CITIZENS’ FIRE ACADEMY

The Cedar Rapids Fire Department offers citizens a unique way of experiencing the firefighting career with the Citizens' Fire Academy. The Academy includes 15 hours of instruction and practical experience with the goal to provide citizens with a better understanding of firefighting activities.

Participants will find firefighting is more than putting out fires, often including rescue operations, emergency medical services, fire prevention and public education. Hands on activities during the Academy may include Vehicle Extrication, Emergency Medical Services, Hose Handling, Urban Search and Rescue and a Live Fire Burn.

The Academy is held every Wednesday from 6:00 - 9:00 PM over a five-week period. Class size is limited to 18 citizens.

The 2020 Citizens' Academy is scheduled to be Wednesday, June 3 through Wednesday, July 1. (Rain date TBD.)

There is a nominal $50 fee to participate, which helps the Cedar Rapids Fire Department defer costs of delivering this program.

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