



CITIZENS' FIRE ACADEMY

INTRODUCTION

Through classroom presentation and hands on exercises, citizens will achieve a greater understanding of the inner workings of the Marion Fire Department. In order to provide a quality program, the academy will consist of no more than twelve participants. Applicants must be 16 years of age and currently reside within the Marion fire response district. Applicants between the ages of 16 and 18 may apply to participate with a parent or legal guardian. Participants are encouraged to participate in all practical demonstrations. However, because of the voluntary nature of the program, physical limitations of applicants will not be considered a reason for exclusion from the academy. The academy will be 8 weeks in length, one night per week (Mondays) from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. All classes will be conducted at Fire Station 2, located at 3933 Katz Dr.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- To provide residents a basic understanding of the tactics and strategies of firefighting and rescue operations.
- To provide a greater understanding of the services of the Marion Fire Department is able to provide.
- To encourage academy participants to return to their families and neighbors and share their experiences. This will provide more safety conscious and informed citizens.
- To provide an enjoyable, interactive atmosphere in which fire department members and citizens can share information and concerns.

INSTRUCTORS

All class instructors are members of the Marion Fire Department and are committed to providing appropriate information to all participants in the Citizens' Fire Academy. All instructors are Firefighter 1, Firefighter 2, and Fire Instructor certified in their field of expertise. Members of the department will assist in many of the hands-on drills.

SPECIAL NOTE

It is imperative that all participants understand that the Citizen Fire Academy is intended to be an informative experience to provide insight into how the fire department functions and what services they provide. **IT IS NOT INTENDED TO TRAIN PARTICIPANTS AS FIREFIGHTERS OR ASSISTANTS AT ANY FIRES.** It is not the Academy's intent to train participants to a level where it is safe for him/her to involve themselves in any firefighting activity.

Marion Fire Department
3933 Katz Drive
Marion, Iowa 52302
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CITIZENS' FIRE ACADEMY MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of our Citizens' Fire Academy is to create a well-informed individual from our community by describing the various functions and services the Marion Fire Department offers.

Our academy is designed to educate the participant through a series of classroom and hands-on trainings. Our instructors will utilize their experience and knowledge in making this an informative, educational atmosphere.

The academy will bring into focus the very nature of firefighting along with the hazards and rewards firefighting encompasses.





CITIZENS' FIRE ACADEMY APPLICATION

The emergency information sheet and release form must accompany application.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ M.I.: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Birth Date: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Driver's License No.: _____ SSN: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

What do you expect to gain from attending this academy?

Please indicate shirt size M L XL XXL XXXL

If the Academy is full, would you like to be placed on a waiting list? Y ___ N ___

All applicants must be 16 years of age, and reside in the Marion fire district. All other information on this application must be true and accurate. A preliminary background check will be completed by the Marion Police Department. The Marion Fire Department reserves the right to reject or accept any applicant for the Citizens' Fire Academy.

Signature _____ Date _____

This application form should be completed and returned, along with the emergency information form and legal release forms along with a copy of a photo ID containing your birth date, to the Marion Fire Department at 3933 Katz Dr. Marion, Iowa. If you have any questions, please call (319) 377-8237 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The Academy will begin August 19 and run for 8 weeks ending October 14, 2019. Graduation will be at Marion Fire Station 2 on October 18 or 19. Classes will be held at Station 2 on Monday from 6pm to 9pm. There will be a \$20 fee, payable the first night of class.

Application must be returned no later than July 12, 2019.



CITIZENS' FIRE ACADEMY SCHEDULE

August 19 – October 14, 2019

Week 1- August 19th - Fire Station #2- 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. – Shift 1

Welcome and CFA introductions – *Chiefs*
CFA general information – *Chiefs*
Overview of Department – *Chiefs*
Bunker gear fitting & SCBA Training

Week 2- August 26th - Fire Station #2- 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. – Shift 2

SCBA & Hose Handling
Fire behavior
Fire extinguisher
Sprinkler operations

Weekend – September 7th - Fire Station #2 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. – Shift 2

Auto extrication

Week 3 – September 9th - Fire Station #2- 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. – Shift 1

Search rescue
Fire ground operations

Week 4 – September 16th - Fire Station #2- 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. – Shift 2

Special teams operations

Week 5- September 23rd - Fire Station #2- 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. Shift 3

Apparatus / tools
Ventilation
Live Fire Training (LPG Trainer)

Week 6 – September 30th - Fire Station #2- 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. – Shift 1

First aid
EMS/ Ambulance operations
AED

Week 7- October 7th - Fire Station #2 - 6:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M. – Shift 2

Live Fire Training (Burn Trailer)

Week 8 – October 14th - Fire Station #2 - 6:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M. – Shift 3

Public education- *Markley*,
Fire prevention and investigation- *Markley*

Weekend – October 17th or 18th

Graduation, Fire Station #2

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Emergency Information Sheet

Name: _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

In case of emergency, whom shall we contact?

Name/Relationship

Phone number:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Medical Conditions:

Cardiac/Heart

Breathing/Respiratory

Stroke

Diabetes

Vision/Hearing

Other _____

Do you have any known allergies? Y ___ N ___ What? _____

Note:

Certain activities throughout the Citizens' Fire Academy may involve a moderate degree of physical exertion. It is recommended that participants with any of the above mentioned conditions check with their physician prior to participating in the academy. Participation in any portion of the program is purely voluntary and shall not be considered a requisite for acceptance.

MARION FIRE DEPARTMENT CITIZENS' FIRE ACADEMY

Release and Indemnification

For and in consideration of my participation in the Marion Fire Department's Citizens' Fire Academy Program, I hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold the Marion Fire Department, City of Marion, its officers, agents, employees and all personnel, free, harmless and indemnified from any and all liability whatsoever for any injuries, damages and claims that I or my heirs, successors, assigns, or agents may sustain arising out of my participation in the Citizens' Fire Academy program conducted by the Marion Fire Department.

Signed this ____ day of _____, 20 ____

Participant

Witness Signature

Print Name

Witness Printed Name

Witness Address