

# EXPLORER PROGRAM



**Youth Boys and Girls Age 15**

**Meeting First and Third Thursdays of Each Month**

**610-367-0277**

## OUR PROGRAM

This program is designed to allow male and female youth, 15 Years of age to explore a career in the fire service. The explorers receive training similar to volunteer and professional firefighters, including basic fire chemistry, hose evolutions, ladder operations, medical and CPR training, hazardous materials, and auto extrication. The explorer program is intense and demanding, however the rewards are increased character and the understanding of what it takes to pursue a career in the fire service.

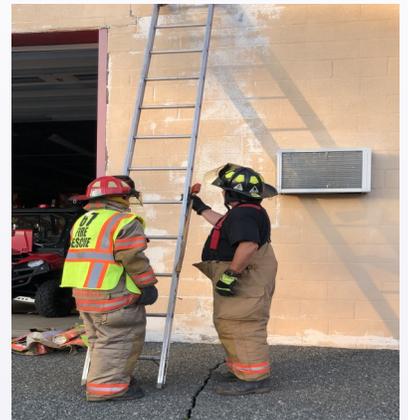
## REQUIREMENTS

- 15 Years Old
- Maintain a 2.5 GPA in School
- Must Obtain Valid Working Papers
- Must be in good standing with your school and your community
- A Parent or Guardian who will sign your application and attend your interview



The Explorer program is for teens interested in fire science, emergency medical services (EMS), and emergency management. Fire Explorers will spend time learning about:

- Firefighting
- First Aide Basics and CPR
- Vehicle Rescue
- Water Rescue
- Fire Prevention Education
- Equipment Operations
- Preplanning



In addition, the Explorer program helps young people gain community connections and develop the following skills:

- Leadership
- Teamwork
- Social and professional networking
- Self-discipline
- Self-respect

All Explorers will be under the direct supervision of trained Gilbertsville Fire and Rescue personnel. All Volunteer Firefighters and Instructors have required Pennsylvania Background checks and clearances.

