

***Philadelphia Fire
Department
Fire Academy***



Academy Training

- ▼ Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
- ▼ Firefighting
- ▼ Physical Fitness





EMS Training

- ▼ 6 full weeks of daily classes
- ▼ Numerous tests, quizzes, and performance standards needed to pass the PA State EMT Certification program.





EMS Training (con't.)

- A very high level of commitment is needed
- A minimum of 3-4 hours per night of study is needed to successfully complete these courses.





EMS Training (con't.)

- Continued employment with the Fire Department is contingent upon passing the State EMT Certification.





Firefighter Training Program





Firefighter Training Program

▼ 9 weeks of intense fire training





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

▼ Engine Operations





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

▼ Ladder Operations





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

▼ Tools and Equipment

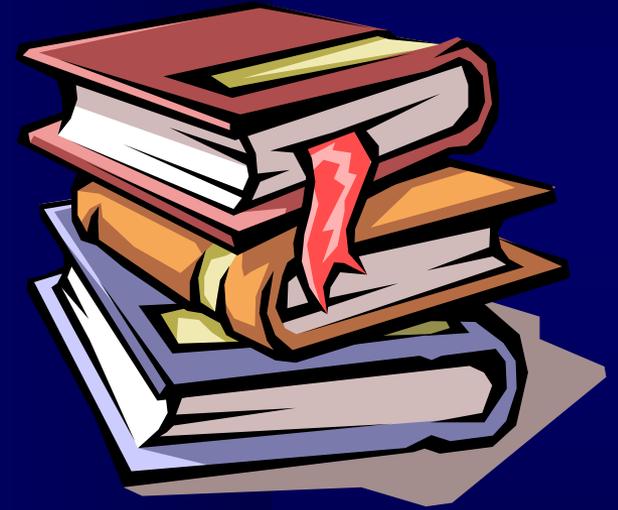
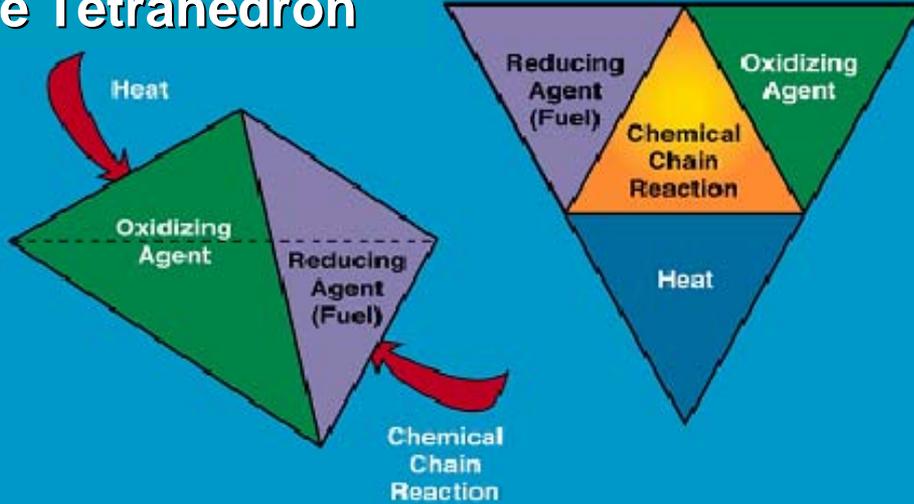




Firefighter Training Program (con't)

General Knowledge

Fire Tetrahedron





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

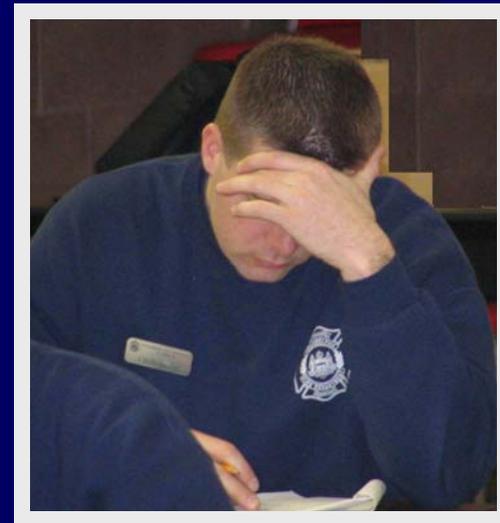
- ▼ Other classes on firefighting include:
 - Basic Vehicle Rescue
 - Emergency Vehicle Operations
 - Terrorism
 - Hazardous materials
 - Confined Space rescue





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

- ✔ This demands a high level of commitment
- ✔ Each Cadet must be willing and is required to spend 3-4 hours nightly on homework assignments and lessons.





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

Physical Fitness





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

- Successfully completing the daily calisthenics and jogging requirements are mandatory for the Fire Academy.





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

▼ PFD Discipline

- The PFD is a quasi-military organization.
- All officers at the Fire Academy will be addressed as “Sir”, or “Ma’am”.
- Disrespect will not be tolerated.





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

- ▼ Each Cadet will be issued a Cadet Guide Book explaining policies upon arrival at the Fire Academy.





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

▼ Dress/Grooming Code

- At the Fire Academy all Cadets will be issued work clothing and protective clothing. It is your responsibility to clean and maintain these items.
- Each member will be required to purchase dress black military style shoes for use.





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

- ✔ Jewelry is prohibited at the Fire Academy, with the exception of wedding rings and watches.
- ✔ ALL facial jewelry is prohibited, including earrings, facial piercings, mouth/tongue piercings.
- ✔ Necklaces are also prohibited unless they are worn under the uniform.





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

- Each Cadet will be expected to arrive at the Fire Academy wearing a dark shirt, and dark/navy blue pants.
- All Cadets will report to the Fire Academy clean-shaven. This is for safety regulations, as the facepiece of the breathing apparatus will not seal properly on a beard or goatee.





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

- ▼ Grooming regulations at the Fire Academy are also enforced.
- ▼ All hair must be pinned up if it is long
Exaggerated hair styles will not be permitted.
- ▼ Sideburns on male Cadets must also be trimmed short and neat.





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

LATENESS AND ABSENCE

- ▼ Lateness is not tolerated in the Fire Department. Members are expected to arrive early for all assignments.
- ▼ Have two alarm clocks set to wake up on time.
- ▼ Have an alternate plan of getting to the Fire Academy on time.





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

- ▼ Any absence at the Fire Academy is unpaid leave.
- ▼ Any lost time is a LOSS OF PAY, including lateness.
- ▼ Sickness and injuries will be covered at the Academy upon your arrival.





Firefighter Training Program (con't)

▼ Miscellaneous rules

- No Cadet will be permitted to leave the Academy during the day for any reason.
- Bring your own lunch. A lunch truck comes to the Academy, however its arrival cannot be guaranteed.
- Outside food cannot be ordered and delivered to the Academy.

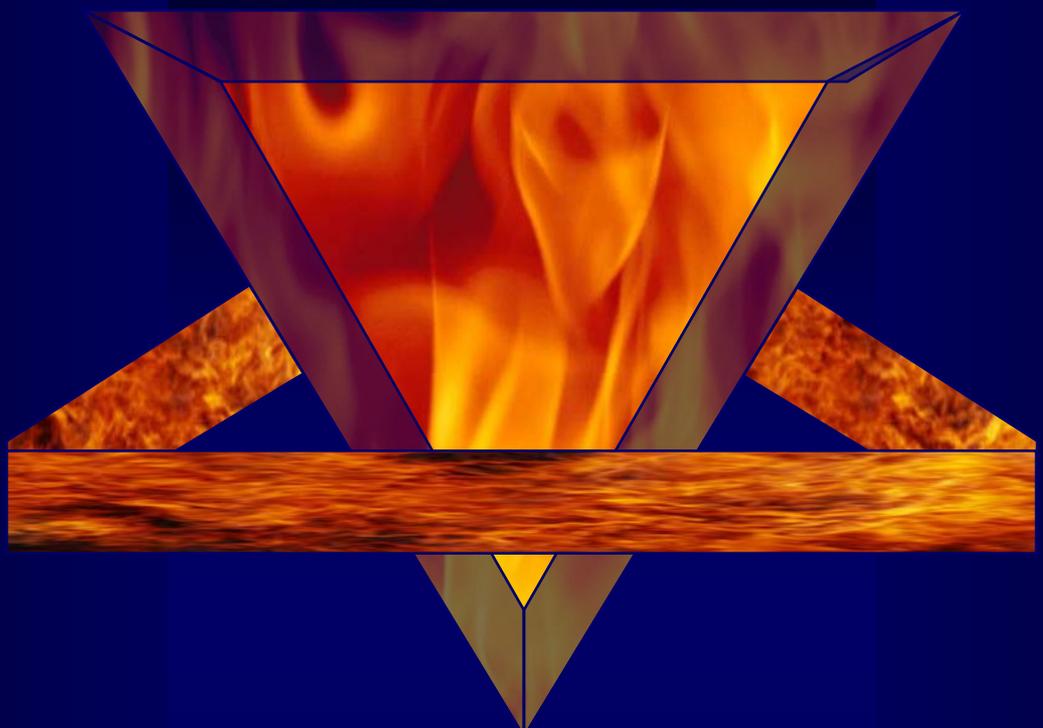




Day One

- ▼ Hair cut and shaved
- ▼ Dark blue work shirt and pants
- ▼ Black leather work shoes/belt
- ▼ Driver's license
- ▼ Letter to report
- ▼ Parking outside gate on Pennypack St.





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