



**Donnelly Rural Fire Protection  
District  
Junior Firefighter Program Packet**

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# Donnelly Rural fire Protection District Junior Firefighter Program

## Application

Please Print using Black or Blue Ink.

1) Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
1a) Address \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_  
1b) Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

2) Do you have your parents permission to apply to be a Junior Firefighter? Yes No

3) Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
3a) Address \_\_\_\_\_

### Emergency Contacts

4) Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
4a) Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

### Medical Information

5) Doctor \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
5a) Hospital \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
5b) Medical Conditions \_\_\_\_\_  
5c) Allergies \_\_\_\_\_  
5d) Do you take any medication? Yes No  
5e) If Yes, list the medication and what condition it is for: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Background Information (use another sheet of paper if more space needed)

*(A background check will be done as well, a felony will prevent anyone from becoming a member of the RFD)*

6) Have you ever been arrested, ticketed, fined, etc? (Felonies, Traffic Tickets, Misdemeanors, etc)  
Yes No

a) If Yes, Please list the date(s) and what the charge(s) were/was:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Additional Information (use another sheet of paper if more space needed)

7) What interests you the most about becoming involved with the Donnelly Fire Department?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

8) Please list other activities, in detail, that you are involved in (Sports, Volunteer Work, Church, etc):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature and Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature and Date \_\_\_\_\_

DRFPD Use:

Fire Chief Approval \_\_\_\_\_

## Parental Consent

My son/daughter, \_\_\_\_\_, has my permission to be a Junior Firefighter with the Donnelly Fire Department. I give my consent to allow \_\_\_\_\_ to be a Junior Firefighter and do not hold the Donnelly Fire Department and First Responders responsible for any actions caused by my son/daughter that is not under the direction of an Officer.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Junior Firefighter Signature and Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature and Date

## Contract of Understanding

I and my son/daughter have read ALL of the Junior Firefighter Guidelines and understand the guidelines set up to outline the purpose of the Junior Firefighters. I and my son/daughter understand that Junior Firefighters serve as supporters of the DRFPD Firefighters to learn the basics of Firefighting and to prepare to become a full member at the age of 18. I and my son/daughter understand that Junior Firefighters are to follow all instructions from members of the DRFPD and that the general standard of conduct is to act in the manner of a professional. I and my son/daughter understand that he/she is expected to be courteous and respectful of other members (Junior and Regular) and to all citizens as they are representing the Donnelly Fire Department. I and my son/daughter understand there is a "zero tolerance" policy regarding drug and alcohol use. I and my son/daughter understand that by signing this Contract of Understanding we are declaring that any violation of the guidelines is grounds for immediate dismissal. I and my son/daughter understand that any acts that violate the guidelines and that are illegal by state law will be referred to the Iowa County Sheriff's Department.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Junior Firefighter Signature and Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature and Date

## Acknowledge Receipt of Guidelines

I acknowledge that I and my son/daughter have received a copy of the Donnelly Fire Department Junior Firefighter Program Guidelines and have reviewed them prior to signing these documents.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Junior Firefighter Signature and Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature and Date

I acknowledge that the above received a copy of the Donnelly Fire Department Junior Firefighter Program Guidelines.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fire Chief Signature and Date

# **DRFPD Operating Guidelines**

## **For Junior Firefighter Programs**

- Junior members must be in at least 9th grade or be 15 years of age to join and can participate until 18 years of age.
- Junior members should maintain at least a "C" average in their middle or high school coursework, and produce documentation of the same at the time they sign up. Our department monitors this on a quarterly basis and documentation must be provided each time. If parents ask to limit participation at higher averages, their word will always be the last in these cases. In the event a junior member has lower than a "C" average, he or she will be placed on probation until the grade returns to a "C".
- Junior members under 18 years of age must always obtain full permission from the parent or legal guardian to participate in our programs.
- Junior members report directly to their advisor for all assignments and activities.
- Junior members will receive classroom training in core areas of interest with classes focused on CPR, communications, general fire, rescue and EMS education, and fire safety and prevention.
- Junior members may participate in the following activities:
  - Parades or Special Events
  - Fundraising Events
  - Training
  - General Standby (Ride-A- Long)
  - Fire Safety / Prevention Education and Activities
  - Meetings
- Junior members should attend regular monthly meetings or events for youth program participants. These may include basic training coursework, a fixed activity such as one of those listed above, or other activity with the department.
- Junior members may only perform support or auxiliary work at fireground operations, such as providing refreshments to the first responders well outside of the "hot zone" or operational area.
- Junior members may not operate any fire department vehicle.
- Junior members and their parent or guardian must sign a waiver that includes full disclosure of risks and releases the department from liability should someone become injured.



# **DONNELLY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

## **JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER PROGRAM**

### ***INFORMATION FOR PARENTS***

We hope the following will answer any of your questions that were not answered in your Junior's *New Member Booklet*.

### **SUPERVISION**

Junior Firefighters interact with Firefighters, Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and Paramedics and gain experience in a firehouse environment. The programs Advisors offer students advice on the skills, responsibilities and educational requirements for fire and emergency services careers. The Coordinator, Director, Co-Director and the advisors are all trained firefighters and/or EMTs.

### **DROPPING OFF AND PICKING UP YOUR CHILD**

Drop off:

- Please make sure that an advisor is present before dropping off your child. The Juniors are not to be on firehouse property without an advisor present.
- Please let an advisor know if someone other than a parent is picking up your child.

Picking up:

- Please make sure to pick up your child on time! This goes for any function, whether it's training, fundraiser or public service activity.

### **EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please update your emergency contact and medical information whenever changes occur.

### **PARENTAL HELP**

Any time that you can help at a function is greatly appreciated, even if it is only for an hour or so. We would like to have as many parents involved as possible. It is a great way to interact with your child and their friends. As long as a parent stays, siblings are welcome to attend, except department bingos and breakfasts. You do not need to contact anyone or sign up to help at a function; just show up...the help is always needed and appreciated.

### **PARADES**

Any parents who wish to participate in walking with the Juniors are welcome. Usually the parades are judged and the Juniors have any opportunity to win an award, so to maintain a uniform appearance we would ask that parents actually marching with the Juniors wear a Juniors polo shirt, navy blue pants and black footwear. We also need parents to help in handing out water during the parades, and doing so from the sidelines of the parade doesn't require a uniform.

### **JUNIORS CLOTHING**

The following is supplied by the Junior department:

- t-shirt (for trainings/other functions)
- blue polo (for parades/public functions)
- navy blue pants

The following will need to be purchased by the individual:

- black closed toe footwear
- black belt



The following are optional items that can be purchased:

- additional t-shirts
- hoodies

See the *New Members Booklet* for more information on uniforms/clothing.

### **PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS**

The Junior Firefighters help out at several community functions through the year:

- Trunk or Treat Donnelly - in October
- Santa Ride Donnelly - December
- Annual Fundraiser Donnelly - May
- Parades

### **BECOME A MEMBER**

Parents can also join the Donnelly Fire Department as an Associate or Active member.

Associate Member - member who is not trained in fire, rescue, or EMS; helps at fundraisers, committees and other functions. For more information contact Juniors advisor.

Active Member - member who will be trained in fire, rescue and/or EMS; helps at fundraisers, committees and other functions. For more information contact Juniors advisor.

### **QUESTIONS**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Fire Chief Juan Bonilla at 208-325-8619.

