**Firefighter Minimum Standards Certificate**

Graduates of the Firefighter Minimum Standards Certificate Program are prepared to become a credentialed Firefighter after successful completion of the State of Florida Firefighter II Certification exam. This program provides training for Southwest Florida firefighters in partnership with the North Naples Fire Training Center. Students must satisfy the requirements set forth in NFPA 1001 and Florida State Statute 69A-37.

Firefighters control and extinguish fires or respond to emergency situations where life, property, or the environment is at risk. Duties may include fire prevention, emergency medical service, hazardous material response, search and rescue, and disaster assistance.

This 398 clock hour certificate takes six (6) months to complete. Classes are held in North Naples on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and on Saturdays. The cost for this course varies due to equipment needs. Approximately $4,100 will cover course application, gear rental (if needed), uniforms, books, testing, fingerprints, etc. Current occupational employment and wages data for Fire Fighters are published by the United States Department of Labor’s Bureau of Labor Statistics at <http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes332011.htm>

**APPLICATION DEADLINES:**

**Spring Semester Start –** Application due by **December 7**

**Summer Semester Start –** Application due by **April 7**

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:**

The Firefighter Minimum Standards Certificate Program has limited enrollment. The Firefighter Minimum Standards Program is a physically and mentally challenging course that includes extensive classroom and practical field components. Students must be physically prepared for the vigorous physical activity required to successfully complete the program. The Physical Ability Test (PAT) will ensure that all candidates entering the program have the physical ability to complete the course. Students must pass the Physical Ability Test prior to admission to the program.

Acceptance to Edison State College does not imply acceptance into the Firefighter Minimum Standards Certificate program. Each applicant must meet specific criteria which are listed in the admission policies. The Criteria for Admission Policies are available through the program office or through the School of Health Professions office at (239)489-9392. Admission applications are located at

<http://www.edison.edu/academics/certfireacademy/index.php>

Pre-admission requirements include satisfactory completion of the following:

* College-approved criminal records check and drug testing at the applicant’s expense

After acceptance, students must complete the following:

* Immunization and health report
* TB Skin Test
* Current Certification in American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers (CPR and AED)

**FIREFIGHTER MINIMUM STANDARDS, CERTIFICATE PROGRAM OF STUDY:**

Note: All courses in this certificate program are career and technical instruction (PSAV/postsecondary adult vocational) and are awarded Clock Hour Credit on the student transcript. The Clock Hours are not College Credit and do not count towards graduation.

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FFP 0020C Firefighter II Minimum Standards 192

**TOTAL PSAV PROGRAM, FIREFIGHTER MIN STANDARDS 398 CLOCK HOURS**