

SOUTH METRO FIRE RESCUE AUTHORITY



31 January 2020

Dear Neighbors,

Have you ever wondered what firefighters do? Or how firefighters rescue people from an icy pond? Or how to improve your family's safety? Or how to use the Jaws of Life to save someone from a car crash? Or how investigators find the causes of fires? Or how dispatchers direct resources to emergencies?

We at South Metro Fire Rescue invite you to participate in our annual Citizens Academy. This 8-week academy is a rare opportunity to discover the mysteries of modern firefighting and learn priceless life-saving skills. You'll learn about South Metro Fire Rescue from behind-the-scenes, and learn about yourself and your community in the process.

Each of the eight classes is taught or facilitated by SMFR personnel. The schedule of classes is attached. Each class lasts from 6-10 p.m. Locations vary depending on the topic. Attendance is critical to your success in the program; participants are expected to attend every class. Participants perform physically-challenging activities such as rappelling, crawling and performing CPR on mannikins. While we won't exclude candidates based on physical abilities, we want to be transparent about the nature of the activities.

This program is open to adults over the age of 18 who live in or work in our jurisdiction. To apply for this amazing opportunity, submit the attached application by February 14, 2020, to einar.jensen@southmetro.org. We appreciate your consideration and hope that you'll join us for the 2020 Citizens Academy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Einar Jensen', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Einar Jensen
Risk Reduction Specialist
Citizens Academy Co-Coordinator



Application Process

Thank you for your interest in participating in the Citizens Academy with South Metro Fire Rescue.

Applicant Note:

The following application is intended to get information that will ensure a safe and comfortable academy experience. Throughout the eight weeks of the academy, participants will be engaged from time to time in strenuous activities and interact closely with other participants. There is a \$30 fee for materials, once an application has been accepted.

Application for Citizens Academy

Return to: South Metro Fire Rescue – E Jensen
9195 E. Mineral Ave., Centennial, CO 80112
Telephone: 720-989-2209
FAX: 720-989-2073
Einar.Jensen@southmetro.org

Date of Application: _____

Instructions: Please answer each question completely and accurately, using N/A when appropriate.

Applicant Information:

Full Legal Name:	_____	_____	_____
	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
Address:	_____	_____	_____
	Street	City	State Zip Code
Telephone			
Home:	_____	Social Security Number:	_____
Work/Cell:	_____	Email Address:	_____

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Are you 18 years of age or older? () Yes () No

Date of Birth: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____

T-Shirt Size (indicate Men's or Women's): _____ Pant size: _____ Shoe Size: _____

Place of Employment: _____

Address: _____

Have you ever been convicted or pled guilty to a crime, or are there any charges pending against you? () Yes () No

Please indicate: Misdemeanor _____ conviction _____ pending and/or _____ Felony _____ conviction _____ pending

If yes, please describe the offense. Give the date, location and disposition of the charge (include military service but exclude minor traffic violations or offenses adjudicated in juvenile court):

A conviction will not necessarily disqualify you from the academy. Seriousness and date of conviction will be considered.

General Information:

Do you have a valid driver's license? () Yes () No State issued: _____ License #: _____ Expiration date: _____

If no, why? _____

Emergency contact name: _____

Emergency contact phone number: _____

Second number: _____

Any known medical conditions?

Current medications:

Any known allergies?

Community groups with whom you are affiliated: _____

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The answers to the following questions will be important in the selection process. Please take your time to answer the questions completely.

Classes are scheduled to meet each Wednesday from April 1 to May 20 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for eight weeks. Are you committed to attending every class?

Please circle your answer: Yes Will Try To Most Classes Unknown

Additional Information:

What do you hope to learn or accomplish by completing this academy?

Why should you be selected to attend this academy? *(Please feel free to attach another sheet if more room is needed.)*

How did you hear about the Citizens Academy?

SMFR website _____ Next Door _____ Facebook _____ Other internet source _____ Personal Contact _____

Other: _____

Do you wish to make any other remarks to help us make our decision?

Professional References

Please give names of persons, not related to you, whom you have known for over a year.

Name	Address	Telephone	Occupation	Years Known

Certification & Release (read carefully before signing):

In consideration of my application to attend the Citizens Fire Academy, I give South Metro Fire Rescue permission to check my personal background and references and to conduct other background checks such as arrest records, convictions, and traffic citations as necessary to ensure the integrity of the class. The above information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

This application is valid for six months from the date above.

Please mail your completed application to the following address:

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Questions?

Please call Einar Jensen at 720-989-2273 or email: Einar.Jensen@southmetro.org



CITIZENS ACADEMY 2020

(Dates Are Firm; Activities Are Probable)

WEEK 1: APRIL 1, 2020

HEADQUARTERS, 9195 E. MINERAL AVE., CENTENNIAL

- Overview of fire service
- SMFR History and Operations
- Team Building
- MetCom overview and tour

WEEK 2: APRIL 8, 2020

JOINT SERVICE FACILITY, 17801 E. PLAZA DR., PARKER

- Fire Behavior
- VEIS Observation
- SCBA/Bunker Gear Demonstration
- SMFR apparatus

WEEK 3: APRIL 15, 2020

HEADQUARTERS, 9195 E. MINERAL AVE., CENTENNIAL

- Sim Lab and Room 3 Tour
- CPR/AED certification

WEEK 4: APRIL 22, 2020

TBD, ADDRESS, CITY

- Dive Team Introduction
- Hands-on/Immersion Activity

WEEK 5: APRIL 29, 2020

JOINT SERVICE FACILITY, 17801 E. PLAZA DR., PARKER

- Community risk reduction overview
- Fire Marshal's Office: inspections and investigations

WEEK 6: MAY 6, 2020

JOINT SERVICE FACILITY, 17801 E. PLAZA DR., PARKER

- Extrication
- Technical rescue
- Maze

WEEK 7: MAY 13, 2020

STATION 12, 6529 S. BROADWAY, LITTLETON

- Dinner and Station tour
- Risk Reduction Modules

WEEK 8: MAY 20, 2020

JOINT SERVICE FACILITY, 17801 E. PLAZA DR., PARKER

- Sprinkler vs. non-sprinkler burn demonstration
- Live fire observation
- Graduation