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**JEFFERSON COUNTY
EMERGENCY SERVICES
TRAINING ACADEMY**

FIREFIGHTER I & II

BECOMING A FIREFIGHTER

State of Missouri average
Firefighter salary:\$44,165

Projected 10 year growth: 5%

Hours:

Most firefighters work long shifts, weekends, and holidays. Shift lengths vary with different agencies. Shifts can be 24 hours on with 48 hours off, 48 hours on with 96 hours off, or 12 hour shifts 3 or 4 days a week.

Required Education:

Hazmat Awareness & Operation
Firefighter I & II
EMT or Paramedic

Volunteering Opportunities:

Volunteering can be a great way to gain experience and possibly lead to a career. Many of the Jefferson County fire agencies accept volunteers. Reach out to your local fire agency for more information on volunteering.

Why JCESTA?

We strive to provide our students with innovative trainings that will help them succeed in their career. All of our instructors are active firefighters.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Course Activities

This course is a combination of in class hours and hands on practical training. During this course you will discuss fire behavior, building construction, communications, rescue and extrication, protection systems, and fire prevention among many more topics. Hands on training will include ropes and knots, ladders, hydrants, advancing and loading fire hose, auto extrication, and various forms of fire attack.

Certification

The written exam for fire I & II consists of 100 multiple-choice questions each, referenced to the NFPA 1001-2013 standard. Students have two hours to complete the written exam. The student must achieve a score of 70 percent on the exam in order to qualify for certification. Students must also successfully complete a practical skills exam.

Requirements

Certification for Fire Fighter I&II will be issued to those individuals who have met the following guidelines and provided documentation verifying:

- A. Applicants born after June 1, 1972 must possess a high school diploma or a high school equivalency certificate.
- B. Applicant must be a resident of Missouri or employed with a fire department within the state.
- C. Be at least 18 years of age.
- D. Possess a valid Missouri driver's license or a valid state or federal identification.
- E. Have successfully completed an approved Missouri Fire Fighter I&II training program and provided verification of completion.
- F. Have successfully completed the Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations classes and be certified to the Awareness and Operations levels.
- G. The candidate must meet the medical and physical fitness requirements to perform the task of fire fighter as determined by the authority having jurisdiction.
- H. Attain a minimum score of 70% on the State certification written examination and must successfully complete all practical skills tested on the State practical skills examination.

Course Schedule

Class is typically held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 1800-2200 with five Saturday practicals from 0800 - 1800.

