

BIGGERSVILLE FIRE & RESCUE

JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER PROGRAM

RULES AND REGULATIONS

PURPOSE: To promote an interest in the Biggersville Fire & Rescue and community for young people to develop safety and fire prevention habits and to provide fire and rescue training.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER TO READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOLLOWING RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. The Junior Firefighter Program is open to anyone between the ages of 14 to 17 years of age.
2. Each person applying must complete an application with appropriate signatures. In addition, each of the following forms must be completed, signed by the appropriate parties, and returned with the application:
 - a. Parent/Legal Guardian Release Form
 - b. Release Form to Ride Apparatus
3. All Junior Firefighters are REQUIRED to maintain a "C" average in school and to complete High School in order to maintain Junior Firefighter Program Membership. Suspension from school will result in suspension from the Fire Department. Expulsion from school will result in expulsion from the Fire Department. The report card, or copy, of the Junior Firefighter must be available for the Fire Department to view at next meeting after it is received.
4. All Junior firefighters will conduct themselves in a professional manner while representing the Fire Department.
5. Junior Firefighters are expected to attend all scheduled meetings and trainings. However, exceptions will be made for sickness, excused school absences, work schedule, ect. It is the responsibility of the Junior Firefighter to contact a supervising officer if unable to attend.
6. At no time will a Junior Firefighter use a radio unless directly supervised or extreme emergency situations.
7. No use of any type of emergency lights will be allowed on any Junior Firefighter's personal vehicles.

8. Any Junior Firefighter riding in the fire apparatus must be properly seated with seatbelts properly on and fasted at all times.

9. Junior Firefighters are required to report any illness or injuries to an Officer immediately.

10. At no time will drugs or alcohol be tolerated. If a Junior Firefighter is guilty of using such substances, that Junior Firefighter will be permanently expelled from the program.

11. No Junior Firefighter will be allowed to participate in any Fire Department functions during school hours.

12. Any Junior Firefighter may be dismissed at any time by the Fire Chief when performance does not meet guidelines.

13. Disciplinary actions for Junior Firefighters are:

1st offense 30 day suspension

2nd offense 60 day suspension

3rd offense Dismissal

14. If in good standing with the Fire Department 6 months before 18th birthday, Junior Firefighters may apply for full membership without going through probationary period. The Fire Chief can provide more information if needed.