

Firefighting I, II

(Hampton & Newport News Campus) Course #8705/8706
Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security Cluster
One Year Program



About the program:

This one-year Fire Science program introduces students to the exciting field of Fire Fighting. Students are supervised closely by qualified personnel. Policies & and procedures are designed to ensure adequate levels of safety while allowing for flexibility to utilize independent judgment based on the level of training. Any student who jeopardizes the safety of others will be removed from the program. Students have the opportunity to earn both the Fire Fighter I & II certifications through the Virginia Department of Fire Programs. Students are required to attend some training sessions after school and some weekends. Attendance at these sessions is MANDATORY for those pursuing the firefighter certification.

Topics of study:

- Basic Life Support
- Hazardous material awareness & operations
- Fire behavior, building construction & forcible entry
- Ladders, water supply, sprinkler systems & ventilation
- Incident management systems
- Building Search, Fire Cause & origin
- Pre-incident survey

Prerequisite:

- Minimum 2.5 GPA or above
- Completion of English 10 with a grade of "C" or better.
- Due to strenuous physical activity, all students will need to complete a physical exam by August 1st with a physician using a New Horizons physical form.
- Students not recommended entry by a physician will not be able to enter this program.
- Students must be 16 years of age on the first day of class (no exceptions).
- Required to fo volunteer OJT hours at a Fire Station in the Spring Semester.

Certifications:

- Fire Fighter I & II
- Hazardous Materials Awareness from the Department of Fire Programs

Career Opportunities:

- City, State, & Federal Fire Departments
- Private Fire Contractors/Private Industry