

TRAVIS COUNTY

EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #1



JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER PROGRAM

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

We hope the following will answer any of your questions that were not answered in your Junior's *New Member Booklet*.

SUPERVISION

Junior Firefighters interact with Firefighters, Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and Paramedics and gain experience in a fire/rescue environment. The program Advisors offer students advice on the skills, responsibilities and educational requirements for fire and emergency services careers. The Coordinator and Advisors are all trained firefighters and/or EMT/Paramedic.

DROPPING OFF AND PICKING UP YOUR JUNIOR (For those not driving themselves)

Drop off:

- Please make sure that an Advisor is present before dropping off your child.
- Please let an advisor know if someone other than a parent is picking up your child.

Pick up:

- **Please make sure to pick up your child on time!** This goes for any function, whether it's training, fundraiser or public service activity.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Please update your emergency contact and medical information whenever changes occur.

FUNDRAISERS

Fundraisers are an important part of the Junior program. Without them we would not be able to do all that we do. The money that the Junior program raises goes towards their holiday party and special activities, purchasing gear and uniforms, costs associated with field trips, etc.

JUNIOR CLOTHING

The following is supplied by the to the Junior by Travis County Emergency Services District #1:

- Gray, Short Sleeve uniform shirt (for meetings, training and ride-outs)
- Gray, Long Sleeve uniform shirt w/black tie (all formal events and official photos)
- T-Shirt (for trainings/other functions)
- Black uniform duty pants
- Name plate and badge

Black boot (military/police style) footwear and black belt must be purchased by each individual.

*See the *New Members Booklet* for more information on uniforms/clothing.

RIDE-OUT PROGRAM

This program allows the Junior member to ride with the on-duty crew in fire/rescue apparatus on emergency calls and for training. Members must first complete required training before being authorized to participate in this program. Although it's not required, it is strongly encouraged that Junior members participate in this program.

PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECTS

The Junior Firefighters help out at several community functions through the year:

- The FireWise Program
- Special Events in the community
- Parades
- And other events

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Firefighting, by nature, is a dangerous job and so is some training. We take every step to ensure that all safety procedures and equipment are in place while conducting training exercises. We follow the same stringent rules and regulations as active duty Firefighters/EMTs/Paramedics.

QUESTIONS

If you ever have ANY questions, please feel free to contact **Lance Little, Program Coordinator/Advisor** at llittle@tcesd1.org.

Respectfully,

Lance R. Little

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