

## Membership Information

- a. The applicant must be fourteen years of age and/or have completed the eighth grade. Members who reach the age of twenty one will have their membership in the post evaluated by the advisory staff to determine if a situation exists that will allow them to continue as a Cadet.
- b. Youth seeking membership must be approved by the Cadet Advisory Council and /or the Chief of the department.
- c. Youth who seek membership and have a parent or grandparent that is/was a member in good standing of the Clemmons Fire Department will be granted membership with the approval of the Advisory Council and the Chief of Department.
  - i. These youth shall enter the Junior Member program with no Four (4) week review process required.
- d. Youth who wish to seek membership through an application process will meet with an Advisor on the first night they attend and be given an application packet.
- e. Youth will be responsible for turning in a completed application, a copy of their most recent report card, and an application fee of twenty dollars to be held until acceptance on the second meeting night that they attend. If they are already a member, the dues will be collected in February.
  - i. It is the intent of the Fire Department to foster excellence in education, whether public, private or home schooled. As an ambassador of the Clemmons Fire Department Post 14, each member will maintain a minimum of a “C” grade in each subject matter during each reporting session.
- f. This application will be held for four weeks while the advisory council reviews the application and academic qualifications of the youth candidate.
- g. During this four week period, the candidate may come to regularly scheduled meetings and observe any practical training exercise. At **NO** time should the candidate participate in any training exercise during this four week period.
- h. Upon completion of the four week period, the candidate will meet with the Advisory Council and undergo a formal interview process for membership into the post.
- i. If the candidate is approved for membership into the Junior Member Program, the candidates name will be submitted to the Chief of Department for final approval.
- j. If final approval is granted by the Chief of Department, the candidate will enter the Junior Member program as a probationary member. Probationary Junior Members shall not respond to any emergency call until the “basic fact test” has been completed and passed.
- k. Probationary members will receive a “fact sheet” that he/she will need to complete in an amount of time not to exceed two months.
- l. The applicant recruit shall pass a written examination with a minimum score of 70%. If the applicant recruit fails the examination, they may be allowed a subsequent attempt within a thirty (30) day period.

If the applicant recruit fails the subsequent exam, all fees held in escrow shall be returned to the applicant and the applicant recruit shall be denied membership.

m. The applicant recruit may reapply to the Junior Member program after sixty (60) days.

n. Upon completion of the written test, the probationary member will also receive personal protective equipment (fire gear) that will remain property of the Clemmons Fire Department and must be returned upon the demand of the Fire Chief or his Designee.

i. After the packet has been reviewed and accepted by the Advisory Council, the Probationary Junior Member will receive full membership in the Junior Member Program.

ii. All Junior Members are expected to attend and participate in training exercises in conjunction with the Clemmons Fire Dept. on Tuesday nights. Meetings shall be held the second, third, fourth, (and fifth if occurring) Tuesday nights. Beginning at 7:00 pm at the James Street Fire station (here after known as Station 14) until 9:00pm. Unless otherwise stated, all possible effort will be made to notify members in a reasonable amount of time of date, time, or location change of a meeting.

iii. On the second Tuesday, the advisor staff/Junior Member Officer will lead a special Junior Member oriented training starting at 7:00 PM-9:00 PM. All Junior Members are expected to participate.

o. Clemmons Fire Department Explorer's are an important resource and should be utilized at scenes. There are certain tasks that Explorers ARE NOT allowed to do on any scene or event.

i. EXPLORERS MAY NOT:

1. WEAR SCBA(exception in training events)
2. DIRECT TRAFFIC
3. ENTER A BURNING STRUCTURE
4. DRIVE APPARATUS
5. PERFORM HIGH LEVEL, CONFINED SPACE/COLLAPSE RESCUES
6. RESPOND TO HAZMAT EVENTS (EXCEPT AS COLD ZONE SUPPORT)
7. PARTICIPATE IN EXTRICATION
8. RESPOND TO ANY CALLS DURING SCHOOL HOURS IF ENROLLED IN GRADE 12 OR LESS
9. ENTER AN IDLH (Immediately dangerous to life or health) ATMOSPHERE