



Xenia Township Fire Department

8 Brush Row Road, Xenia, Ohio 45385 (937) 372-7857

Explorer Post 29

Explorer Post 29 was established in 1978 for the purpose of providing youth participants with hands-on fire service training, work experience at fire stations and the opportunity to volunteer within the community.

The Explorer Post Program is a tremendous asset to the Xenia Township Fire Department. Post 29 has provided XTFD with an opportunity to train future firefighters and Emergency Medical Technicians. It is also an excellent way to gain knowledge about the fire service and its many opportunities within this career field, such as learning basic skills of a firefighter, as well as the opportunity to gain support, encouragement and insight into pursuing a career in the fire service.

Explorers are required to volunteer a minimum of 24 required obligations per year to the department and the program. This may be accomplished in a variety of ways such as teaching fire extinguisher training, or helping at our annual Open House, public events, Boy Scout functions and attending meetings and trainings.

Explorers may not respond to any type of call during the Xenia High School class hours from 7:00 am to 2:23 pm. Explorers may not be called to respond past 10 pm on school days, Sunday thru Thursday. Explorers are able to respond to building fires, and may be called to respond at all hours of the day, including early morning hours during weekends and when school is not in session.

Explorers are responsible for keeping track of, and caring for any issued uniforms and equipment.

Current requirements:

- Must be 15 to 21 years of age
- Complete the Post Application, including references
- Complete the entire interview process
- Must be able to complete simple tasks
- Must have reliable transportation (if you have a driver's license you must provide a copy of your driving record)
- Able to obtain CPR within six months after being accepted into the post

For more information about Explorer Post 29 call (937) 372-7857 or (937) 372-5336.

Fire Explorer

Summary of the overall purpose/goals of the position.

To respond to fire alarms, medical emergencies and other types of calls to protect life and property, to participate in a fire prevention program, training, station and equipment maintenance activities and to receive direction from higher level supervisory and management staff.

Physical Demands

In addition to the minimum requirements and the job duties listed for this position, the following are required: must be able to read printed material, communicate with others, sit, stand, stoop, and climb. Duties require sufficient mobility to work a typical fire operation setting.

Examples of duties:

- Respond to fire alarms with assigned company, lay and connect hose, hold nozzles and direct water streams and raise and climb ladders.
- Operate a variety of portable firefighting equipment, use hand tools, fans, salvage covers, forcible entry tools, self contained breathing apparatus, emergency medical and other rescue equipment.
- Be able to assist EMT and Paramedics and use related medical equipment.
- Participate in station maintenance duties.
- Perform most job skills and other related job duties.

Minimum Qualifications

Any combination of experience and training that would likely provide the required knowledge and abilities. Must become CPR certified within six months of acceptance.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

You will gain knowledge of basic firefighting principles, practices and procedures of modern firefighting by using fire apparatus, equipment, tools, electronic devices, facilities and their proper use.

Must be able to:

- Learn and analyze all types of emergency situations and to adopt an effective course of action
- Learn and operate radio communication equipment
- Learn and understand departmental policies, rules, guidelines and procedures.
- Learn and apply firefighting techniques
- Demonstrate physical aptitude at a level required by general firefighting activities
- Think and act quickly and effectively in emergency situations
- Understand and follow oral and written directions promptly and accurately
- Perform lifting and other physical maneuvers
- Able to communicate effectively by both oral and in writing skills
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work

Explorer Post 29 Application

Date _____

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____
Street City State

Home Phone(____) _____ Other Phone (____) _____

School/Education _____

Other affiliations _____
School activities, sports, groups, clubs

Parent emergency contact information:

Father _____
Home Cell Phone Work

Mother _____
Home Cell Phone Work

Preferred Hospital _____

Applicant Medical History _____
Allergies, Medications, Medical Problems

Family Doctor _____
Name Address City

___ **I GIVE MY CONSENT** for the Xenia Township Fire Department to treat my child in the event of an emergency while engaged in a Department or Explorer function.

___ **I DO NOT GIVE CONSENT** for emergency medical treatment to my child in the event of an emergency. Please provide care instructions.

Applicant Name _____ Date _____

References

List four people to whom you are not related and who have known you longer than two years.

Name	Time Known	Relationship	Phone Number	Best time to contact

I hereby certify that all statements contained in this document are true to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that all omissions or misstatements may be cause for the rejection or termination from the Xenia Township Fire Explorer Post 29, and the removal from the eligibility list to the Xenia Township Fire Department. I understand that Xenia Township Fire Department officials obtain the right to search my personal property in lockers and/or vehicles on Xenia Township property with probable cause. It is my responsibility to keep XTFD and Explorer Post 29 updated with current information on school grades and current address and/or telephone numbers. I authorize any verification of information submitted in this application.

Applicant Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

This application must be turned in to the XTFD offices or to an Explorer Advisor.