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Waco Fire Department Launches
Second Citizens Fire Academy

WACO, TEXAS (August 2, 2022) – The Waco Fire Department announces its second Citizens Fire Academy. The Academy will take place in the month of September and October with graduation coinciding with Fire Prevention Week.

Courses included in the academy will provide the residents of Waco with an interactive learning experience about vital services provided by the men and women of the fire department and will include lessons on increasing fire and life safety awareness. Participants will get to learn about the core job functions through classroom instruction, hands-on participation, and live demonstrations.

The application deadline is September 1st and classes will be held every Thursday from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. from September 15 - October 6 at the Waco Fire Department's Fire Training Facility, part of the Emergency Services Education Center (7601 Steinbeck Bend).

The Citizens Fire Academy is for McLennan County residents, 18 years of age or older, who are interested in learning more about how the Waco Fire Department is organized and conducts its operations.

Topics and activities:

- Waco's hiring and training process
- Apparatus familiarization
- Hazardous materials
- Urban Search and Rescue (USAR)
- Fire tactics and strategies
- Life-saving CPR training

The Fire Prevention and Community Risk Reduction division will give an overview of its operations as well.

The Citizens Fire Academy is limited to 25 participants and those selected must complete a waiver of liability and release form before attending the first class. Background checks will be conducted on all applicants. For more information, please contact Fire Administration at (254) 750-1740, or register at: waco-texas.com/fire.

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