

17th Annual Sissonville Fire and Rescue School

March 3 - 5, 2023 and March 10 - 12, 2023

SISSONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

6100 Sissonville Drive
Charleston, WV 25312



**Train because you believe in yourself.
Serve because you believe in the
value of others.**

Welcome!

We would like to invite all Fire, EMS, and Law Enforcement personnel to the **17th Annual Sissonville Fire & Rescue School** in March 2023. Recently, we have trained OVER 800 first responders per year from West Virginia and surrounding states.

We have teamed up with West Virginia Public Service Training to offer certifications for most of our courses.

Firefighter Training Headquarters previously released a statement saying that "*Sissonville Fire and Rescue School offers one of the best fire academies in the US*".

General Assembly: General Assembly will be held on the first Saturday morning - March 4, 2023 - at 7:45 am.

Free T-Shirt: All students who submit their registration to us by February 20, 2023 will receive a Free Fire School T-Shirt. **Any registrations received after this date - including those at the door - will not receive a T-shirt.**

Refunds: No refunds will be given unless all three of your choices for a particular day are canceled or full. Second and Third Choices must be selected or you forfeit your option for a refund. All refund requests must be made in writing and submitted via U.S. Mail with your Fire Chief's (or other designee's) signature.

Meals: Lunch will be provided to all participants on both Saturdays. Lunch on Sunday will be on your own. Free refreshments will be available on both Saturdays and Sundays.

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= Junior Firefighters are eligible to attend the course.

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Event Schedule

Friday, March 3 and March 10, 2023

- ◇ 5:00pm to 10:00pm - Vendor Set up allowed
- ◇ 5:00pm to 6:00pm - On-Site Registration and Check-in
- ◇ 6:00pm to 10:00pm - Classes in Session

Saturday, March 4 and March 11, 2023

- ◇ 6:30am to 7:00am - Doors open for vendors and staff
- ◇ 7:00am to 8:00am - On Site Registration and Check-in
- ◇ 8:00am to 11:30am - Classes in Session
- ◇ 11:30am to 12:30pm - Lunch Break
- ◇ 12:30pm to 6:00pm - Classes in Session
- ◇ 5:00pm to 11:00pm - Evening classes in Session

Sunday, March 5 and March 12, 2023

- ◇ 6:30am - Doors open for vendors and staff
- ◇ 7:00am - Doors open for students
- ◇ 8:00am to 11:30am - Classes in Session
- ◇ 11:30am to 12:30pm - Lunch Break
- ◇ 12:30pm to 6:00pm - Classes in session

*** Lunch, break, and end times are estimates and will be determined by your instructor. ***

Multiple Weekend Courses

(March 3-5 and March 10-12, 2023)

FIRE FIGHTER 1 (Online)

Instructor: Jason Redden

Tuition, Textbook & Online Access Code: \$540.00 Prerequisite: None

This course is designed to meet the job performance requirements of NFPA 1001. Students will learn the fundamentals of firefighting skills through this blended learning course which will combine online learning with intense practical application. The course is designed to assist students with obtaining certification through a self-paced style of instruction and includes certification in Firefighter Level I, First Aid and CPR, Hazardous Materials Awareness, and Hazardous Materials Operations.

Students must attend the orientation weekend to attend this course at the fire school. The orientation weekend will be held on February 4 & 5, 2023 at the Sissonville Fire Department - Main Station - 383 Call Road, Charleston, WV 25312. Students must attend both days.

This class will meet on February 4, February 5, March 3, March 4, March 5, March 10, March 11, and March 12. On Friday's, class will begin at 6pm and on Saturday's and Sunday's class will begin at 8am.

This is a Blended Learning class that requires independent study and a commitment to learning. Students will be given their text and a Course Access code at the first meeting. Students are expected to complete all of the on-line assignments and read the requisite course materials to be prepared to test on Sunday, March 12, 2023.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER FOR THIS COURSE NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 3, 2023.

ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS CAN BE ISSUED FOR THIS CLASS ONCE YOU REGISTER.

**** Because this is a Blended Learning Class, each student will need to have a Mentor from their department or organization who is willing to work with the student and provide some out of class support. Mentors will work with students in their stations to ensure that the student is practicing key skills necessary for certifications. Fire School time will be devoted primarily to re-enforcing skills and assessing competencies.**

***** There is an additional \$100.00 fee to be paid to West Virginia Public Service Training for the supplies and live burn portion of this course. It is not included in your tuition.**

FIRE FIGHTER 1 (Traditional)

Instructor: C.J. Scalf Tuition: \$400.00 Textbook: \$75.00 Prerequisite: None

This course is designed to meet the job performance requirements of NFPA 1001. Students will learn the fundamentals of firefighting skills through this course which will combine traditional classroom learning with intense practical application. The course is designed to assist students with obtaining certification and includes certification in Firefighter Level I, First Aid and CPR, Hazardous Materials Awareness, and Hazardous Materials Operations.

This course will be in the classroom without any online learning. Students will multiple weekends to complete this course. Students will meet March 3-5 and March 10-12 at Sissonville High School. The remaining weekends - March 18 & 19, March 25 & 26, April 1 & 2, and April 15 & 16 - will be held at the Sissonville Fire Department main station located at 383 Call Road, Charleston, WV 25312.

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Course 001

120 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

THREE WEEKENDS

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Course 002

120 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

SIX WEEKENDS

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Multiple Weekend Courses

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Course 003

Driver / Operator Pumper

40 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

BOTH WEEKENDS

Instructor: Perry Barlow Tuition: \$250.00 Textbook: \$80.00 Prerequisite: Fire Fighter 1 & EVOC

This program will identify emergency service personnel who demonstrate competency in the performance requirements necessary to perform the duties of a firefighter. The NFPA 1002 Standard for Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Professional Qualifications identifies the minimum requirements for firefighters who drive and operate fire apparatus in both emergency and non-emergency situations. A person certified at the Pumper Driver/Operator level will have demonstrated competency in the necessary knowledge and skills, to perform the minimum requirements of an emergency vehicle driver/operator.



Course 004

DRONES FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

40 HOURS

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

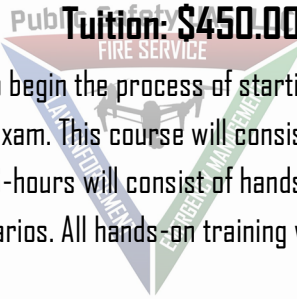
BOTH WEEKENDS

Instructor: David Young

Tuition: \$450.00

Prerequisite: None

This course prepares Public Safety Personnel to begin the process of starting a UAS / Drone program in their agency as well as to sit for the FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot exam. This course will consist of 40-hours of study. The first 24 hours will consist of classroom study and the remaining 16-hours will consist of hands on basic flight training and will end with hands-on training and flying in simulated real life scenarios. All hands-on training will be done flying aircraft similar to what may actually be used in the field.



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EMT BASIC

Instructor: Jonathan Evans Tuition: \$400.00 Textbook: \$400.00 Prerequisite: None

This approximately 155-Hour Hybrid EMT program is the basic level of EMT care by the West Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services. This class meets the National Standards Curriculum. The EMT candidate must successfully complete the program, complete required clinical time, complete the practical skills testing, and obtain a passing score on the written examination. Students must be self motivated to complete assignments and spend time studying outside of formal class hours.

The course requires a clinical component to be completed outside of class hours during which you will ride along with an EMS agency to complete patient assessments. These assessments must be completed in order to obtain certification as an EMT. You will receive more information on the clinical component during the class. Upon successful completion of the course, you will be eligible to sit for the National Registry of EMTs exam. The cost of the examination is not included in your tuition.

Class will only meet in person on the following dates: March 3, 4, 11, 17, 24, April 7, 14, 21, and 28. Friday sessions will meet at 6pm and Saturday sessions will meet at 8am.

Course 005

155 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT 8AM

SUN N/A

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Two Weekend Courses

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Course 006

40 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

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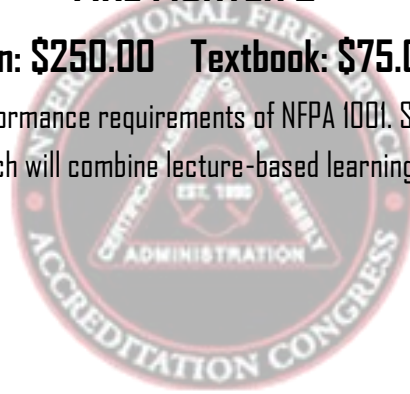
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FIRE FIGHTER 2

Instructor: Scott Holmes Tuition: \$250.00 Textbook: \$75.00 Prerequisite: Fire Fighter 1

This course is designed to meet the job performance requirements of NFPA 1001. Students will learn advanced fundamentals of firefighting skills through this course which will combine lecture-based learning with intense practical application including live fire training.



Course 007

48 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

BOTH WEEKENDS



FIRE OFFICER 1 & 2

Instructor: Brent Burger Tuition: \$200.00 Textbook: \$85.00 Prerequisite: Fire Fighter 2

This course is designed to meet the job performance requirements of NFPA 1021. It identifies the requirements necessary to perform the duties of a first-line to mid-level supervisor. Introduces the student to the concepts of management and supervision on such topics as: Organizational Structure, Communication Skills, Human Resource Management, Public Relations, Planning, Emergency Service Delivery, Safety, information management, government structure, and department budget planning and management.

INSTRUCTOR 1 & 2

Instructor: David Plume

Tuition: \$250.00

Textbook: \$80.00

Prerequisite: Fire Fighter 1, Fire Fighter 2, and HazMat Operations OR EMT

This NFPA 1041 course will train participants to teach a class from a prepared lesson plan as well as the ability to develop goals and objectives for course success. This course introduces the student to the concept of utilizing training aids to enhance his/her presentation, and how to properly select and use these training aids. The student will give several presentations during the week, all leading to the twenty-minute graded presentation on the final day.

Upon Successful completion of this course students will be issued certification for Instructor 1 & 2; however, this does not guarantee employment with WV Public Service Training or West Virginia University - Fire Service Extension.

Course 008

50 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

BOTH WEEKENDS



Two Weekend Courses

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TRENCH RESCUE AWARENESS, OPERATIONS AND TECHNICIAN

Instructor: Dave Gray and Virgil White

Tuition: \$450.00

Textbook: \$80.00

Prerequisite: Rope Rescue Level 1 or Ops, Confined Space Level 1 or Ops, Vehicle Rescue Level 1 or Ops

Course 009

52 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

BOTH WEEKENDS



This technical rescue training program will consist of Trench Rescue Awareness, Trench Rescue Operations and Trench Rescue Technician certification. This course is the most advanced level of training outlined in the NFPA 1670 and 1006 Standards. It is designed for emergency rescue personnel responsible for rescue and recovery operations in more complex environments. Students will work in intersecting "T" and "L" trenches as well as trenches greater than 8 feet in depth. This hands-on course provides training in real life scenarios allowing the student to gain confidence in this dangerous environment. Some skills taught include Rescuer safety, understanding OSHA regulations involving trenches and excavations; Pre-planning; Assessing soil composition and configuration; Cave-in evaluation; Stabilization and shoring; Mechanical, hydraulic, and pneumatic shores; Victim rescue and recovery; and Incident termination. This is a physical and mentally demanding program that emphasizes scene management, safety, and teamwork.







Weekend One - Friday Courses

(March 3, 2023)

Course 100

4 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT N/A

SUN N/A

1ST WEEKEND

ART OF READING SMOKE

Instructor: Steve Cavender

Tuition: \$35.00

Prerequisite: None

Often, smoke from a building is the only clue available to predict fire behavior and the likelihood of a flashover or rapid fire spread. First-arriving officers, Incident Commanders, and Safety Officers must know how to rapidly read smoke. This class explains the reading-smoke process and gives participants practice using actual fire-ground video.

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Course 101

4 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT N/A

SUN N/A

1ST WEEKEND

COMMAND AND CONTROL

Instructor: James Hill

Tuition: \$35.00

Prerequisite: None

Managing Type 4 & 5 incidents using the command system. It Doesn't matter what color helmet you wear or how many years you have been in the fire service, this class is for you. There will be that one day or incident that you will have to run the command system. Have you ever been the IC and felt like you have lost control of the incident and personnel? Can't meet your objectives to control the incident? The solution is an effective command system to manage resources and personnel from the time the alarm is dispatched until command is terminated. Command systems can make or break an incident.

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Course 102

4 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT N/A

SUN N/A

1ST WEEKEND

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS AWARENESS

Instructor: TBA

Tuition: \$35.00

Prerequisite: None

This course is designed for those personnel (fire, police, EMS, and industry) who may be first on the scene of a hazardous materials emergency. Stressing safety, the program describes correct Awareness level actions, including how to recognize potential problems, take appropriate action to protect themselves and others, collect hazard information from the current edition of the Emergency Response Guidebook, and initiate actions that lead to a favorable outcome.

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Course 103

4 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT N/A

SUN N/A

1ST WEEKEND

PET FIRST AID & DISTASTER RESPONSE

Instructor: Rod Johnson

Tuition: \$35.00

Textbook: \$30.00

Prerequisite: None

This course is designed to help responders provide temporary, urgent care to pets until they can reach a veterinary or emergency clinic. This course is ideal for the treatment of police K9s, search and rescue animals, emergency care of pets injured in a house fire or auto accident, among other pet emergencies. The text will teach the student how to care for animals before, during, and after an emergency. Additional information includes injury prevention and disaster preparation, Personal safety precautions to help pet owners identify and minimize risks, and a wide array of pet emergencies including bleeding and bite wounds, cardiac arrest, choking, burns, poisoning, trauma, and more.

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Course 104

4 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT N/A

SUN N/A

1ST WEEKEND

ROPE RESCUE AWARENESS

Instructor: Mat Neil

Tuition: \$35.00

Prerequisite: None

This class that meets NFPA 1006 for Awareness level of Rope Rescue. It consists of classroom presentation regarding the safety, size-up, hazard recognition, hazard control, and First Responders Level of Rope Rescue Considerations. This training will provide rescuers with basic equipment identification utilized for Rope Rescue incidents.

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Weekend One - Saturday Courses

Course 110

CLEARING THE AIR - TACTICAL VENTILATION

8 HOURS

Instructor: James Hill

Tuition: \$50.00

Prerequisite: None

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN N/A

1ST WEEKEND

Why is the smoke not clearing out? Why is the saw not starting or cutting properly? Techniques for vertical, horizontal and hydraulic ventilation, which has become a lost art in the fire service. Your task is to cut a hole for the interior crew. Are you comfortable and confident in getting it cut in a timely manner? Effective ventilation assists our interior crews to meet their objectives in a timely manner. Be confident, proficient and understand the techniques.



Course 111

COMMANDING A FIREFIGHTER MAYDAY

8 HOURS

Instructor: Robert Avsec

Tuition: \$50.00

Prerequisites: None

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN N/A

1ST WEEKEND

A firefighter Mayday is the critical moment where the incident can go one of two ways – rescue or tragedy. One key to avoiding tragic outcomes is Mayday training, particularly for newer members with less muscle memory aligned with real-world fireground emergencies. But even seasoned firefighters can find themselves paralyzed with panic, unsure how to proceed. The second key is for incident commanders to become skilled and practiced in how to exercise the “Three C’s of Command”—Communication, Control, and Coordination—for the Mayday.



Course 112

CPR AND FIRST AID INSTRUCTOR

8 HOURS

Instructors: Rod Johnson

Tuition: \$100.00

Textbooks: \$150.00

Prerequisites: None

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN N/A

1ST WEEKEND

The American Heart Association (AHA) instructor course will prepare the student to serve as Basic Life Support Instructors for AHA CPR and First Aid Courses. The course will cover topics such as effectively presenting core learning content, facilitating group discussions, developing insights into learner characteristics and needs, and more. Certifies Instructors to teach the Basic Life Support (BLS) course and all Heartsaver course disciplines, including First Aid, CPR AED, and Pediatric First Aid CPR AED. Students must complete the online BLS Instructor Essentials Course before attending (cost is not included in the tuition).



Course 113

NIGHTTIME VEHICLE EXTRICATION

6 HOURS

Instructor: Luke Grimm

Tuition: \$65.00

Prerequisite: Vehicle Extrication Ops, Vehicle Extrication Level 1, or Firefighter 2

FRI N/A

SAT 5PM

SUN N/A

1ST WEEKEND

This course will consist of night time extrication scenarios in which students will learn to utilize equipment and apparatus to provide a safe extrication scene for both first responders and victims. Students will be exposed to challenges with scene access, advanced victim entanglement, and scene lighting considerations that often arise in night time incidents.



Weekend One - Two / Three Day Courses

Course 150

ATV SEARCH AND RESCUE

16 HOURS

Instructor: Drew Foutty

Tuition: \$90.00

Prerequisite: None

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

1ST WEEKEND

Newly updated for 2023, this course is designed to teach firefighters and emergency responders the basic skills necessary to perform search and rescue operations using ATVs and UTVs. On the first day, students will learn safe ATV/UTV tactics, basic search tactics, land navigation skills, patient packaging, communication, and how to operate with other agencies/K9s efficiently & effectively. On the second day, students will put their new skills to work outdoors with practical evolutions in realistic simulated scenarios.



Course 151

EMT REFRESHER

24 HOURS

Instructor: Danny Cronin **Tuition :** \$125.00 **Prerequisite:** Previous / Current EMT Certification

FRI 6PM

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

1ST WEEKEND

This 24-hour course meets the established standard requirements to be met by all applicants seeking to become recertified and authorized to practice Emergency Medical Services at the Emergency Medical Technician Level in West Virginia. All West Virginia certified EMTs are required to meet recertification course standards. Providers must successfully complete all skills assessments outlined for the EMT level in the WVDEMS Education Approval Policy.



Course 152

ESSENTIALS OF FIRE AND EMS CHAPLAINCY

16 HOURS

Instructors: John Long and Gary White

Tuition: \$275.00

Prerequisite: None

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

1ST WEEKEND

This basic level course from the Federation of Fire Chaplains is for Fire and EMS service chaplains; a foundational study upon which all other chaplaincy courses are built. The Essentials class is designed to train newly appointed fire chaplains, as well as veteran chaplains seek a refresher to update their information and skills. Some program highlights include a history of fire chaplaincy and the history of the Federation of Fire Chaplains; The Personhood of the Chaplain; The Ministry to Firefighters; How to develop your fire chaplaincy program; Chaplain Operations on the emergency scene; Chaplaincy Ministry to Crisis Victims; Overview of CISM; Injury and Death Notification; Introduction to Firefighter Funerals; HIPAA, Confidentiality, PSQB, and EPA.



Course 153

FIRE INVESTIGATION LEVEL 2

16 HOURS

Instructor: Jason Baltic

Tuition: \$90.00

Prerequisite: Arson I / Fire Investigation Level 1

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

1ST WEEKEND

Previously named "Arson II - Scene Examination", this course will show the student how to investigate an actual fire scene, reconstruct the scene, take trace samples, document, diagram and photograph the scene, and determine and prove what started the fire.



Course 154

FLOOD FIGHT OPERATIONS (G361)

17 HOURS

Instructor: C.W. Sigman

Tuition: \$90.00

Prerequisite: ICS 100, ICS 200, IS-700, IS-775 (recommended)

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

1ST WEEKEND

This course addresses situations for those responsible for planning, preparing, and managing the response to a flood. Using a combination of lectures, discussions, activities, and exercises, the course will take participants through the complete process from well before the flood to clean-up afterwards. Effective community planning is critical to successful flood operations. Weather pending, students will also complete and receive a certificate for the **G270.3 Expedient Flood Training** course. This course is designed to train volunteers in flood-fighting techniques using sandbags and other materials.



Weekend One - Two / Three Day Courses (cont.)

Course 155

NAVIGATING THE GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS

16 HOURS

Instructor: Mark Holmes

Tuition: \$90.00

Prerequisite: None

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

1ST WEEKEND

The intent of this course is to introduce the participant to the world of grant writing. We are continuously faced with a need to search and find additional funding sources throughout emergency services. Whether it is for large purchases or smaller purchases there is probably a grant source available. From the basic search through the application process and then our successful award and post-award management phases, this course will provide you the necessary information and ability to navigate the grant processes. We will discuss the development of the application from data collection to problem statement development and the establishment of goals and objectives of the organization that support the application. Time permitting, the course will discuss individual participants needs and how to start the process with the specific needs of the participants. In addition, students will also write a grant during the class and compete for an award that is sponsored by a local business.

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Course 156

ROPE RESCUE OPERATIONS

20 HOURS

Instructor: Mat Neil **Tuition:** \$125.00 **Textbook:** \$80.00 **Prerequisite:** Rope Rescue Awareness

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

1ST WEEKEND

This course is designed to provide you with the skills and knowledge required to perform basic rope rescue operations utilizing appropriate equipment, methodologies, protocols, and patient and resource management techniques. The course covers Chapter 6, "Rope Rescue" of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1006, Standard for Technical Rescuer Professional Qualifications, including the area of multi-point anchors, rappelling systems, and ascending systems.

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Course 157

SMALL TEAM RESCUE

16 HOURS

Instructor: Red River Rescue

Tuition \$350.00

Prerequisite: Working Knowledge of Ropes

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

1ST WEEKEND

This course was designed around rescue teams that are expected to affect a rescue with limited personnel and resources. In the Urban and Wilderness rescue worlds, we can't always bring more people to help solve a complex problem. In many jurisdictions and into rural/wilderness rescue, you may be personnel and equipment limited. The goal of this workshop is to explore the world outside the G-rated toolbox. Standards are created for specific reasons. The NFPA General use standard differs than the Technical use standard. As a rescuer and their team become more proficient in their skills, they have the ability to adopt other standards and best practices that may be better suited for their rescue environment. In addition, focus will be placed on utilizing rope autonomy to lighten rescue loads and be able to accomplish more, with less. Teams will work through rescue scenarios showing how the team can accomplish the goal of rescue and treatment with specific role management.

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Course 158

TARGETED SEARCH AND VICTIM REMOVAL

16 HOURS

Instructor: Paul Niedbalski

Tuition: \$90.00

Prerequisite: None

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

1ST WEEKEND

This course is intended to be a primer on the application of VEIS, targeted search and victim removal from residential structure fires. The course will consist of discussion and explanation of the determining factors and the decision-making processes leading to the use of targeted search. Also covered will be ladder and access techniques, tool selection and victim positioning and removal from first and second floor locations. The hands-on portion will include these principles and techniques in a real life environment.

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Course 159

VEHICLE AND MACHINERY EXTRICATION AWARENESS & OPERATIONS

16 HOURS

Instructor: Steve Cavender and Darin Virag

Tuition: \$125.00

Prerequisite: None

FRI N/A

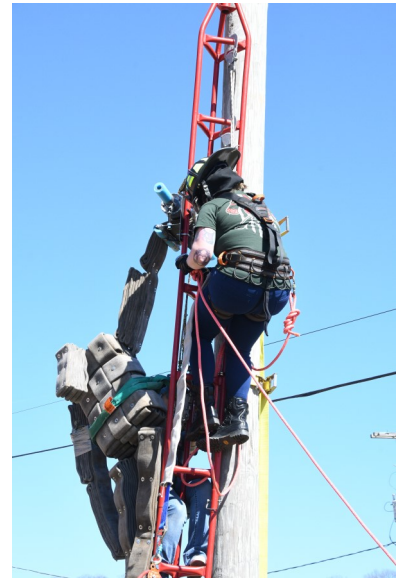
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SUN 8AM

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This course is designed to acquaint the student with techniques used in Auto Extrication. More specifically, the student will become familiar with the different classifications and characteristics of vehicles and machines. Students will also become familiar with the different tools used in extrication, stabilization of the vehicle/machine, disentanglement of the patients, and initiating patient care. The student will become familiar with initiating the Incident Command System and how to terminate the incident when finished. The majority of the course will be spent working on the various skills/techniques each student will learn during this course.

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NAME _____ AGENCY _____
ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
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T-SHIRT SIZE _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED VIA TEXT OR EMAIL FOR
CLASS CANCELLATIONS OR CLASS CHANGES

CHOOSE YOUR CLASS SELECTIONS BELOW

MULTIPLE WEEKEND COURSES

- ☐ 001 - Fire Fighter I (Online)
- ☐ 002 - Fire Fighter I (Traditional)
- ☐ 003 - Driver / Operator Pumper
- ☐ 004 - Drones for First Responders

WEEKEND ONE

- ☐ 100 - Art of Reading Smoke
- ☐ 101 - Command and Control
- ☐ 102 - Hazardous Materials Awareness
- ☐ 103 - Pet First Aid & Disaster Response
- ☐ 104 - Rope Rescue Awareness
- ☐ 110 - Clearing the Air - Tactical Ventilation
- ☐ 111 - Commanding a Firefighter Mayday
- ☐ 112 - CPR and First Aid Instructor
- ☐ 113 - Nighttime Vehicle Extrication
- ☐ 150 - ATV Search and Rescue
- ☐ 151 - EMT Refresher
- ☐ 152 - Essentials of Fire and EMS Chaplaincy
- ☐ 153 - Fire Investigation Level 2
- ☐ 154 - Flood Fight Operations
- ☐ 155 - Navigating the Grant Application Process
- ☐ 156 - Rope Rescue Operations
- ☐ 157 - Small Team Rescue
- ☐ 158 - Targeted Search and Victim Removal
- ☐ 159 - Vehicle Extrication Awareness & Operations

- ☐ 005 - EMT Basic
- ☐ 006 - Fire Fighter 2
- ☐ 007 - Fire Officer I & 2
- ☐ 008 - Instructor I & 2
- ☐ 009 - Trench Rescue

WEEKEND TWO

- ☐ 200 - Are We Producing Quality Firefighters? Or Are...
- ☐ 201 - Hybrid / Electric Vehicle Responder - Awareness
- ☐ 202 - Public Information Officer Awareness
- ☐ 203 - Swift Water Rescue Awareness
- ☐ 204 - Thermal Imaging Cameras Awareness
- ☐ 210 - Active Shooter Response for Fire and EMS
- ☐ 211 - Distillery Emergencies
- ☐ 212 - Nighttime Wilderness Search and Rescue
- ☐ 213 - Thermal Imaging Operations on the Fireground
- ☐ 250 - Chainsaw Safety and Usage
- ☐ 251 - EVOG - Emergency Vehicle Operations Course
- ☐ 252 - Fire Investigation Level 3
- ☐ 253 - Firefighter Funerals | Line-of-Duty Death Incident...
- ☐ 254 - Incident Safety Officer
- ☐ 255 - Public Information Officer - Basic
- ☐ 256 - Rapid Intervention Team (RIT) Operations
- ☐ 257 - Rope Rescue Technician
- ☐ 258 - Tower Rescue Technician
- ☐ 259 - Vehicle Extrication Technician

SECOND / THIRD CHOICES

(Enter Class Numbers)

Multiple Weekend Courses

2nd Choice _____

3rd Choice _____

Weekend One - Friday

2nd Choice _____

3rd Choice _____

Weekend One - Saturday

2nd Choice _____

3rd Choice _____

Weekend One - Sunday

2nd Choice _____

3rd Choice _____

Weekend One - Two/Three Day Courses

2nd Choice _____

3rd Choice _____

Weekend Two - Friday

2nd Choice _____

3rd Choice _____

Weekend Two - Saturday

2nd Choice _____

3rd Choice _____

Weekend Two - Sunday

2nd Choice _____

3rd Choice _____

Weekend Two - Two/Three Day Courses

2nd Choice _____

3rd Choice _____

NOTE: Enter 2nd / 3rd choices above as
needed above. Courses will be selected
for you if you do not list them.

WAIVER OF LIABILITY / MEDIA RELEASE / FEES

I agree not to hold the Sissonville Fire Department, West Virginia Public Service Training, Kanawha County Schools, NGK Spark Plugs, its sponsors, or anyone else associated with the Sissonville Fire & Rescue School responsible for any injuries that may occur to me while I am a participant in any class or function. I understand that that nature of fire and rescue classes can be hazardous and I agree to participate in a safe and responsible manner. I also confirm that I am covered under Workers Compensation Coverage at my Department / Agency. I give my consent for my image and likeness to be videotaped, audiotaped, or photographed for use in educational / instructional media, recruitment / outreach media, development media, and newsworthy documentation to be used by the Sissonville Fire Department / Sissonville Fire and Rescue School. I certify that I am at least 18 Years old and do not need permission to participate in any class. I acknowledge that there will be an additional fee for supplies and the live burn portion of Fire Fighter I and Fire Fighter 2 courses that are not covered in the tuition.

SIGNATURE

DATE

EARLY REGISTRATION IS DUE BY

FEBRUARY 20, 2023

TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A FREE T-SHIRT

MAIL PAYMENT AND REGISTRATION TO:

SISSONVILLE VFD

P.O. BOX 13096

Sissonville, WV 25360

Total Amount Enclosed

Tuition: \$ _____

Textbook(s): \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO SUPPLY THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT FOR THEIR CLASSES:

ATV SEARCH AND RESCUE - OUTDOOR APPROPRIATE PPE, DOT APPROVED HELMET, EYE PROTECTION, AND ATV OR UTV
CHAINSAW SAFETY AND USAGE - APPROPRIATE OUTDOOR CLOTHING FOR THE OUTSIDE PORTION OF THE COURSE
CLEARING THE AIR - TACTICAL VENTILATION - PPE, SCBA WITH SPARE BOTTLE, EYE PROTECTION
DRONES FOR FIRST RESPONDERS - OUTDOOR APPROPRIATE PPE FOR OUTSIDE PORTION OF CLASS
DRIVER / OPERATOR PUMPER - PPE, EYE PROTECTION
EVOC - APPARATUS FROM YOUR DEPARTMENT/AGENCY TO DRIVE ON SUNDAY IS PREFERRED
FIRE FIGHTER 1 - FULL PPE, SCBA AND SPARE BOTTLE
FIRE FIGHTER 2 - FULL PPE, SCBA AND SPARE BOTTLE
FIRE OFFICER 1 & 2 - LAPTOP COMPUTER WITH INTERNET ACCESS
INSTRUCTOR 1 & 2 - LAPTOP COMPUTER WITH INTERNET ACCESS
NAVIGATING THE GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS - LAPTOP COMPUTER
NIGHTTIME VEHICLE EXTRICATION - FULL PPE AND EYE PROTECTION
NIGHTTIME WILDERNESS SEARCH AND RESCUE - OUTDOOR APPROPRIATE PPE FOR A NIGHT TIME SEARCH
PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER - LAPTOP COMPUTER (PREFERRED) AND NOTETAKING MATERIALS
RAPID INTERVENTION TEAM OPERATIONS - FULL PPE, SCBA AND SPARE BOTTLE, EYE PROTECTION
ROPE RESCUE OPERATIONS - HELMET, GLOVES, BOOTS, AND APPROPRIATE OUTDOOR CLOTHING
ROPE RESCUE TECHNICIAN - HELMET, GLOVES, BOOTS, AND APPROPRIATE OUTDOOR CLOTHING
SMALL TEAM RESCUE - HELMET, GLOVES, BOOTS, AND APPROPRIATE OUTDOOR CLOTHING
TARGETED SEARCH AND VICTIM REMOVAL - FULL PPE, SCBA AND SPARE BOTTLE
THERMAL IMAGING CAMERAS - FULL PPE, SCBA AND SPARE BOTTLE, AND THERMAL IMAGING CAMERA FROM YOUR DEPARTMENT (IF AVAILABLE)
TOWER RESCUE TECHNICIAN - HELMET, GLOVES, BOOTS, AND APPROPRIATE OUTDOOR CLOTHING
TRENCH RESCUE - HELMET, GLOVES, EYE PROTECTION, TOOL BELT WITH HAMMER AND NAIL POUCH, STEEL TOE BOOTS, APPROPRIATE PPE FOR WEATHER CONDITIONS
VEHICLE AND MACHINERY EXTRICATION OPERATIONS - FULL PPE AND EYE PROTECTION
VEHICLE AND MACHINERY EXTRICATION TECHNICIAN - FULL PPE AND EYE PROTECTION

Fire School Contact Information

	Contact Phone or Text	Available
Eddie Elmore	(304) 552-4493	9:00am - 10:00pm
Zach Bess	(304) 881-2702	2:00pm - 10:00pm
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Christian Shamblin	(304) 542-6828	9:00am - 9:00pm

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CHECK-IN TIME BEGINS:

5:00 PM ON FRIDAY
7:00 AM ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

ASSEMBLY BEGINS:

7:45 AM ON SATURDAY

ONLINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE

<http://www.SissonvilleFireSchool.com>

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Weekend Two - Friday Courses

(March 10, 2023)

Course 200 ARE WE PRODUCING QUALITY FIREFIGHTERS? OR ARE WE JUST CHECKING BOXES?

4 HOURS

Instructors: Jamie Bero and Darin Virag

Tuition: \$35.00

Prerequisite: None

FRI 6PM

SAT N/A

SUN N/A

2ND WEEKEND

This presentation will be a roundtable discussion of what is currently happening in the field including topics such as training structure, IEPs, JPRs, NFPA standards, recruitment, retention, mentorship, and incentives. It will also have an opportunity to discuss in-house skill drills.

Jr.
Approved

Course 201

HYBRID / ELECTRIC VEHICLE RESPONDER - AWARENESS LEVEL

4 HOURS

Instructor: Bobby Schneider

Tuition: \$150.00

Prerequisite: None

FRI 6PM

SAT N/A

SUN N/A

2ND WEEKEND

This course is designed to provide students with a complete understanding of HEV Vehicles and the potential hazards related to them. Students will receive highly interactive instructional periods to safely identify and engage with HEV's in all potential hazard conditions. Some highlights of this course include Vehicle Identification; Available Resources; HEV Electrical Systems; Hazardous Condition Identification; Hazardous Condition Management; Environmental Considerations; and Standards and Compliance.

Jr.
Approved

Course 202

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER AWARENESS (G289)

4 HOURS

Instructor: Amber Elmore

Tuition: \$35.00

Prerequisite: None

FRI 6PM

SAT N/A

SUN N/A

2ND WEEKEND

This course is designed to familiarize participants with the concepts underlying the PIO role. This course can provide a basic understanding of the PIO function for those new to the position. Additionally, it can provide those in executive level roles the necessary knowledge of PIO roles and responsibilities during an emergency.

Jr.
Approved

Course 203

SWIFT WATER RESCUE AWARENESS

4 HOURS

Instructor: Ron Russell

Tuition: \$35.00

Prerequisite: None

FRI 6PM

SAT N/A

SUN N/A

2ND WEEKEND

This course is the first level of water rescue training. Course topics include organizational roles and objectives, safety, the drowning problem, water types, reading water and water flows, rescue failures, logistics, hand signals, risk versus benefit, environmental concerns, flood characteristics, response strategies, PPE, and types of water rescue.

Jr.
Approved

Course 204

THERMAL IMAGING CAMERAS AWARENESS

4 HOURS

Instructor: TBA

Tuition: \$35.00

Prerequisite: None

FRI 6PM

SAT N/A

SUN N/A

2ND WEEKEND

This class will give the students an overview of thermal imaging cameras, their use in structural fire fighting and many other uses in the field. You are encouraged to bring your Fire Departments Thermal Imaging Camera for practice; however, it is not required.

Jr.
Approved

Weekend Two - Saturday Courses

Course 210

ACTIVE SHOOTER RESPONSE FOR FIRE AND EMS

6 HOURS

Instructors: Rod Johnson and Rick Kegl

Tuition: \$50.00

Prerequisite: None

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN N/A

2ND WEEKEND

This hands-on course will teach students about an active shooter response and medical interventions to treat the wounded. The course will consist of the Run, Hide, and Fight techniques along with hands-on disarming. The medical portion of the class will teach the student how to apply tourniquets, applying direct pressure, and packing wounds. Students will be able to practice what they have learned in scenario based training.

Jr.
Approved

Course 211

DISTILLERY EMERGENCIES - RESPONSE AND PREPAREDNESS

8 HOURS

Instructors: Jason Meiman and Tate Preston

Tuition: \$65.00

Prerequisites: None

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN N/A

2ND WEEKEND

With the expansion of the distillery industry, this course will provide a basic awareness of the different types of emergencies that your department may respond to within the distillery industry. This course will, among other topics, serve to educate those on basic firefighting tactics in the distillery industry, fire characteristics of burning alcohol, bourbon industry terminology, and a review of the different types of building construction found within the distilling industry. Students will also learn about pre-planning and basic preparedness steps they can take with their local distilleries to be more equipped to handle large scale events. Weather pending, a field trip to a local distillery will be taken.

Jr.
Approved

Course 212

NIGHTTIME WILDERNESS SEARCH AND RESCUE

6 HOURS

Instructor: Jeff Cunningham

Tuition \$0.00

Prerequisite: Working Knowledge of Wilderness SAR

FRI N/A

SAT 5PM

SUN N/A

2ND WEEKEND

This program is designed to expand upon the searcher's base knowledge to include various tactics and tools which could be used in night-time search and rescue operations. Topics will include night-time navigation, thermal imaging camera use in land-based search missions, night vision and airborne FLIR use. Students should come prepared to be outside for a large portion of the session and be equipped to perform search missions.

Jr.
Approved

Course 213

THERMAL IMAGING OPERATIONS ON THE FIREGROUND

8 HOURS

Instructors: TBA

Tuition: \$65.00

Prerequisites: Fire Fighter 1

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN N/A

2ND WEEKEND

This course will help you understand how to use a thermal imaging camera on the fireground. Proper training for effective and safe operation with this technology is very important to correctly interpret. Live fire evolutions will be performed in this course as well as the topics of search & rescue, overhaul techniques, warning signs, and more.

Jr.
Approved

Weekend Two - Two / Three Day Courses

Course 250

24 HOURS

FRI 6PM

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

2ND WEEKEND

Instructor: Tom Oxley

Tuition: \$90.00

Prerequisite: None

Operating a chainsaw is extremely dangerous, even in normal working conditions. Safe usage should be of the highest importance to responders. This course will cover chainsaw maintenance, chainsaw sharpening, proper clothing for operational usage, proper terms for chainsaw parts and features, and bucking, limbing, and how to safely work in pairs. There will be one field day working with your saw and getting practical application experience. It is important to take this course so that during emergencies where you need a chainsaw you will be able to clear debris and maintain your and your crews safety so that everyone goes home safe.



Course 251

16 HOURS

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

2ND WEEKEND

Instructor: TBA Tuition: \$90.00 Textbook: \$60.00 Prerequisite: Valid Drivers License

This course is a combination classroom and practical skills training about emergency vehicle operations. Safety, legal aspects, inspection, and driver responsibilities are covered. Both written and practical examinations are administered. This class meets WV State Fire Commission and State EMS initial driver training requirements and recommendations. It is recommended that you bring apparatus from your own department to drive.



Course 252

16 HOURS

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

2ND WEEKEND

Instructors: Jason Baltic

Tuition: \$90.00

Prerequisite: Arson 2 or Fire Investigation Level 2

Previously named "Arson III - Courtroom Preparation", this program will begin with a review of Fire Investigation I & 2, overview of the criminal justice system, the arson prosecution process, the prosecutor's office and function as part of the arson prevention and prosecution team, an understanding of the importance of properly developing an arson case for prosecution, an overview of evidence collection and preservation procedures, an understanding of the elements of the crime(s) of arson, an understanding of possible defenses to a charge of arson, and participation in an arson trial.



Course 253

16 HOURS

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

2ND WEEKEND

FIREFIGHTER FUNERALS | LINE-OF-DUTY DEATH INCIDENT RESPONSE

Instructor: Paul Trumppore

Tuition: \$250.00

Prerequisite: None

Firefighting continues to be one of the nation's most hazardous professions. Approximately 100 firefighters die in the line-of-duty each year in the United States. It is only fitting, given the heroic efforts of fire service personnel that they be given the final respect they deserve. When a death occurs, departments are often unprepared to navigate the complexities of a fire service funeral. This course will take the student through the process of Death Notifications, Meeting with the family, Planning the Funeral, Conducting the Funeral, and the after care for those affected. This course covers non only Line of Duty Death Funerals, but for those who are off-duty, past members, and affiliate members.



Course 254

16 HOURS

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

2ND WEEKEND

INCIDENT SAFETY OFFICER

Instructor: Rick Armstrong

Tuition: \$90.00

Prerequisite: None

The Safety Officer's responsibilities fall into two clear cut categories: those associated with responding at the incident scene, and those associated with managing the day-to-day affairs of the department. The Incident Safety Officer (ISO) course is focused on the incident and the role the Safety Officer plays as part of the Command Staff. The target audience is Company Officers who are experienced in firefighter safety issues and are familiar with an Incident Command System, hazardous materials management, and related emergency operations. The program provides the student with the decision-making process and skills required to recognize unsafe acts and conditions and take appropriate corrective actions.



Weekend Two - Two / Three Day Courses (cont.)

Course 255

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER - BASIC (G290)

16 HOURS

Instructor: Amber Elmore

Tuition: \$90.00

Prerequisite: None

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

2ND WEEKEND

This course is intended for Public Information Officers who are new to the field or less experienced, or established PIOs who desire to refresh their training. The course emphasis is on the basic skills and knowledge needed for public safety, emergency management and government/municipal public information activities. Topics include: the role of the PIO, communications tools, awareness campaigns, news release writing, public speaking, conducting television interviews and news conferences, strategic and crisis communications, and social media. This is an elective course in the advanced professional series (APS) program.

Jr.
Approved

Course 256

RAPID INTERVENTION TEAM (RIT) OPERATIONS

16 HOURS

Instructors: Ritchie Gobble and Corey Carr

Tuition: \$125.00

Prerequisite: Firefighter 1

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

2ND WEEKEND

This training program meets NFPA 1500 requirements for Rapid Intervention Teams (RIT). Instructors will offer multiple scenarios involving rescuing downed firefighters, which will teach firefighters performing this valuable function how to breach walls, lift collapsed structural elements, perform hot SCBA changes, and learn valuable self-rescue procedures.

Jr.
Approved

Course 257

ROPE RESCUE TECHNICIAN

20 HOURS

Instructors: Mat Neil, Mike Gray and Tracey Gray

Tuition: \$125.00

Textbook: \$80.00

Prerequisite: Rope Ops

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

2ND WEEKEND

This program is designed to educate students on how to perform emergency rope rescue at the technician level. The curriculum is designed reference the NFPA 1006 and 1670 standards. During this class students will learn and be required to demonstrate proficiency in technician level skills including: rope use and knots, anchors, rope systems, and performing rescue operations using low angle, steep angle, high angle, and highline operations.

Jr.
Approved

Course 258

TOWER RESCUE TECHNICIAN

24 HOURS

Instructors: Red River Rescue

Tuition: \$800.00

Prerequisite: Rope Rescue Technician

FRI 6PM

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

2ND WEEKEND

Towers are part of the distant landscape in every community. In the information age, it seems that communication towers are being erected daily in our communities. As towers and structures must be accessed for servicing, installation, and maintenance, the probability of performing a rescue increases. This Tower Rescue Course is focused towards seasoned rope rescue technicians who are looking to increase their skill set. The program is of course, scenario-focused but it does require a strong command of physics, rigging, and the willingness to work. Tower climbing is difficult and physically demanding. Over 3 days, this course will cover (at a minimum) Job Performance Requirements set forth by the NFPA 1006/1670 Chapter 4 (2021 edition). Each student will be evaluated for competency in these skills and complete a written exam at the end of the course.

Jr.
Approved

Course 259

VEHICLE AND MACHINERY EXTRICATION TECHNICIAN

16 HOURS

Instructor: Steve Cavender & Darin Virag

Tuition: \$125.00

Textbook: \$80.00

Prerequisite: Veh & Mach Level 1 or Ops

FRI N/A

SAT 8AM

SUN 8AM

2ND WEEKEND

This course designed to train rescuers in commercial or heavy vehicle and machinery rescue. This course will meet or exceed NFPA 1006 Chapters 5 & 10.2 requirements. Students will be taught the basic and advanced concepts of Vehicle and Machinery Rescue: scene size up, identifying hazards, stabilization of commercial vehicles and machinery, entry and egress techniques, disentanglement techniques, tool usage, patient packaging and removal. Emphasis will be placed on rescuer and victim safety, proper tool selection and usage and utilizing a multi-step approach to extrication planning.

Jr.
Approved



Instructors



Armstrong, Rick - Rick has been an active volunteer in the fire service for 53 years, serving in both Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Rick formerly worked at West Virginia Public Service Training and at Camden Clark Ambulance Service as an EMT. He is an instructor for both West Virginia University Fire Service Extension and West Virginia Public Service Training.



Avsec, Robert - Robert is a Retired Battalion Chief serving with the Chesterfield (Va.) Fire & EMS Department for 26 years. He was an instructor for fire, EMS, and hazardous materials courses at the local, state, and federal levels. He earned his bachelor of science degree from the University of Cincinnati and his master of science degree in executive fire service leadership from Grand Canyon University. He is a 2001 graduate of the National Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer Program. He has continued to be a life-long learner working in both the private and public sectors to further develop his "management sciences mechanic" credentials.



Baltic, Jason - Jason is the Chief Investigator for the West Virginia State Fire Marshal's Office where he has been employed for 19 years. He is also the Chief of the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department serving for 29 years making the rank of Chief in 2008. Jason is an IAAI Certified Fire Investigator and a NAFI Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator.



Barlow, Perry - Perry is a 37-year veteran of the fire service. He currently serves as the Fire Chief of the Kingwood Volunteer Fire Department in Preston County, West Virginia. He is also the Chief of the county Hazardous Materials response team. Perry has been a fire service instructor for more than 20 years.



Bero, Jamie - Jamie is the Emergency Vehicle Driver Training-Instructor for the state of West Virginia for VFIS. She began her career as a firefighter with Clarion Fire & Hose Company #1 in Clarion, Pennsylvania and served as a Lieutenant on the Clarion County Emergency Response Team. She is currently a Firefighter and Red Light Express Public Information Officer for Tyler Mountain Volunteer Fire Department in Kanawha County. She is a staff member for the West Virginia Junior Fire Camp and a presenter at the Pennsylvania State HazMat Training & Education Conference. She holds certification as an Instructor Level 2.



Burger, Brent - Brent is a retired Director of Support Services for Kanawha County Ambulance Authority and Retired Chief from the Culloden Fire Department with 30+ years of service. He is also a Supervising Instructor with WV Public Service Training having taught Fire, Hazmat and EMT classes for over 20 years. Brent has also been a team member with the Kanawha County Ambulance CISM team since the early 1990's.

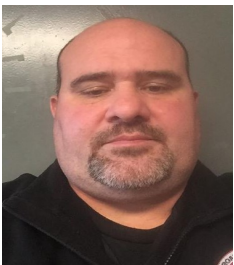


Carr, Corey - Corey began his Fire Service Career in 2007 at the Tornado Volunteer Fire Department and currently is a volunteer at Pinch Volunteer Fire Department, where he holds the rank of Assistant Chief. Corey is employed at the City of Charleston Fire Department as a Firefighter. Corey is a West Virginia Public Service Training Instructor and an instructor for Take the Door Training based out of New York. Corey remains active in education in the Fire Service.

Instructors



Cavender, Steve - Steve has several years' experience in the fire and rescue service and is a WVPST Instructor. Steve has been teaching vehicle, machinery, farm and heavy rescue for 25 years. In addition to teaching first responders he conducts farm safety and farm accident procedures training to agriculture organizations and groups. Steve has been a member of the Point Pleasant Volunteer Fire Department for more than 30 years and currently serves as Assistant Chief.



Cronin, Danny - Danny has been with the Roane County Emergency Squad for more than 20 years where he currently serves as Directors of Operations and Squad Training Officer. He has been with the Spencer-Roane Co. VFD for the last 20 years and currently serves as the Assistant Chief. He is a Public Service Training Supervising Instructor in both Fire and EMS and have taught classes throughout the region.



Cunningham, Jeff - Bio unavailable at time of printing.



Elmore, Amber - Amber began her Fire Service career in 2004 with the Sissonville Volunteer Fire Department for 10 years where she served as a Firefighter and First Responder. She is a certified Fire Instructor 2, NWCG (National Wildfire Co-ordinating Group) Instructor, FEMA PIO Instructor, and a certified Wildland Public Information Officer. She holds a Master of Marketing and Communications from West Virginia University. Amber is also an adjunct professor at West Virginia State University and serves as a full time Hospital Chaplain.



Evans, Jonathan - Jonathan became an EMT in 1998 while earning a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology at Marshall University where he worked on an ambulance operated by the university. He later earned his degree in Paramedic Sciences from West Virginia State University. He has been employed by the Kanawha County Ambulance Authority since 2003. He is certified as both a Critical Care Paramedic and a Community Paramedic. His current position is Squad Training Officer where he works as part of a team to provide classes to both EMS providers and the general public.



Foutty, Drew - Drew is a Firefighter / EMT and has served with Sissonville Fire Department since 2011. He is a Fire Instructor II, West Virginia Public Service Training Instructor, and American Heart Association BLS Instructor. For more than 20 years, he has worked as an investigator specializing in ATV / UTV accidents, product liability, motor vehicle accident investigation, and workplace/industrial accident investigations. He also has experience as a Firefighter / EMS Specialist in the frack fields.



Gobble, Ritchie - Ritchie began his career as a volunteer with the Ripley VFD in Jackson County. He currently works for the City of Charleston Fire Department. He is a certified fire fighter and an instructor for West Virginia Public Service Training and Take The Door training. Ritchie began teaching forcible entry nearly ten years ago and has since been actively involved with instructing in West Virginia, Kentucky, Virginia, and Wisconsin. Ritchie currently resides in Ripley and is actively instructing in multiple disciplines in the fire service.

Instructors



Gray, Dave - Dave began his fire service career in 1986. He has been instrumental in the startup of hazmat and rescue teams. Additionally, he has served as an assistant emergency services director and a president of a Local Emergency Planning Council (LEPC). Serving in emergency services, Dave has experience in commanding large scale incidents, managing federal response to natural disasters, planning for events such as the Greenbrier Classic and Presidential Details. Currently, he serves in a volunteer capacity for the Sissonville Fire Department as a firefighter.



Gray, Mike - Mike has 40 years in the fire service and has been the Fire Chief of Ansted Volunteer Fire Department in Fayette County, West Virginia for the past 10 years. He is also the team leader for the Fayette County Vert Rescue team where he has served for 31 years.



Gray, Tracey - Tracey is a member of the Ansted Volunteer Fire Department where she has served for the last 10 years. She is 27-year CCT Paramedic and for the last 10 years has been a lead rescuer for the Fayette County Vertical Rescue team.



Grimm, Luke - Luke is a Lieutenant and EMT for the Sissonville Volunteer Fire Department. He is also a Firefighter / EMT for the City of Charleston Fire Department. Luke is an instructor for West Virginia Public Service Training.



Hill, James - James began his fire service career as a volunteer at Tyler Mountain Fire Department in 1999. He has held positions of Captain and Training Officer and currently serves as the Assistant Chief. Since 2000, James has been employed with the City of St. Albans, WV Fire Department where he serves on the Water Rescue Team and the department Training Committee. James is a West Virginia Public Service Training Instructor.



Holmes, Mark - Mark is the President of Mark Holmes & Associates LLC which does research and consulting in government relations, highway safety, emergency management, and legislative sectors specializing in grant writing and project management. Mark is retired from the West Virginia Division of Motor Vehicles where he was a former Executive Assistant and also managed the West Virginia Governor's Highway Safety Program. He has also served on the Board of Directors at the Malden Volunteer Fire Department with seven of those years as Board President.



Holmes, Scott - Scott is a 25+ year veteran of the Fire and EMS service. Scott began his fire service career at the Sissonville Volunteer Fire Department where he currently serves as Lieutenant / EMT. He works as a career Lieutenant / EMT at the City of Charleston Fire Department. Scott is an instructor for West Virginia Public Service Training and West Virginia University Fire Service Extension.

Instructors



Johnson, Rod - Rod is a retired Paramedic from the Kanawha County Emergency Ambulance Authority where served more than 30 years and was the Chief of Operations. He also served as Chief of the Pratt Volunteer Fire Department in Kanawha County with 40 year's of service. Rod currently works for the Kanawha County Office of Emergency Management as the Emergency Services Coordinator. Rod is an instructor with West Virginia Public Service Training.



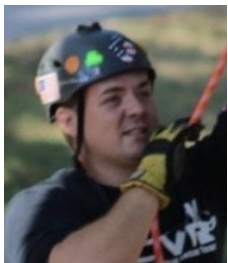
Kegl, Rick - Rick has 25-years of law enforcement experience and is a Sergeant for the Kanawha County Sheriff's Office where he has served for the past 22 years. For the last 13 years he has been a SWAT Operator and Team leader for the department. He is currently assigned to the Special Operations Division as the East city patrol unit commander, Elk Ara Commander, and East Area Commander. Some additional duties include Laser Active Shooter Instructor, Certified ALICE Instructor, and SWAT Level I and Level 2 Tactics.



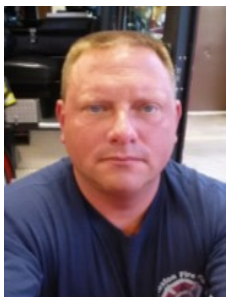
Long, John - John is the Vice-President for the Federation of Fire Chaplains. He presently serves as the Chief Chaplain to the Maryland State Firemen's Association, Chaplain to the Anne Arundel County Volunteer Firefighters Association, and Chaplain to the National Volunteer Fire Council. He also serves on the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation Maryland L.A.S.T. team. John is a Nationally certified Fire Officer III and Fire Instructor III. He has served in all fire line officers positions including three years as a Volunteer Chief. Certified in Spiritual Care in Crisis Intervention through the ICISF.



Meiman, Jason - Jason is the Chief of the Pleasure Ridge Park Fire Department in Kentucky. Jason began his fire service career with the Louisville Division of Fire where he retired at the rank of Battalion Chief over the Special Operations Division. After retirement, Jason entered the private sector as a consultant for the Distillery Industry focusing on Emergency Response and OSHA compliance. Jason also spent many years as a volunteer at Lake Dreamland Volunteer Fire Department.



Neil, Mat - Mat began his career in 2006 as a Junior Firefighter with the Gauley River Volunteer Fire Department in Fayette County. In 2018, he was hired by the City of South Charleston Fire Department. He serves as a Lieutenant at both departments. Mat is also a National Registry Advanced EMT. He specializes in Wilderness and High Angle Rope Rescue with the Fayette County Vertical Rescue Team for the last eight years. He is a certified instructor with West Virginia Public Service Training.

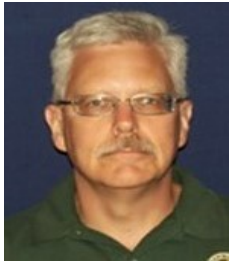


Niedbalski, Paul - Paul has been the recipient of many prestigious awards during his 30 years in the fire service including a 1997 Firehouse Magazine Heroism Award, 1996 Governor's Medal of Valor, and a 1997 West Virginia State Firefighters Association Award for Bravery. He has delivered programs across the country and is a Firehouse Expo H.O.T. Instructor, a member of West Virginia Regional Response Team, and serves on the West Virginia Technical Rescue Committee. Paul is a Captain with the Charleston Fire Department and is assigned to Rescue 2.



Oxley, Tom - Tom is a Retired Service Forester for the State of West Virginia with 30 years of service. He is a Faller 2 for the Divisions Western Fire Crew and has been a part of that unit for 27 years with numerous deployments.

Instructors



Plume, David - David is the former Coordinator of Public Service Training at RESA / EPIC 8. He coordinated training for Firefighters and EMT's in the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia. Previously, Dave held safety and training positions for several industries where he coordinated fire brigades, emergency response teams, and hazardous materials response teams. He also served as a HazMat Technician in Berkeley County, WV. Dave has a bachelors degree in Education from Shepherd University. Dave is also an OSHA instructor and has many other adult education certifications.



Preston, Tate - Tate is the Health and Safety Manager for the James B. Beam Distilling Company where he has been for the last five years. Previously he worked for several industry leading food manufacture's where he was in various roles over health, safety, training and emergency preparedness and response. Tate has also been a fire fighter serving on several volunteer fire department in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. He earned a Master of Science, Safety, Security, and Emergency Management from Eastern Kentucky University in 2014.



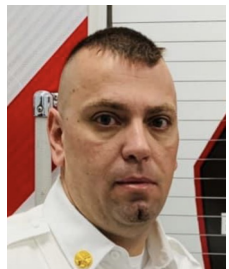
Red River Rescue - Red River Rescue is a technical rescue training and education initiative in Eastern Kentucky's Red River Gorge. They provide Technical Rescue training and instruction. Workshops and courses are designed for rescuers, by rescuers. Their specialties include Rope Rescue, Rope Access, Swift Water Rescue, Technical Rescue, Tower Rescue, Search and Rescue, Urban Search and Rescue, Wilderness Medicine, Backcountry Rescue, and Riggering.



Redden, Jason - Jason is a 17-year member of the fire service currently holding the rank of Fire Chief at the Beaver Volunteer Fire Department in Raleigh County, West Virginia. Jason is also a Lieutenant with the Raleigh County Sheriff's Office serving since 2002. He is an instructor for West Virginia Public Service Training and West Virginia University Fire Service Extension.



Russell, Ron - Ron is the Fire Chief at the Frame Volunteer Fire Department in Kanawha County, West Virginia. He began his career in 1980 as a Junior Firefighter. After catastrophic flooding devastated the Frame area in 1998, Ron set out to start a well trained and equipped swift water rescue team for the fire district. Ron is also a member of the West Virginia Swift Water Rescue Team as well as a Swift Water Rescue Instructor for Spec Rescue International.



Scalf, CJ - CJ is currently the Deputy Chief/ EMT at Institute Fire & Rescue in Kanawha County, West Virginia where he has been a member since 2003. He is a Fire and EMS Instructor with West Virginia Public Service Training and an American Heart Association BLS Instructor.



Schneider, Bobby - Bobby is an 18-year career veteran of the fire service and holds many professional and technical certifications. HE is a Lieutenant assigned to the Engine / Rescue, is an active leader as a member of both local and national technical rescue response teams. He is also the Director of Training and Education for the Energy Security Agency and is a specialist in fire-based research, testing, training and consulting related to energy storage and electric vehicles. Bobby is an international technical rescue trainer and participates in global rescue competitions and consortiums.

Instructors



Sigman, C.W. - C.W. is the Director of the Kanawha County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Manager. He also holds the title of the Kanawha County Fire Coordinator. C.W. is the former Fire Chief of the City of South Charleston Fire Department. He also holds a Master of Safety Management from Marshall University.



Trumpore, Paul - Paul is a 1993 graduate of Johnson University and began working in Crisis Response in 1990. He became a member of the Federation of Fire Chaplains in June 1991 and became their Southeast Regional Director in 2000, serving in this position until 2021 when he became the Director of Regions. Paul has managed the chaplain program for the City of Knoxville Fire Department since 2002 and is a division head over Public Fire Education as a Captain. Paul is one of the Founding members of the Tennessee Federation of Fire Chaplains and has served as Executive Director since 2002.



Virag, Darin - Darin is a Retired Captain from the City of Charleston Fire Department (WV). He has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology and Chemistry. Darin is also a member of the West Virginia Regional Response Team.



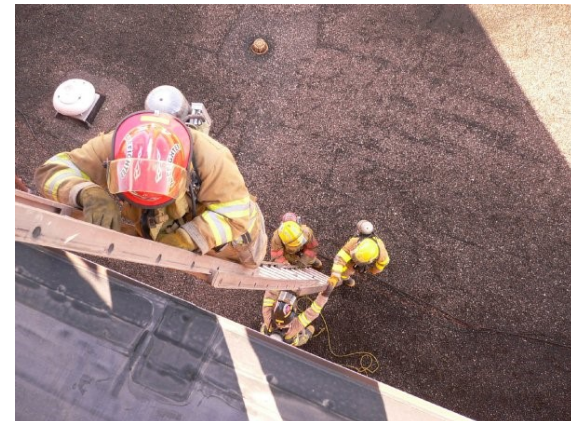
White, Gary - Gary is currently serving as the Region Two Chaplain for the Maryland Fire Chiefs Association and as the Chaplain for the New Market District Volunteer Fire Rescue Department. He received his BS from Liberty University in Religion an Advance Diploma in Biblical Counseling from Light University and holds his Advanced Fire Chaplain Certificate with the Federation of Fire Chaplains. He is currently a Board-Certified Biblical Counselor with the International Board of Christian Counselors and a Board-Certified Response Chaplain by the Board of Christian Crisis and Trauma Response.



White, Virgil - Virgil is the Fire Chief and Paramedic for the City of South Charleston Fire Department (WV) where he has served since 1993. He is also a Fire Commissioner serving on the West Virginia State Fire Commission since 2009. Virgil is also a Fire Instructor II and teaches through West Virginia Public Service Training.



Young, David - David is the owner and founder of Public Safety UAS. He has operational experience, personal crisis management, and Drone technology expertise which has allowed him to develop training courses designed specifically with Public Safety personnel in mind. David has over 9 years of law enforcement experience specializing in complex violent crime investigations and tactics. He incorporates an educational philosophy grounded on area expertise while stressing the importance of safety and efficiency.



Lodging

Although we do not recommend any particular hotel, some of the closest ones are listed below. Please check with them for a special Sissonville Fire & Rescue School rate.

Camp Virgil Tate Lodge	Rocky Fork Road (Sissonville)	(304) 984-3311	7 MINUTES FROM CAMPUS
Sleep Inn	I-79 Exit 1 (Mink Shoals)	(304) 345-5111	10 MINUTES FROM CAMPUS
Hampton Inn	I-64 Exit 58-C (Charleston)	(304) 343-9300	12 MINUTES FROM CAMPUS
Embassy Suites	I-64 Exit 58-C (Charleston)	(304) 341-8700	12 MINUTES FROM CAMPUS
Charleston Marriott	I-64 Exit 58-C (Charleston)	(304) 345-6500	12 MINUTES FROM CAMPUS

Directions

From Parkersburg: Take I-77 South to Tupper's Creek Exit III. Make a right at the bottom of ramp onto Call Rd. Go approximately 1.5 miles to stop sign and make a Right turn on Sissonville Dr. (CR-21). Go approximately 1.5 miles to the stop light in front of Sissonville High School and make a left onto Martins Branch Rd. Go 50 yards and make the left hand turn to enter the Sissonville High School parking lot.

From Morgantown: Take I-79 South to I-77/I-79 split. Take I-77 North to Tupper's Creek Exit III. Make a left at the bottom of ramp onto Call Rd. Go approximately 1.5 miles to stop sign and make a Right turn on Sissonville Dr. (CR-21). Go approximately 1.5 miles to the stop light in front of Sissonville High School and make a left onto Martins Branch Rd. Go 50 yards and make the left hand turn to enter the Sissonville High School parking lot.

From Beckley: Take I-77 North through Charleston to Tupper's Creek Exit III. Make a left at the bottom of ramp onto Call Rd. Go approximately 1.5 miles to stop sign and make a Right turn on Sissonville Dr. (CR-21). Go approximately 1.5 miles to the stop light in front of Sissonville High School and make a left onto Martins Branch Rd. Go 50 yards and make the left hand turn to enter the Sissonville High School parking lot.

From Huntington: Take I-64 East to Cross Lanes Exit 47B. Continue on Goff Mountain Rd. through traffic light onto Big Tyler Rd. Go approximately 5 miles to traffic light at Rocky Fork Rd. and make a left. Go approximately 4 miles until a fork in the road at intersection of Kelly's Creek Rd. and Martins Branch Rd. Make a right onto Martins Branch Rd. and go approximately 4 miles and Sissonville High School will be on right just before the traffic light at Sissonville Dr. (CR-21).

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