

North Whidbey Fire and Rescue Cadet Program

DEFINITION:

A Fire Cadet is a youth ages 16-18, who is interested in a career in Fire and Emergency Services. A Cadet volunteers his or her time with North Whidbey Fire and Rescue Fire Cadet Program to participate in public functions and tasks as assigned by the North Whidbey Fire and Rescue.

The goal of the Cadet program is to teach youths about fire and emergency services through interaction with fire department personnel and community members. Interaction with fire department personnel will happen during ride-alongs and training. Interaction with community members will happen primarily during participation in community events. Upon acceptance to the program, a Cadet will volunteer his or her time with North Whidbey Fire and Rescue in accordance with the program policy and guidelines.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:

- 16-18 years of age
- Reside in the North Whidbey Fire District or the City of Oak Harbor
- No criminal background
- Willingness to volunteer time to complete activities as assigned

Candidate applications are received between May 1 and July 31st (annually) and the selection process is conducted in August. Selected candidates will be required to complete a background investigation (including driving record if applicable) and drug test.