirator Examination (separate cost paid by student to vendor) **@\$120.00**

State testing Fees **TBA**

Testing prep and delivery class **TBA**



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OPEN ENROLLEE APPLICATION INFORMATION

Dear Fire Academy Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the 29th Heartland Fire Academy. We hope this program will help you in preparation for a career in the Fire Service. The Heartland Fire Academy is a Miramar College course (FIPT 381 F) that is accredited by the California State Fire Marshal.

Please read the information provided to you in the following pages and follow the instructions carefully when filling out your application. **Incomplete application packages, or failure to comply with these procedures, may preclude your acceptance into the academy.** We thank you again for your interest and look forward to your participation within our program.

COURSE INFORMATION

- Academy 29 is a 486 hour course; start date will be Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at 8:00 am.
- This course meets Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday; 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Class locations will be the Heartland Fire Training Facility and other field locations.
- Students must pass training evaluations by assigned instructors.
- Students are expected to be present at each of the required academy training sessions.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- Age: 18 years of age at time of application.
- Education: High school graduate or equivalent (GED).
- Possession of a valid San Diego County EMT-1A and CPR card **at time of application.**
- **Pre-requisite certifications Due December 21, 2016:**
 - Wildland S-130, S-190 certificates
 - CSTI Hazmat FRO with WMD (CSTI or FEMA AWR 160-w available from TEEEX online) component
 - Confined Space Awareness certificate
 - ICS IS-100, IS-200, IS-700, IS-800
- Successfully pass:
 - Written exam requirement removed
 - CPAT completion no older than July 1, 2016 (Offered at Miramar September 28)



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- Interview
- Medical Examination
- Be in good physical condition

CONDUCT

The Academy is conducted in a paramilitary format and every effort will be made for the success of all candidates. Candidates are expected to adhere to all rules of conduct which include appropriate appearance and grooming standards. All questions regarding Academy operations and expectations will be answered during the Official Orientation after acceptance to the academy.

PHYSICAL TRAINING

Physical Training is an important component of the Academy. All candidates must be in good physical condition before entering the Academy. **At a minimum, a candidate should be able to perform to the following standards on the first day of the Academy:**

- 3 mile run in less than 30 minutes
- 3 Pull-ups
- 25 Pushups in one minute
- 30 Sit-Ups in one minute

Please refer to these document for additional information.

- Physical fitness and training
- Physical agility test

<http://www.heartlandfiretraining.org/academy.htm>

IMPORTANT DATES

- October 10, 2016 Application Deadline
- October 24-28, 2016 Oral Interviews
- November 4, 2016 Acceptance Notification
- **November 18, 2016** **Acceptance Orientation (Mandatory)**
 - **8 a.m. – 1 p.m.**
- **December 21, 2016** **Pre-Requisite certificates or transcripts due – no exceptions**
 - **Failure to provide by this date will cause for removal**
- **January 4, 2017** First Day of Academy - Family may attend 0800 - 1000



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Selection Process

- **Physical Abilities Test:**
Candidates must have a valid CPAT card dated no earlier than July 1, 2016. An exam is scheduled at Miramar on 9/28/2016 with orientation on 9/15/2016. Other dates may be available in adjoining counties. See <http://www.cffjac.org/go/jac/cpat/> for more information.
- **Interview:** Each Open Enrollee Candidate must pass an oral Interview Board.
- **Medical Examination:** Successful candidates will be required to complete a Respirator Clearance Doctor Exam; specific to OSHA requirements. The medical examination is completed at the Candidate's expense; approximate cost \$120.00. Exam is given at Sharp Rees-Steely. More information will be provided at Acceptance Orientation.
- **Mask Fit Test.** All successful candidates will be required to:
 - Provide a copy of a Mask Fit Test for the BA issued by their agency, most not exceed July 1, 2016 or
 - HFTA will contract with a vendor in which recruits may take their BA mask and get tested. **Average cost \$30**
 - More information will be provided at Orientation
 - **DO NOT SET OWN APPOINTMENT**

ORAL INTERVIEW: October 24-28, 2016 Times TBA

All testing will be accomplished at:

Heartland Fire Training Facility
1301 N. Marshall Ave
EL Cajon, CA 92020



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Additional Required Equipment/Costs

Each recruit will be required to have the appropriate Uniforms and safety equipment (Including Turnout Safety Gear) prior to the start of the Academy. Heartland Fire Training has negotiated the best prices available for the purchase of uniforms, and the rental of the safety gear.

Once accepted to the Academy each recruit will receive detailed information on the specifications and type of required equipment.



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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Fill out the attached application completely and return it to: Heartland Fire Training Facility; 1301 N. Marshall Ave., El Cajon CA 92020 during normal office hours on or before: **3:00 p.m. Monday, October 10, 2016** (excluding weekends). **It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all pertaining documents arrive with your application packet.** All supporting documents must be in your application package for you to be considered for the academy.

STAPLE ALL DOCUMENTS IN ONE PACKAGE; NO NOTEBOOKS/FOLDERS

A COMPLETE APPLICATION SHOULD INCLUDE:

- CANDIDATE APPLICATION (form attached)
- **COPIES OF CERTIFICATES FROM ALL PRE-REQUISITE CLASSES (due by December 21st)**
- "TELL ME ABOUT YOU"
- RESUME
- COPY OF VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE (OR PICTURE ID)
- COPIES OF COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS (official transcripts not required)
- ANY LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
- COPIES OF ANY RELATING CERTIFICATIONS AND/OR CPR, EMT, OR PARAMEDIC CARDS
- CERTIFICATE OF RELEASE OR DISCHARGE FROM ACTIVE DUTY (DD214) IF APPLICABLE

MAIL APPLICATION PACKET OR DELIVER APPLICATION PACKET TO:

HEARTLAND FIRE TRAINING FACILITY
1301 N. Marshall Ave
El Cajon CA 92020

OFFICE HOURS FOR DELIVERY: Monday – Friday – 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 PM
CLOSED SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 3:00PM, MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2016

29th Heartland Fire Academy (2017) Open Enrollment Student Application

NO OTHER FORM OF APPLICATION WILL BE ACCEPTED

INSTRUCTIONS (please read carefully): This application is an initial part of the candidate evaluation process. Please apply only if you feel reasonably certain that you meet the requirements as described in the position flyer. Print clearly in **Black or Blue** ink or type and fill this application out completely. Please notify us promptly if you have a change of address, phone or email.

Full Name (Last, First MI)		Date of Birth	DATE of APPLICATION	
Home Address		City	State	Zip Code
Mailing Address (if different from home address)				
Home Phone ()	Cell Phone* ()	Driver's License Number	State	Exp. Date

EMAIL _____

WRITE CLEARLY AS MOST COMMUNICATION/NOTICES WILL BE SENT TO YOU VIA YOUR EMAIL

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Name and Location of High School:

Circle Highest Grade Completed	9 10 11 12	Diploma	GED
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Include relevant education and training, including college, business, technical and in-service coursework.

Attach a copy of your San Diego County EMT 1A card, CPR card and CDL, and unofficial copies of college transcripts. SEE Guideline Page

School Name Location (city and state)	Dates of Attendance		Units/Hours Completed		Course/Series Title or Major Field	Degree/Certificate Received & Year
	From Mo / Yr.	To Mo / Yr.	Sem.	Qtr.		

From: / /	Employer:
To: / /	Address:
Total Yrs: Mos:	Job Title/Assignment:
Hours/Week:	Duties
Number Supervised:	
Supervisor:	Title: Phone: ()
Reason for leaving:	
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Please check if it applies to you:

- I have successfully completed the City of El Cajon's **2016** written and physical agility reserve testing.

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICANT (Read carefully before signing): I hereby certify that all statements made in this application and on all supplemental information provided are true, and I agree and understand that any misstatement of facts may cause disqualification from or forfeiture of placement in the Heartland Fire Academy. I authorize the Heartland Fire Training Authority personnel members to make any necessary and appropriate investigations to verify the information provided.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

(OFFICE USE ONLY) DATE RECEIVED: _____ TIME: _____

INITIALS: _____

Reminder: Attach ALL necessary documentation to verify education and certifications. You MUST include a copy of a valid California Driver's License (or ID).

Name: _____ Date: _____

PROFILE - TELL US ABOUT YOU

Please type answers on a separate sheet. NOT TO EXCEED 3 PAGES

1. Why should we select you for the 29th Fire academy (2017)?
2. What are your outstanding strengths?
3. What are your greatest weaknesses?
4. List specific examples of working under pressure or meeting deadlines.
5. What are your three biggest accomplishments thus far?
6. Describe your personality.
7. What final impression would you like us to remember you by?