

“To provide a safe environment for youth to learn about the fire service in an effort to foster growth in service to our community and organization.”



Rutherfordton Fire and Rescue

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Are you looking for an opportunity to make a difference while learning about an exciting career?

We have the perfect opportunity for you!





Benefits of the Junior Firefighter Program

- Allowing youth to gain insight and interest in becoming long-term members of the emergency services
- Increasing awareness among youth about volunteering and supporting the fire and rescue services
- Providing departments with additional help in accomplishing non-firefighting or non-emergency tasks
- Leadership development for America's youth who will be tomorrow's leaders
- Educating parents and mentors on the importance of encouraging volunteerism

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About the Program

The junior program started as a way to promote volunteerism in our organization as well as grant our youth the opportunity to learn about and achieve an exciting volunteer or career path in the fire service. The program is open to students ages 16 & 17 who poses a valid NC driver's license. We partner with the Boy Scouts of America Fire Service Exploring program which provides insurance and supports recruitment of members.

What type of activities are involved?

Junior members are involved in numerous fire department activities, training, and provide support at emergency incidents. Some examples include: Fire prevention and safety, community events, fire and rescue training, CPR certification, basic first aid, and much more.



What Juniors say about their program...

- “Enjoyed participating in exciting training simulations”
- Firefighter Tyson Samuel (Past Junior)
- “People, teamwork, getting out in the community, learning... It's like a team sport where everyone works together”
- Junior Firefighter Bryson Newton
- “Enjoy the hands-on experience”
- Junior Firefighter Emily Maher

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