

**19TH ANNUAL**

**FIRE AND RESCUE  
SCHOOL**



**MARCH 7-9 2025  
MARCH 14-16 2025**

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**WELCOME**

**CHECK IN TIME**

5:00 PM on Friday  
7:00 AM on Saturday  
and Sunday

We would like to invite all Fire, EMS, and Law Enforcement personnel to the **19th Annual Sissonville Fire & Rescue School**. This event will be hosted at **Sissonville High School** on the dates of **March 7th-9th and March 14th-16th**.

In past years, we have trained **OVER 800** first responders **PER YEAR** from West Virginia as well as other surrounding states.

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

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY:** General Assembly will be held on the first Saturday morning- March 8, 2025 at 7:45 AM.

**FREE T-SHIRT:** All students who submit their registration by February 17, 2025 will receive a free Fire School T-Shirt. **No T-shirt will be given to an individual who submits an application after this date or who submits one at the door.**

**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 your own. Free refreshments will be available on both Saturdays and Sundays.

# **Event Schedule**

## **Friday March 7, 2025 and Friday March 14, 2025**

- 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 8, 2025 and March 15, 2025**

- 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 9, 2025 and March 16, 2025**

- 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 7-9 and March 14-16, 2025)**

## **FIRE FIGHTER I (ONLINE/BLENDED LEARNING)**

**INSTRUCTOR: C.J. Scalf**

**Tuition, Textbook and Online Access Code: \$550.00**

**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 1, First Aid and CPR, Hazardous Materials Awareness, and Hazardous Materials Operations.

**Students must attend orientation weekend to take this course at the fire school. The orientation will be held on Friday, January 31 at 6pm, Saturday, February 1 at 8am, and Sunday, February 2 at 8am.**

**Class will meet on February 7, February 8, February 9, March 7, March 8, March 9, March 14, March 15, and March 16. On Friday's, class will begin at 6pm and on Saturdays and Sundays 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 16, 2025.

**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 MAY BE AN ADDITIONAL FEE TO BE PAID TO WV PST FOR THE LIVE BURN PORTION OF THIS COURSE. IT IS NOT INCLUDED IN YOUR TUITION.**

**COURSE 001**

**120 HOURS**

**Friday 6 PM**

**Saturday 8 AM**

**Sunday 8 AM**

# MULTIPLE WEEKEND COURSES

(March 7-9 and March 14-16, 2025)

## FIRE FIGHTER 2



**INSTRUCTOR:**  
**Scott Holmes**

**Tuition and Textbook \$325.00**

**Prerequisite: Fire Fighter I**

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Designed as the last step for interior structural firefighters, Firefighter II is based on performance objectives from NFPA Standard 1001, Firefighter Level II. This course consists of performance criteria in incident command implementation, building materials and collapse, vehicle extrication, technical rescue, fire hose testing, foam operations, flammable liquid/gases, fire detection and alarm systems, fire cause and origin, fire department communications, fire reports, pre-fire planning, strategy, and tactics.

### **SIX WEEKENDS**

**COURSE 002**  
**40 HOURS**

Friday 6 PM  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday 8 AM

## Driver/Operator Pumper



**INSTRUCTOR:**  
**Brock Roberts**

**Tuition and Textbook: \$330.00 Prerequisite: Fire Fighter I & 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 003**  
**40 HOURS**

Friday 6 PM  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday 8 AM

## Fire Officer 1 & 2



**INSTRUCTOR: Brent Burger**

**Tuition and Textbook:**  
**\$380.00**

**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.

**COURSE 004**  
**48 HOURS**

Friday 6 PM  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday 8 AM

# MULTIPLE WEEKEND COURSES

(March 7-9 and March 14-16, 2025)



## Hazardous Materials Technician

**INSTRUCTOR:** Mike Daley      **Tuition and Textbook:** \$345.00      **Prerequisite:** Hazardous Materials Operations

Hazardous Materials Technician prepares Operations-level responders for Technician-level Hazardous Materials certification. This course, based on NFPA 472 standards, provides participants with HAZMAT-specific response knowledge and skills, enabling them to respond safely and effectively to a suspected incident at the hazardous materials technician level. Participants receive hands-on training in donning and doffing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Levels A and B, containing leaks and drum overpacking, containing leaks in pressurized containers, and performing technical and mass decontamination. The course culminates with performance of these offensive-level tasks in an activity in which the participants apply the knowledge and skills learned in a simulated HAZMAT environment.

### **COURSE 005**

**50 HOURS**

Friday 6 PM

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday 8 AM



## Instructor 1 & 2

**INSTRUCTOR:** Jeff Elswick      **Tuition and Textbook:** \$350.00

**Prerequisite:** Fire Fighter I, 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 006**

**50 HOURS**

Friday 6 PM

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday 8 AM





# WEEKEND ONE-FRIDAY

(March 7, 2025)

## Hybrid/Electric Vehicle Responder- Awareness Level

**INSTRUCTOR:** Bobby Schneider

**Tuition:** \$200.00

**Prerequisite:** NONE

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.

### **COURSE 100**

**4 HOURS**

Friday 6 PM

Saturday N/A

Sunday N/A

## New Fire Officer Orientation & Fire Department Evaluation Process

**INSTRUCTOR:** Bradley "Sparky" Scott

**Tuition :** \$40.00

**Prerequisite:** NONE

This course will orient the new fire officer to the vast support resources available within West Virginia. It includes an overview of the State Fire Commission, State Fire Marshal's office, the fire incident reporting system, fire commission recognition/approval requirements, state funding approval, authority of fire departments, attorney general's opinion regarding junior firefighters, firefighter employee rights, emergency vehicle permits, firefighter license plates, smoke detector law for dwellings, carbon monoxide response protocol, requirements for fire officers and more. This session will also address the emerging evaluation process for fire departments.

### **COURSE 101**

**4 HOURS**

Friday 6 PM

Saturday N/A

Sunday N/A

## New Rope Rescue Equipment and Techniques

**INSTRUCTOR:** R.C. Fellows

**Tuition:** \$40.00

**Prerequisite:** NONE

As a rope rescue technician do you know what an MPD is? What about a Petzl I'd or an AZTEK? If the answer is no to the previous question then this class is for you. This class will go over some of the latest innovations in rope rescue. This class will challenge anyone who has been through rope rescue training.

### **COURSE 102**

**4 HOURS**

Friday 6 PM

Saturday N/A

Sunday N/A

# WEEKEND ONE-FRIDAY

(March 7, 2025)

## Night Time Vehicle Rescue

INSTRUCTOR: Darin Virag

Tuition: \$50.00

Prerequisite: Vehicle Extrication  
Ops/Level 1 or Firefighter 2

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.

### **COURSE 103**

6 HOURS

Friday 6 PM  
Saturday N/A  
Sunday N/A

## Pet First Aid & Disaster Response

INSTRUCTOR: Rod Johnson

Tuition and Textbook:  
\$65.00

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 training is geared toward 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.

### **COURSE 104**

4 HOURS

Friday 6 PM  
Saturday N/A  
Sunday N/A

## Rope Rescue Awareness

INSTRUCTOR: Mat Neil

Tuition: \$40.00

Prerequisite: NONE

This course 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.

### **COURSE 105**

4 HOURS

Friday 6 PM  
Saturday N/A  
Sunday N/A

# WEEKEND ONE-FRIDAY

(March 7, 2025)

## Swift Water Rescue Awareness

INSTRUCTOR: Ron Russell

Tuition: \$40.00

Prerequisite: NONE

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.

### **COURSE 106**

4 HOURS

Friday 6 PM  
Saturday N/A  
Sunday N/A

## The 1st Ten Minutes

INSTRUCTOR: Jeff White

Tuition: \$40.00

Prerequisite: NONE

Every Firefighter knows the first ten minutes of a call are critical. In this class, we will look at multiple aspects to assist departments in making the best of this time. Beginning with department structure we will work our way through running the call. We will discuss relevant NFPA standards, training and membership challenges, managing hose lines, forcible entry, reading smoke, scene size-up, and scene management.

### **COURSE 107**

4 HOURS

Friday 6 PM  
Saturday N/A  
Sunday N/A





# WEEKEND ONE-Saturday

(March 8, 2025)

## Commanding a Firefighter Mayday

INSTRUCTOR: Robert Avsec

Tuition: \$50.00

Prerequisite: NONE

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 110**  
8 HOURS

Friday N/A  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday N/A  
**1 ST WEEKEND**

## Fire and EMS Response to School Safety and Security Incidents

INSTRUCTOR: Jeremy Hatfield

Tuition: \$40.00

Prerequisite: NONE

**\*\*\* THIS COURSE WILL BE OFFERED IN TWO SESSIONS - ONE EACH SATURDAY. YOU WILL ONLY NEED TO ATTEND ONE SESSIONS, NOT BOTH. \*\*\***

This course is designed to educate the participant on current practices in public school safety and security methods/policies and to examine the proactive risk-reduction measures implemented in local schools. The course will cover subjects such as emergency planning and training, crisis plans, security hardware, active shooter precautions, bomb threat management, shelter in place drills, suspicious activity reporting, and cooperative programs with local first responder agencies.

**COURSE 111**  
8 HOURS

Friday N/A  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday N/A  
**1 ST WEEKEND**

## Man in Machine

INSTRUCTOR: R.C. Fellows and Lance Winstel

Tuition: \$175.00

Prerequisite: NONE

This class is focused around machinery entrapments. The class will give fire and EMS personnel the knowledge and skills to be able to free victims from various types of machinery. The class will also go over some of the most common entrapments and how to free a victim from the entrapments. This class will challenge all first responders from the new member to the seasoned veteran.

**COURSE 112**  
8 HOURS

Friday N/A  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday N/A  
**1 ST WEEKEND**

## WEEKEND ONE-Saturday

(March 8, 2025)

### Mass Casualty Incidents and Hazardous Materials Awareness

INSTRUCTOR: Jonathan Evans

Tuition: \$50.00

Prerequisite: NONE

Mass Casualty Incidents: This course includes Module I and Module II of the West Virginia Mass Casualty Incidents Course. It is required for certification and re-certification for First Responders, EMT's and Paramedics. Hazardous Materials Awareness: Hazardous Materials Awareness 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.

#### COURSE 113

8 HOURS

Friday N/A

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday N/A

**1 ST WEEKEND**

\*\*\* TWO COURSES. ONE DAY. ONE CLASS. \*\*\*

## WEEKEND ONE-SUNDAY

(March 9, 2025)

### Rescue Scenarios

INSTRUCTOR: R.C. Fellows and Lance Winstel Tuition: \$150.00 Prerequisite: NONE

Are you ready to challenge yourself? When was the last time you used rescue training? If it's been a while then this class is for you. This class is a scenario based training for anyone who has been through rescue training. The class will challenge you physically and mentally but will be a good learning experience.

#### COURSE 120

8 HOURS

Friday N/A

Saturday N/A

Sunday 8 AM

**1 ST WEEKEND**



# WEEKEND ONE- Saturday and Sunday Courses

(March 8, 2025-March 9, 2025)

## Live Burn Instructor

**INSTRUCTOR:** TBA

**Tuition:** \$150.00

**Prerequisite:** Fire Fighter 2

**\*\*\*THERE MAY BE AN ADDITIONAL FEE TO BE PAID TO WV PST FOR THE LIVE BURN PORTION OF THIS COURSE. IT IS NOT INCLUDED IN YOUR TUITION.\*\*\***

NFPA 1403, Standard on Live Fire Training Evolutions, involves specific requirements for pre-requisite training, evolution planning, development, implementation, supervision, and management oversight, monitoring, and records management of the live fire training evolutions in acquired structures, training center burn buildings, and a variety of exterior fire evolutions. This course will provide students with an introduction to the necessary knowledge, skills, and tools to properly prepare and conduct live fire training evolutions. The course includes an in-depth review of the 1403 Standard, addressing evolutions in acquired structures, gas fire training buildings/props, and exterior props.

### **COURSE 150**

**16 HOURS**

Friday N/A

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday 8 AM

**1 ST WEEKEND**

## Auto Extrication Awareness & Operations

**INSTRUCTOR:** Corey Carr, Ritchie Gobble,  
and Jonathan Mitchell

**Tuition:** \$125.00 **Prerequisite:** NONE

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.

### **COURSE 151**

**20 HOURS**

Friday N/A

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday 8 AM

**1 ST WEEKEND**

## Confined Space Rescue Awareness & Operations

**INSTRUCTOR:** David Ross and  
Travis Sandford

**Tuition:** \$125.00

**Prerequisite:** NONE

This course is designed for personnel who will respond to and perform limited entry and rescue operations or support technician level personnel during confined space entry and rescue operations. At the completion of this course, the student shall learn how to protect themselves, their team and their victims from the hazards within a confined space. Student will learn how to recognize and size up spaces and manage incidents appropriately, using the guidelines defined by NFPA and OSHA. Areas of focus will include environmental considerations, structural concerns, personal protective gear required and safety. Additional topics include victim transport and procedures for using ropes in a high angle environment.

### **COURSE 152**

**20 HOURS**

Friday N/A

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday 8 AM

**1 ST WEEKEND**



# **WEEKEND ONE- Saturday and Sunday Courses**

**(March 8, 2025-March 9, 2025)**

## **Engine Company Operations**

**INSTRUCTOR:** Darin Virag    **Tuition:** \$100.00    **Prerequisite:** Fire Fighter 1

This course will teach students the roles and responsibilities of the engine company. Tasks to be covered are pump operation and maintenance, engine placement at fires and rescue scenes, placement of hose streams and deluge sets, and use of deck guns and heavy streams. This is a combination classroom and hands-on course.

**COURSE 153**  
**16 HOURS**

Friday N/A  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday 8 AM

**1 ST WEEKEND**

## **EVOC- Emergency Vehicle Operations Course**

**INSTRUCTOR:** TBA    **Tuition and Textbook:** \$160.00    **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 154**  
**16 HOURS**

Friday N/A  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday 8 AM

**1 ST WEEKEND**

## **Fire Investigation Level 1**

**INSTRUCTOR:** Jason Baltic    **Tuition:** \$100.00    **Prerequisite:** NONE

This class is designed specifically to provide a clear definition of the role of initial responder organizations, and to provide essential knowledge to enable them to recognize the potential of an intentionally set fire, preserve evidence, and properly report the information to appropriate officials. The training course includes the following basic topics: fire behavior, critical observations of the first responder, fire cause, scene security and evidence preservation, legal considerations, and reporting of findings.

**COURSE 155**  
**16 HOURS**

Friday N/A  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday 8 AM

**1 ST WEEKEND**

# **WEEKEND ONE- Saturday and Sunday Courses**

**(March 8, 2025-March 9, 2025)**

## **ICS 300: Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents**

**INSTRUCTOR: Jeff White    Tuition: \$100.00    Prerequisite: ICS 100 and ICS 200**

This course provides training for personnel who require advanced application of the Incident Command System (ICS). This course expands upon information covered in the ICS 100 and ICS 200 courses. During a Type 3 incident, some or all of the Command and General Staff positions may be activated, as well as Division/Group Supervisor and/or Unit Leader level positions. These incidents may extend into multiple operational periods.

**COURSE 156**  
**21 HOURS**

Friday N/A  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday 8 AM

**1 ST WEEKEND**

## **Rope Rescue Operations**

**INSTRUCTOR: Mat Neil    Tuition: \$125.00    Prerequisite: Rope Rescue Awareness**

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.

**COURSE 157**  
**20 HOURS**

Friday N/A  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday 8 AM

**1 ST WEEKEND**

## **Confined Space Rescue Awareness & Operations**

**INSTRUCTOR: Jason Baltic    Tuition: \$100.00    Prerequisite: NONE**

This class is designed specifically to provide a clear definition of the role of initial responder organizations, and to provide essential knowledge to enable them to recognize the potential of an intentionally set fire, preserve evidence, and properly report the information to appropriate officials. The training course includes the following basic topics: fire behavior, critical observations of the first responder, fire cause, scene security and evidence preservation, legal considerations, and reporting of findings.

**COURSE 155**  
**20 HOURS**

Friday N/A  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday 8 AM

**1 ST WEEKEND**



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# 19th Annual - 2025 Sissonville Fire & Rescue School Registration

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
PERSONAL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ AGENCY PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_  
T-SHIRT SIZE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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

## MULTIPLE WEEKEND COURSES

- ☐ 001 - Fire Fighter 1
- ☐ 002 - Fire Fighter 2
- ☐ 003 - Driver Operator - Pumper
- ☐ 004 - Fire Officer I & 2 (Traditional Learning)
- ☐ 005 - Hazardous Materials Technician
- ☐ 006 - Instructor I & 2

### WEEKEND ONE

- ☐ 100 - Hybrid / Electric Vehicle Responder - Awareness
- ☐ 101 - New Fire Officer Orientation & FD Eval Process
- ☐ 102 - New Rope Rescue Equipment and Techniques
- ☐ 103 - Night Time Vehicle Rescue
- ☐ 104 - Pet First Aid & Disaster Response
- ☐ 105 - Rope Rescue Awareness
- ☐ 106 - Swift Water Rescue Awareness
- ☐ 107 - The Ist Ten Minutes
- ☐ 110 - Commanding a Firefighter Mayday
- ☐ 111 - Fire and EMS Response to School Incidents
- ☐ 112 - Man in Machine
- ☐ 113 - MCI and Hazmat Awareness
- ☐ 120 - Rescue Scenarios
- ☐ 150 - 1403 Live Burn Instructor
- ☐ 151 - Auto Extrication Awareness & Operations
- ☐ 152 - Confined Space Rescue Awareness & Operations
- ☐ 153 - Engine Company Operations
- ☐ 154 - EVOC - Emergency Vehicle Operations Course
- ☐ 155 - Fire Investigation Level I
- ☐ 156 - ICS 300 - Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents
- ☐ 157 - Rope Rescue Operations

### WEEKEND TWO

- ☐ 200 - Art of Reading Smoke
- ☐ 201 - Commanding the Tech Rescue Incident and Devel...
- ☐ 202 - Fire Behavior Lab
- ☐ 203 - Fire Officer I & 2 (Blended / Online Learning)
- ☐ 204 - Managing the Flood Response
- ☐ 205 - Traffic Incident Management Systems (TIMS)
- ☐ 210 - Aggressive Search Tactics
- ☐ 211 - BLS Instructor (CPR & First Aid Instructor)
- ☐ 212 - Fire and EMS Response to School Incidents
- ☐ 213 - NAEMT EMS Safety
- ☐ 214 - Recruitment & Retention: A Nationwide Problem
- ☐ 220 - VEIS: Vent, Enter, Isolate, Search
- ☐ 250 - Auto Extrication Technician
- ☐ 251 - Confined Space Rescue Technician
- ☐ 252 - EMT Refresher
- ☐ 253 - Fire Investigation Level 2
- ☐ 254 - Hunter Rescue
- ☐ 255 - ICS 400: Advanced ICS
- ☐ 256 - Rope Rescue Technician
- ☐ 257 - Rural Water Movement

## 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 may be an additional fee for supplies and the live burn portion of Fire Fighter 1 and other live burn courses that are not covered in the tuition cost.

SIGNATURE

DATE

## EARLY REGISTRATION IS DUE BY

**FEBRUARY 17, 2025**

**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**

**TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

## WEEKEND TWO- Friday

(March 14, 2025)

### Art of Reading Smoke

INSTRUCTOR: Darin Virag

Tuition: \$40.00

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.

#### **COURSE 200**

4 HOURS

Friday 6 PM

Saturday N/A

Sunday N/A

**2ND WEEKEND**

### Commanding the Technical Rescue Incident and Developing Technical Rescue Assets

INSTRUCTOR: R.C. Fellows

Tuition: \$50.00

Prerequisite: NONE

Commanding the Technical Rescue Incident: This class will cover what the incident commander needs to know when responding to a technical rescue incident. We will discuss aspects of all technical rescue disciplines. The class will help any incident commander when it comes to a technical rescue incident. Developing Technician Rescue Assets: In this class the instructors will discuss how to develop technical rescue assets. We will discuss training equipment and personnel needed to increase your rescue capabilities. The instructors will discuss how they increased the rescue capabilities within their own organization.

#### **COURSE 201**

4 HOURS

Friday 6 PM

Saturday N/A

Sunday N/A

**2ND WEEKEND**

**\*\*\* Two Courses | One Night | One Tuition \*\*\***

### Fire Behavior Lab

INSTRUCTOR: Darin Virag

Tuition: \$40.00

Prerequisite: Fire Fighter 1

The student will learn to understand the phenomenon of flashover; recognize the warning signs; learn nozzle techniques to delay fire development and progress; and ventilation's effect on interior room conditions.

#### **COURSE 202**

4 HOURS

Friday 6 PM

Saturday N/A

Sunday N/A

**2ND WEEKEND**

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## WEEKEND TWO- Friday

(March 14, 2025)



### Fire Officer 1 & 2 (Online Learning)

**INSTRUCTOR: TBA**

**Tuition and Textbook:  
\$430.00**

**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. This is an online course. Students will meet in class on this day only and the remaining course work will be handled online. You will schedule your written test with your local PST office.

**COURSE 203**  
**48 HOURS**

Friday 6 PM  
Saturday N/A  
Sunday N/A

**2ND WEEKEND**

### Managing the Flood Response

**INSTRUCTOR: Ron Russell Tuition: \$40.00 Prerequisite: Swift Water Awareness and Incident Command**

This one day course will cover topics specific to responding to flood type emergencies from a command or emergency management perspective. Topics will include assessing risk for flooding, response preparation, assigning incident priorities, managing resources, incident escalation, operational considerations, incident de-escalation, and demobilization. Table top exercises will help instill learning points. The course is designed for anyone who may serve in a command function on a flood event.

**COURSE 204**  
**4 HOURS**

Friday 6 PM  
Saturday N/A  
Sunday N/A

**2ND WEEKEND**

### Traffic Incident Management Systems (TIMS)

**INSTRUCTOR: TBA**

**Tuition: \$40.00**

**Prerequisite: NONE**

TIMS - Traffic Incident Management System - consists of a planned and coordinated multi-disciplinary process to detect, respond to, and clear traffic incidents so that traffic flow may be restored as safely and quickly as possible. Effective TIM reduces the duration and impacts of traffic incidents and improves the safety of motorists, crash victims and emergency responders. The TIM Program of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is part of a larger all-hazards program called Emergency Transportation Operations (ETO).

**COURSE 205**  
**4 HOURS**

Friday 6 PM  
Saturday N/A  
Sunday N/A

**2ND WEEKEND**



## WEEKEND TWO- Saturday

(March 15, 2025)

### Aggressive Search Tactics

INSTRUCTOR: Darin Virag

Tuition: \$50.00

Prerequisite: Fire Fighter 1

This course will address the specific challenges involved with searching single family dwellings while providing the students with a no-nonsense —tricks of the trade approach. The 10 practical skill stations will focus on Forcible Entry, SCBA Confidence, Advanced Search Techniques, Laddering, and Victim Removal Procedures.

**COURSE 210**  
10 HOURS

Friday N/A  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday N/A

**2ND WEEKEND**

### BLS Instructor (CPR & First Aid Instructor)

INSTRUCTOR: Rod Johnson

Tuition: \$200.00

Prerequisite: Current CPR Certification. Must complete online BLS Instructor Essentials Course before first day of class

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. All students must complete the online BLS Instructor Essentials Course before attending. 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.

**COURSE 211**  
8 HOURS

Friday N/A  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday N/A

**2ND WEEKEND**

### Fire and EMS Response to School Safety and Security Incidents

INSTRUCTOR: Jeremy Hatfield

Tuition: \$40.00

Prerequisite: NONE

This course is designed to educate the participant on current practices in public school safety and security methods/policies and to examine the proactive risk-reduction measures implemented in local schools. The course will cover subjects such as emergency planning and training, crisis plans, security hardware, active shooter precautions, bomb threat management, shelter in place drills, suspicious activity reporting, and cooperative programs with local first responder agencies.

**COURSE 212**  
8 HOURS

Friday N/A  
Saturday 8 AM  
Sunday N/A

**2ND WEEKEND**

\*\*\* THIS COURSE WILL BE OFFERED IN TWO SESSIONS - ONE EACH SATURDAY. YOU WILL ONLY NEED TO ATTEND ONE SESSIONS, NOT BOTH. \*\*\*



## WEEKEND TWO- Saturday

(March 15, 2025)

### NAEMT EMS Safety

**INSTRUCTOR:** Jeff White

**Tuition:** \$60.00

**Prerequisite:** NONE

NAEMT's 3rd edition EMS Safety course teaches students how to protect themselves and their patients while on the job. It promotes a culture of safety and helps reduce the number of on-the-job fatalities and injuries. EMS Safety is the only national, comprehensive safety course for EMS practitioners. Its interactive format features real-life case studies and compelling discussions on current safety issues and provides students with a forum to share their own experiences. Course activities allow students to apply critical thinking and best safety practices to EMS scenarios. This 8-hour course provides all 6.5 required operational hours for recertification. Tuition includes the cost of the card fee.

#### **COURSE 213**

**8 HOURS**

Friday N/A

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday N/A

**2ND WEEKEND**

## Recruitment & Retention: A Nationwide Problem

**INSTRUCTOR:** Dave Goldsmith

**Tuition:** \$50.00

**Prerequisite:** NONE

Recruitment and Retention is not just a local problem, it is a nationwide problem. This class is designed for anyone and everyone that has a desire to add and retain members to their organization. We will address local, state and national statistics on where we were, where we are, and where we are going. We will address obstacles that keep your department from recruiting, as well as the changing culture. Understanding generational roadblocks which is important in how you communicate with each generation. We will review some out of the box ideas on recruitment and address the ongoing retention issues. Attendees need to be prepared to work in group activities, and each attendee will need to bring your department and community information: (Department Run Volume, Number of Members, Size of Response Area Sq Miles, Residential, Industrial, Agriculture, & Population).

#### **COURSE 214**

**8 HOURS**

Friday N/A

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday N/A

**2ND WEEKEND**

## WEEKEND TWO- Sunday

(March 16, 2025)

### VEIS: Vent, Enter, Isolate, Search

**INSTRUCTOR:** Darin Virag

**Tuition:** \$50.00

**Prerequisite:** Fire Fighter 1

Vent-Enter-Isolate-Search (VEIS) is a deliberate tactic for the immediate rescue of a fire victim. This tactic puts us in the immediate area of victims, or potential victim locations. The skill requires crew coordination, knowledge of building construction and a full understanding of fire dynamics. This course will cover the skills necessary to successfully perform a victim rescue under live-fire conditions. The topics and skills include, size-up, building considerations, fire behavior, victim access, search and victim removal techniques. This will be a physically demanding class.

#### **COURSE 220**

**8 HOURS**

Friday N/A

Saturday N/A

Sunday 8 AM

**2ND WEEKEND**

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# WEEKEND TWO- Two/Three Day Courses

(March 14-16 2025)

## Auto Extrication Technician

**INSTRUCTOR:** Corey Carr, Ritchie Gobble, Jonathan Mitchell    **Tuition:** \$125.00

**Prerequisite:** Vehicle Extrication Operations or Vehicle Extrication Level 1

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.

### **COURSE 250**

**20 HOURS**

Friday N/A

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday 8 AM

**2ND WEEKEND**

## Confined Space Rescue Technician

**INSTRUCTOR:** Travis  
Sandford and David Ross

**Tuition:** \$125.00

**Prerequisite:** Confined  
Space Rescue Ops or Level 1

This course is designed for organizations and personnel responsible for confined space entry and rescue operations in a more complex environment. Personnel at this level will learn how to manage high risk, high profile confined rescue operations, including management of local, regional and federal rescue teams, size-up and operational strategy for confined space rescue. This is an advanced level course for the serious rescuer, operating at an expert technician level.

### **COURSE 251**

**20 HOURS**

Friday N/A

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday 8 AM

**2ND WEEKEND**

## Fire Investigation 2

**INSTRUCTOR:** Jason Baltic    **Tuition:** \$100.00

**Prerequisite:** Fire Investigation  
Level 1 / Arson 1

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 253**

**16 HOURS**

Friday N/A

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday 8 AM

**2ND WEEKEND**

# WEEKEND TWO- Two/Three Day Courses

(March 14-16 2025)

## Hunter Rescue

INSTRUCTOR: R.C. Fellows and Curtis Kyer

Tuition: \$200.00

Prerequisite: Rope Rescue Operations / or Rope Rescue Level 1

This class covers how to rescue a hunter that is in distress and stuck in a tree stand. The class covers common equipment and techniques used by hunters while they are hunting. Students will learn basic rope rescue techniques used to rescue a hunter. Students will also learn how to safely access a hunter that is stuck in a tree stand.

### **COURSE 254**

16 HOURS

Friday N/A

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday 8 AM

**2ND WEEKEND**

## ICS 400: Advanced ICS

INSTRUCTOR: C.W. Sigman

Tuition: \$100.00

Prerequisite: ICS 300

NIMS ICS 400 Advanced ICS for Command and General Staff is a course that is intended to provide training on and resources for personnel who require advanced application of the Incident Command System (ICS). It is designed for senior public safety personnel and will provide information on how they are expected to perform in a management capacity in an Area Command or Multiagency Coordination Entity.

### **COURSE 255**

16 HOURS

Friday N/A

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday 8 AM

**2ND WEEKEND**

## Rope Rescue Technician

INSTRUCTOR: Mat Neil

Tuition: \$150.00

Prerequisite: Rope Rescue Operations

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.

### **COURSE 256**

20 HOURS

Friday 6 PM

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday 8 AM

**2ND WEEKEND**

# WEEKEND TWO- Two/Three Day Courses

(March 14-16 2025)

## Rural Water Movement

**INSTRUCTOR:** Doug Estep  
and Jason Estep

**Tuition:** \$100.00

**Prerequisite:** NONE

This class will demonstrate to students how an effective water supply can be established and maintained using limited resources in a rural environment without fire hydrants. Concepts of rural water movement, tanker operations, drafting, and water supply will be covered using a simple yet practical demonstration. This course is a must for those challenged with protecting rural areas with no or minimal hydrant protection.

**COURSE 257**

**16 HOURS**

Friday N/A

Saturday 8 AM

Sunday 8 AM

**2ND WEEKEND**





# INSTRUCTORS



**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 20 years. He is also the Chief of the Silverton Volunteer Fire Department serving for 30 years making the rank of Chief in 2008. Jason is an IAAI Certified Fire Investigator and a NAFI Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator.



**Burger, Brent-** Brent is the State Training and Exercise Officer for the West Virginia Office of Emergency Management. He 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. 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



**Daley, Mike-** Mike has been in the Fire, EMS, Law Enforcement, and Safety fields for 47 years. He is a retired Fire Chief of the Eastwood Volunteer Fire Department in Wood County. He is currently employed by the West Virginia Division of Highways having worked in 28 federally declared disasters. He is on the committee for Emergency Operations and Critical Infrastructure and is a nationwide representative for the WV DOH. He is a supervising instructor for the Mountain State Education Cooperative serving for 45 years.



**Elswick, Jeff** - Jeff is a 32 year Veteran of the fire service. He is currently a Shift Captain at the 130th Airlift Wing Fire Department in Charleston WV where he has dedicated 23 years and serves as President of IAFF Local 4889. Jeff is currently a RESA and WVU Instructor of 20 years.



**Energy Security Agency** . - Energy Security Agency provides a well rounded but focused set of services to private and public sector industries who have various levels of interactions with lithium-ion batteries and stored energy technologies. ESA provides real-time guidance for responders operating at emergency incidents, battery burn testing & gas analysis, multi industry training, consulting for manufacturers, Risk Analysis for hybrid and electric vehicles post incident and emergency response planning for industry.



**Estep, Doug** - Doug is a 42 year fire service veteran. He is a founding member of the Morrisvale Volunteer Fire Department and has been Chief there for 41 years. Doug's department was featured nationally on GotBigWater.com as being the first rural volunteer fire department in the United States to have met the 1000 gpm fire flow for ISO by using a tanker shuttle. Chief Estep is a Fire Officer II, serves on the Executive Committee of the West Virginia State Fireman's Association, and has taught Rural Water Movement and Tanker Operations around the region. He is an instructor for WVU-FSE.



**Estep, Jason** - Jason is chief engineer of the Morrisvale (WV) Volunteer Fire Department with 26 years of service. He has a mechanical engineering degree from Fairmont State University and is currently employed as a senior maintenance planner for a major coal company.



**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.



**Fellow, R.C.** - "R.C. is currently the Fire Chief of the OR & W Fire District in Shadyside, Ohio. He was formerly a Captain and Training Coordinator for the Pleasant Valley Joint Fire District in Plain City, Ohio. R.C. is a member of the Jefferson County Technical Rescue Team and was a member Ohio Task Force 1. R.C.'s also a fire instructor for several organizations."



**Gobble, Ritchie** - Ritchie is currently a Lieutenant for the South Charleston Fire Department in South Charleston, West Virginia. He started his career as a junior fireman in Ripley, West Virginia. He is currently a certified instructor for the state of West Virginia and Spec Rescue International. Ritchie has numerous years of teaching and conducting aggressive truck company operations along the East Coast. He continues to remain a student of the craft.



**Goldsmith, Dave** - Dave has 36 years of fire service experience in volunteer and combination departments. He served the Highview Fire Protection District, spending 15 of those years as a volunteer and 20 years as a career member. He rose through the ranks from Firefighter to Chief, serving as Chief for the last 14 years of his career until his retirement in March of 2022. He was appointed to the Kentucky Fire Commission by Kentucky Governor Steve Beshear, serving as chairman of the education committee for 10 years.



**Hatfield, Jeremy** - Jeremy serves with the Kanawha County Sheriff's Office currently holding the rank of Sergeant. He is a U.S. Marine Corps Veteran and serves as an instructor in many disciplines.



**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 Firefighter / EMT. He works as a career Captain / 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.



**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 years 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.



**Kyer, Curtis** - Curtis joined the fire service in 1995 as a volunteer and has been at Cumberland Trail Fire District #4 in St. Clairsville, Ohio for twenty-six years where he is currently a Captain. He has an Associate's Degree in Fire and Emergency Services from Hocking College and has been an instructor and involved with rescue teams most of his career.



**Mitchell, Jonathan** - Jonathan is a Lieutenant with the Charleston Fire Department in Charleston, West Virginia, and an active member of the Ripley Fire Department, where he began his journey as a junior firefighter, and currently serves as Chief. Jonathan has over 14 years of experience in the fire and EMS service. Additionally, he serves as an instructor with West Virginia Public Service Training. He is passionate for sharing knowledge and experience, contributing to the development of firefighters across the state in various disciplines within the fire service.

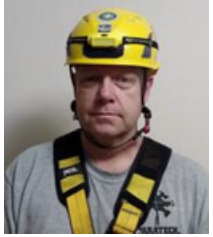


**Neil, Mat** - Mat began his career in 2006 as a Junior Firefighter with the Gauley River Volunteer Fire Department in Fayette County. In 2018, he was hired by the City of South Charleston Fire Department. He serves as a Lieutenant at both departments. Mat is also a National Registry Advanced EMT. He 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 Retired Captain for the Charleston Fire Department and currently services as the Chief of the Hurricane Fire Department.



**Ross, David** - Dave is a Career Firefighter / Paramedic for the City of Marietta, Ohio Fire Department. He has served in the emergency services profession since 1987 and O'Briens Safety-CS Rescue Team since 2008. He is a certified Ohio Fire Instructor and holds Technician level certifications in Confined Space Rescue, Rope Rescue, Hazardous Materials, TEPP/DOE Radiation, Trench Rescue, Swift Water Rescue, and Dive Rescue.



**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.



**Sandford, Travis** - Travis is a Career Firefighter with the City of Marietta, Ohio where he has served for the past 27 years. He has held an EMT-Basic certification for 32 years. Travis has been an Ohio Fire Instructor since 2013



**Scalf, CJ** - CJ is a 20+ year member of the fire service. Currently, he is a member of the Tyler Mountain Volunteer Fire Department in Kanawha County, West Virginia. Previously, he served with the Institute Volunteer Fire Department where he achieved the rank of Deputy Chief. He is a Fire Instructor with West Virginia Public Service Training



**Scott, Bradley "Sparky"**



**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.



**Virag, Darin** - Darin is a retired Captain from the Charleston Fire Department and has over 25 years of emergency service experience. He is a Supervising Instructor at West Virginia Public Service Training, and has spent the past 19 years teaching and mentoring students. Throughout his career, he has worked on developing training programs at both the state and national levels, and has also been a content and technical consultant for several national publications. and is pursuing a Master's Degree in Education. Darin currently teaches the Emergency and Firefighting Management Services Class at Putnam Career and Technical Center in Eleanor, WV.

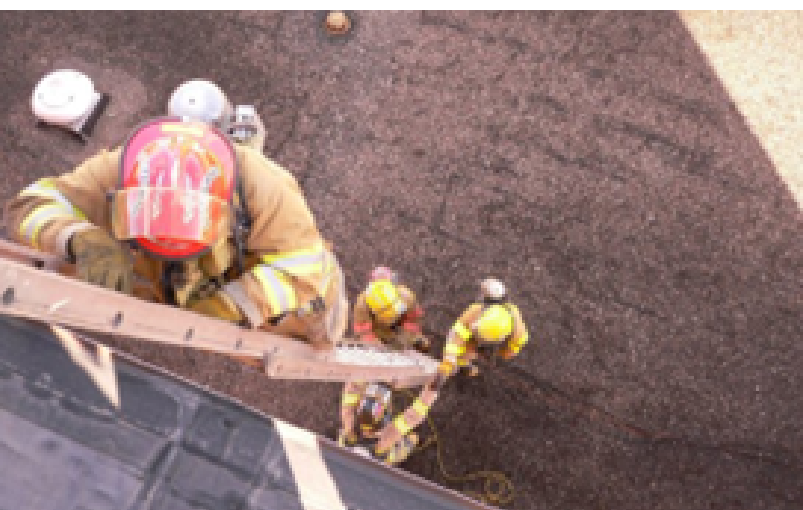


**White, Jeff** - With 28 years of emergency services experience, Jeff currently serves as the Director of Safety for HealthNet Aeromedical. Jeff is also an associate member of the Pinch Volunteer Fire Department. His career has involved, career and volunteer fire service in urban and rural environments, as well as a FEMA USAR team member. Aside from his duties at HealthNet, Jeff is an instructor for WVPST, an NAEMT author, a National Fire Academy Instructor, and a technical rescue instructor for Spec Rescue International.



**Winstel, Lance**-Lance has served the Toronto Ohio Fire Dept as a firefighter for 27 years. He's a team lead for Shell Emergency Response Team in Monaca Pa.. He is also a member of the Jefferson County Technical Rescue Team. Lance is a Fire Instructor for several organizations





# What to bring to class!

- **Fire Fighter 1** - Full PPE, SCBA, and Spare Bottle - Every day!
- **Fire Fighter 2** - Full PPE, SCBA, and Spare Bottle
- **Driver/Operator Pumper** - Full PPE
- **Fire Officer 1 & 2** - Laptop Computer
- **Hazardous Materials Technician** - Full PPE, SCBA, and Spare Bottle
- **Instructor 1 & 2** - Laptop Computer
- **Hybrid / Electric Vehicle Responder - Awareness Level** - NONE
- **New Fire Officer Orientation & Fire Department Evaluation Process** - NONE
- **New Rope Rescue Equipment and Techniques** - Rescue Helmet and Rescue Gloves
- **Night Time Vehicle Rescue** - Full PPE and Eye Protection
- **Pet First Aid & Disaster Response** - NONE
- **Rope Rescue Awareness** - NONE
- **Swift Water Rescue Awareness** - NONE
- **The 1st Ten Minutes** - NONE
- **Commanding a Firefighter Mayday** - NONE
- **Fire and EMS Response to School Safety and Security Incidents** - NONE
- **Man in Machine** - Rescue Gloves and Safety Glasses
- **Mass Casualty Incidents and Hazardous Materials Awareness** - NONE
- **Live Burn Instructor** - Full PPE, SCBA, and Spare Bottle
- **Auto Extrication Awareness & Operations** - Full PPE, Eye Protection
- **Confined Space Rescue Awareness & Operations** - SCBA, Spare Bottle, Gloves, Helmet, Eye Protection
- **Engine Company Operations** - Full PPE, SCBA, and Spare Bottle
- **EVOC - Emergency Vehicle Operations Course** - Apparatus from your department to drive is recommended
- **Fire Investigation Level 1** - NONE
- **ICS 300: Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents** - Laptop Computer
- **Rope Rescue Operations** - Helmet, Gloves, Boots, Appropriate Outdoor Clothing, Rescue Harness
- **Rescue Scenarios** - Rescue Helmet and Rescue Gloves
- **Art of Reading Smoke** - Rescue Helmet and Rescue Gloves
- **Commanding the Technical Rescue Incident and Developing Technical Rescue Assets** - NONE
- **Fire Behavior Lab** - PPE, SCBA, and Spare Bottle
- **Fire Officer 1 & 2 (Online Learning)** - Laptop Computer
- **Managing the Flood Response** - NONE
- **Traffic Incident Management Systems (TIMS)** - NONE
- **Rope Rescue Technician** - Helmet, Gloves, Boots, Appropriate Outdoor Clothing, Rescue Harness
- **Aggressive Search Tactics** - Full PPE, SCBA, and Spare Bottle
- **BLS Instructor (CPR & First Aid Instructor)** - NONE
- **Fire and EMS Response to School Safety and Security Incidents** - NONE
- **NAEMT EMS Safety** - NONE
- **Recruitment & Retention: A Nationwide Problem** - NONE
- **Auto Extrication Technician** - Full PPE and Eye Protection
- **Confined Space Rescue Technician** - SCBA, Spare Bottle, Gloves, Helmet, Eye Protection
- **Fire Investigation Level 2** - PPE to examine fire scene
- **Hunter Rescue** - Dress for the Weather, Rescue Helmet, Rescue Gloves, and Rescue Harness (recommended)
- **ICS 400: Advanced ICS** - Laptop Computer
- **Rural Water Movement** - NONE
- **VEIS: Vent, Enter, Isolate, Search** - Full PPE, SCBA, Spare Bottle

# Lodging

## **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 TO SISSONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL**

**From Parkersburg:** Take I-77 South to Tupper's Creek Exit 111. 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 111. 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 111. 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).

# **PLACES TO EAT IN SISSONVILLE**

**Tudors**

**Coastal Blends WV (Coffee, MegaTea,  
Protien smooties/shakes)**

**Bowles Boyz BBQ**

**La Roca Mexican**

**Bamboo Garden**

**McDonald's**

**Subway**

**Burger King**

**Wendy's**

**Gino's Pizza**

**Hussons Pizza**

**Pizza Hut**

**Backwoods Bar and Grill**

**Buddy B's Hotdogs**



**Zach Bess (304) 881-2702**

**Christian Shamblin (304) 542-6828**

**Bobby Fisher (304) 382-6816**

**Eddie Elmore (304) 552-4493**

**8 AM to 8 PM**

**9 PM to 9 AM**

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