



FAST TRACK CAREERS

Vernon College

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Continuing Education



2026-2027 Basic Firefighter Academy

**** THIS IS A SPECIAL ADMISSIONS PROGRAM ****

When the application becomes available, a link will be on the website, or a paper application can be picked up from the Continuing Education Office.

Completed applications must be returned to the Continuing Education Office by the deadline.

Applicants must speak to Rusty Downs at (940) 631-3260 in order to be considered.

- Pre-requisite: must be EMT-B certified or in a training program
- Minimum age 18 years old
- Must be a United States Citizen
- Must be a High School Graduate, or have a GED, or equivalent, or a letter of expectation of graduation from a High School Counselor
- Must have a valid Driver's License/ State ID
- Must not be under indictment for any criminal or civil offense or have a felony conviction
- Must not have Driving While Intoxicated (DWI), Driving Under the Influence of Drugs (DUID), or reckless driving convictions within the past 10 years
- Physical Examination
- Accuplacer – Reading & Arithmetic

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Course ID	Title	Days & Dates	Time	Location	Fees
LEAD1000	Workforce Development with Critical Thinking	MTWThFSSu/ TBA	Online	WFFD	\$266
FIRS-1001	Firefighter Certification I	TBA	Daytime	WFFD	\$420
FIRS-1007	Firefighter Certification II	TBA	Daytime	WFFD	\$420
FIRS-1013	Firefighter Certification III	TBA	Daytime	WFFD	\$420
FIRS-1019	Firefighter Certification IV	TBA	Daytime	WFFD	\$420
FIRS-1023	Firefighter Certification V	TBA	Daytime	WFFD	\$420
FIRS-1029	Firefighter Certification VI	TBA	Daytime	WFFD	\$485
FIRS-1033	Firefighter Certification VII	TBA	Daytime	WFFD	\$420
	TOTAL TUITION				\$3271.00*

**Tuition and fees are subject to change and do not include the cost of uniforms, gear, supplies, textbooks, Texas Commission on Fire Protection (TCFP) Certification Fee, Physical Examination, or applicable financial aid.*

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Additional costs (These are estimates and are subject to change):

- A. Physical Examination Cost - \$100.00??
- B. Accuplacer Exam Fee - \$20.00 (\$10 per section)
- C. Uniform - Uniforms may be purchased at The Uniform Shop on 10th and Brook, Wichita Falls.
Approximate cost for uniforms will be \$325.00 and there will be a requirement of 3 sets needed.
** Long sleeves are required if tattoos are visible.
- D. Textbooks - Essentials of Fire Fighting and Fire Department Operations 7th Edition
ISBN – 978-0-87939-657-2 \$110
Hazardous Materials for First Responders 5th Edition
ISBN – 978-0-87939579 \$105.00
- E. Rental Gear for Fire from Gear Cleaning Solutions, LLC = \$600.00
- F. Texas Commission on Fire Protection (TCFP) Certification Fee \$85.00

Approximate additional out of pocket expenses = \$1345.00