



# **Fire Academy Application Packet**

**Application packet is due June 1, 2019  
Cisco College**



## **Cisco College Fire Academy**

*"Training future firefighters; ensuring safer communities."*

Dear Fire Academy Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Cisco Fire Academy. Becoming a fire fighter is both challenging and rewarding. Currently there is a need for career-minded, motivated, community oriented, and self-driven firefighters throughout Texas. The Cisco College Fire Academy can provide you the tools to succeed, however the title "Firefighter" is something you will have to earn. Our program will offer you the opportunity to learn from professionals who are willing to share their many years of experience to ensure you are properly trained and prepared. Our instructors are highly trained and must meet the strict guidelines set-forth by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection and Cisco College. Being a firefighter is not like any other occupation; firefighters stand ready to answer the call for service, putting service to their community before themselves.

The Cisco College Fire Academy covers the requirements for basic structure fire protection certification through the Texas Commission on Fire Protection. Students who have met all the requirements of the Firefighter I and Firefighter II curriculum, as defined in NFPA 1001; Standard for Firefighter Professional Qualifications will be eligible to take the state examination. In order to satisfactorily meet these Professional Qualifications will be eligible to take the state examination. In order to satisfactorily meet these requirements, the fire fighter trainee must demonstrate mastery of all the knowledge, skills, and ability required by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection's curriculum.

Some subjects included are:

- Fire Science - Communications - Building construction - Firefighting tactics
- Water supply - Fire protection services - Fire inspections and investigations
- Rescue operations - Ventilation control and forcible entry
- Emergency medical operations

Again, thank you for your interest in the Cisco Fire Academy. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

John Brunett  
Fire Academy Coordinator  
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**Cisco College - Fire Academy Checklist**

**Application, documents, receipt of payment, and proof of immunizations must be in hand prior to acceptance. Incomplete packets will be returned to the applicant, and may delay enrollment in the programs. A spot is saved for the applicant when the application is complete and payment is paid in full to Cisco College Business Office.**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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- **Students MUST complete the Cisco College Application**
  - Go to [www.cisco.edu](http://www.cisco.edu)
  - Select Admissions
  - Complete the online application
- Fill out the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
  - **School Code:** 003553
- Cost \$3,634 (not including bunker gear, book or uniforms)
  - **MUST** have some kind of payment plan set up by 1st day of class.
- You will be notified of the date for the agility test. The agility test has to be completed with a satisfactory score to proceed to Fire Academy.
- Return Applications and required documents to:  
Team Workforce

Mychellya Shadle

*Coordinator of Workforce & Economic Development*

Phone: (325)794-4408      Fax: 254-442-5100

ATTN: Mychellya Shadle

717 E. Industrial

Abilene, Texas 79602

Room #13

# Cisco College Fire Academy

Cisco College's Fire Academy is a comprehensive, one-year program designed to establish the information and skills necessary to work in a fire department. Topics include: fire department communications, rescue operations, fire prevention, preparedness, and maintenance.

Students participate in outdoor classroom instruction and activities that require documentations of firefighter skills and physically demanding training. Additionally, clinical learning environments are provided to gain on-the-job experience in hospitals and with various ambulance services. Emergency Medical Services Professional Training is offered at TSTC during the first semester. Instruction emphasizes medical procedures required to assess and treat victims at the scene and en route to the hospital. Evening and weekend assignments are required. Both written and performance skills are necessary for evaluation/testing.

**Successful completion of the program is mandatory in order to sit for the Texas Firefighter Certification Exam.**

## Prerequisites

- Passing performance in the Agility Test
- EMT Basic Certification or Higher
  
- Complete application procedure in a timely manner
- Strong GPA; courses taken and passed with a "C" or better are viewed favorably
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## **Requirements:**

### **Students MUST have:**

- Official transcripts - High School and other colleges attended (official copies need to be sent to Cisco College)
- Signed Essential Functions Form and Cisco College Required Information Form
- Copy of Driver's License / Social Security Card
- Physician Release Form (form included)
- 10 Panel Drug Screen
- Provide us a copy of Background Check
- Copy of National Registry Emergency Medical Technician
- Copy of Personal Health Insurance Coverage (Cisco College does not provide personal health insurance coverage for students. Students must have some type of personal health insurance.)
- Copy of current immunization records: Please see attached checklist.

### **Provide proof of the following immunizations:**

- Current TB Skin Test (negative results)
- Proof Tetanus (within 10 years)
- Proof MMR Shot (2 series)
- Proof Varicella or proof of chicken pox
- Proof of Bacterial Meningitis
- Proof of Hep B Shot (3 series)

**\* All must be turned in as soon as possible\***



## Fire Academy Registration Form

717 East Industrial Blvd

Abilene, Texas 79602

(325) 794-4590

Please return to: Team Workforce

### Fire Academy Cisco-Abilene Campus

<b>Last Name:</b>	<b>First Name:</b>	<b>Middle Initial:</b>	<b>Preferred Name:</b>	
<b>Mailing Address:</b>	<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b>	<b>Zip:</b>	<b>County:</b>
<b>Contact Number:</b>  <b>Secondary Number:</b>	<b>Email:</b>			
<b>Social Security Number:</b>	<b>Driver's License Number &amp; State:</b>	<b>Gender:</b>	<b>Birthday:</b>	
<b>Citizenship:</b> <input type="radio"/> United States <input type="radio"/> Other _____	<b>Ethnic Origin:</b> <input type="radio"/> Caucasian/White <input type="radio"/> African American <input type="radio"/> Hispanic <input type="radio"/> Asian <input type="radio"/> American Indian/Alaskan Native <input type="radio"/> Other			
<b>Course #</b>	<b>Location#</b>	<b>Fee:</b>		

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## Emergency Contacts

### Primary:

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Last Name	First Name	Middle
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Address

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City	State	Zip
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Relationship	Phone #
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### Secondary:

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Last Name	First Name	Middle
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Address

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City	State	Zip
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Relationship	Phone
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## DOCUMENTING HISTORY OF ILLNESS: VARICELLA (CHICKENPOX)

### Amendment to § 97.67

*A written statement from a physician or the child/student's parent or guardian must support all histories of Varicella illness. The statement must contain wording such as: "This is to verify that (name of student) had Varicella disease (chicken pox) on or about (date) and does not need Varicella vaccine" or by serologic confirmation of Varicella immunity. The school shall accurately record the existence of any statements attesting to previous Varicella illness or the results of any serologic tests supplies as proof of immunity. The originals should be returned to the child/student's parent or guardian. If a child or student is unable to submit such a statement or serologic evidence, Varicella vaccine is required.*

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#### Documentation of history of illness: Varicella (Chickenpox)

1. A serologic confirmation of varicella immunity (positive varicella IgG result).
2. A written state from a physician, or a student's parent or guardian containing wording such as:

*This is to verify that \_\_\_\_\_ had Varicella  
(Child/Student Name)*

*illness (chickenpox) on or about \_\_\_\_\_ and does not need  
(Month / Year) the Varicella vaccine.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature) (Relationship to child/student)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

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## Fire Academy Agility Test Form

*The following outlines the competitive selection process and the primary rating tools used to award admission to the Cisco College Fire Academy. An agility Test, as well as an informal interview, will be administered to determine entrance into the Fire Academy.*

### Physical Capacity:

I understand that a student in the Cisco Fire Academy may be required to work under the following conditions or circumstances and meet or exceed the requirements of the physical conditions by providing a physician's statement indicating good health.

### Physical Abilities:

- Hold a department-issued chainsaw overhead for thirty seconds.
- Fully open and close a typical Abilene Fire Hydrant (clockwise open/counter-clockwise close).
- Drag a 5" supply line approximately 150 feet.
- Carry an Abilene Fire Department high rise hose pack and axe to the fifth floor of the drill tower.
- Drag a 250-pound mannequin twenty feet.
- Move a heavy piece furniture twenty feet.
- Hit a metal sled with a dead-blow sledge hammer (stimulates chopping a hole with an axe).
- Carry an Abilene Fire Department smoke ejector approximately 100 feet.

\*Students must wear a fifty pound weighted vest while performing these tasks. Please check with your physician prior to registering if you have concerns about performing these task due to health related issues.

\*Understand that the task used in the Physical Abilities are representative but not all-inclusive of the many varied tasks and conditions which may be encountered in training and work situations. The student must have the ability to maintain a rigorous and demanding schedule.

I have Read the above physical; abilities and believe that this individual is physically able to perform them.

**CISCO COLLEGE  
FIRE ACADEMY AGILITY TEST PHYSICAL CAPACITY**

Full Name:			
Date of Exam:		Student Id #	
Mailing Address:			
City:		State/Zip	
Phone Number:		Date of Birth:	
Age:	Height:	Weight:	
Marital Status:	MARRIED	SINGLE	DIVORCED      SEPARATED
Pelvic Exam (optional):			
Eyes: UNCORRECTED Right:	Left:	CORRECTED Right:	Left:
Ears: CONDITION Right:	Left:	Hearing: Right:	Left:
TEETH:		TONSILS:	
NOSE:		SINUSES:	
SKIN:		THYROID:	
POSTURE:		ORTHOPEDIC CONDITIONS:	
VARICOSE VEINS:		FEET: Right	Left:
HEART:		BLOOD PRESSURE:	
ABDOMEN:		HERNIA:	
Lungs:			
TB. TEST START DATE:	DATE READ:	FINDINGS:	

**IMMUNIZATIONS (DOCUMENT ANY COMPLETED AT TIME OF PHYSICAL)**

<b>Tetanus-Diphtheria-Td-TDap (within last 10 years):</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>Varicella Vaccine:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
<b>Measles, Mumps and Rubella - MMR (2 series) #1 DATE:</b>	<b>#2 DATE:</b>	<b>MENINGITIS:</b>	<b>DATE:</b>
<b>Hepatitis B Vaccine (3 series) #1 Dose Date:</b>	<b>#2 Dose Date :</b>	<b>#3 Dose Date:</b>	

**REMARKS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF PHYSICIAN**

Potential Defects Found: \_\_\_\_\_

Corrections Made or Recommended: \_\_\_\_\_

In your opinion, is this individual in suitable physical and emotional condition for training in Emergency Services as well as fire services? \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Physician Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Physician Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Essential Functions Standards

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security: \_\_\_\_\_

***The following outlines the competitive selection process and the primary rating tools used to award admission to the Cisco College Fire Academy. An agility test will be administered to determine the entrance into the Fire Academy.***

#### **Physical Capacity and other Requirements:**

I understand that as a student in the Cisco College Fire Academy, I may be required to work under the following conditions or circumstances and meet or exceed the requirements of the physical conditions by providing a physician's statement indicating good health.

##### *Physical Abilities:*

- Hold a department-issued chainsaw overhead for thirty seconds.
- Fully open and close a typical Abilene Fire Hydrant (clockwise open/counterclockwise close)
- Drag a dry 5" supply line approximately 150 feet.
- Carry an Abilene Fire Department high rise hose pack and axe to the fifth floor of the drill tower.
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- Carry an Abilene Fire Department smoke ejector approximately 100 feet.

***\*\* NOTE students must wear a fifty pound weighted vest while performing these tasks. Please check with your physician prior to registering if you have concerns about performing these tasks due to health related issues.***

##### Other Requirements:

- Understand that the task used in the Physical Abilities are representative, but not all-inclusive of the many varied tasks and conditions which may be encountered in training and work situations.
- Have the ability to maintain a rigorous and demanding schedule. Which include a minimum of 24 classroom/training hours per week.
- Understand that I will be asked to agree and sign a compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Cisco College Fire Academy as presented during orientation.
- Comply with all other application requirements as stated in the academy brochure and any State regulatory guidelines, policies and laws.

I understand that the above physical standards and other requirements are required for admission to the Cisco College Fire Academy Program. I hereby certify that I possess these physical abilities and agree to abide by the other requirements. I understand that if I am later found to be limited in these areas of physical ability or if I have purposefully misrepresented my abilities to gain admission to the program, I may be dismissed from the program by decision of the Executive Dean of Workforce and Economic Development with the concurrence of the Provost of Cisco College and TSTC personnel, I understand that successful completion of the Academy does not guarantee me a position with any Fire Department. I must follow proper application procedures with that department.

**CISCO COLLEGE ABILENE EDUCATION CENTER  
Fire Academy**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

ID # _____	Phone: _____	Email: _____
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**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED**

***The college does not provide personal health insurance coverage for students. Students must have some type of personal health insurance.***

Copy of Driver's License:	State/DL #/Expiration: _____
Copy of Social Security Card:	Social Security Number: _____
Receipt of Payment:	Date: _____
Official Transcript	HS: _____ College: _____

Physician Release	Date of Exam: _____
EMT Card or Enrollment Date:	Copy of Current EMT Certification or enrollment date: _____
Copy of personal health insurance:	Name of Insurance Company: _____
Background Check:	Date: _____
10 panel drug screen:	Date: _____ Passed: _____

**IMMUNIZATION RECORDS**

Tuberculosis-TB Test (within last 12 months)	Test Date: _____ Date Read: _____ Negative/Positive If positive-finding from CXR: _____
Tetanus-Diphtheria-Td-TDap (within last 10 years)	Date: _____
Measles, Mumps and Rubella - MMR (2 series)	Dose 1: _____ Dose 2: _____ Titer: _____
Varicella Vaccine - Chicken Pox	Date: _____ Proof of Disease: _____
Bacterial Meningitis Vaccination: (required 22 years and under)(within last 5 years)	Date: _____
Hepatitis B Vaccine (3 series)	#1 Dose: _____ #2 Dose: _____ #3 Dose: _____ Titer: _____
Signature: _____	Name: _____ Date: _____

**Reminder: All students must have taken EMT to start Fire Academy. There will be an interview as well as an agility test that will have to be passed before you are accepted into the Fire Academy.**

