FIRE SCIENCE PROTECTION TECHNOLOGY

BASIC FIREFIGHTER CERTIFICATE COMPLETION PLAN

NOTICE TO STUDENTS REGARDING LICENSING - FIRE

Effective September 1, 2017, House Bill (HB) 1508 amends the Texas Occupations Code Section 53 that requires education providers to notify you a potential or enrolled student that a criminal history may make you ineligible for an occupational license upon program completion. The Texas Commission on Fire Protection website provides links to information about the licensing process and requirements.
Should you wish to request a review of the impact of criminal history on your potential Fire Suppression Certification prior to or during your quest for a degree, you can visit the Texas Commission on Fire Protection page and request a “Criminal History Evaluation.”
This information is being provided to all persons who apply or enroll in the program with notice of the requirements as described above, regardless of whether or not the person has been convicted of a criminal offense. Additionally, HB 1508 authorizes licensing agencies to require reimbursements when a student fails to receive the required notice.
Program Information: This certificate program was developed to help prepare students for a career as a professional firefighter. The Navarro College Fire Academy meets the curriculum requirements for certification as a basic firefighter for the State of Texas through the Texas Commission on Fire Protection.

REQUIRED COURSES

Note: Night students take two semesters to complete.

Course Section	Course Title	Credit Hours
FIRS 1301	Firefighter Certification I	3
FIRS 1407	Firefighter Certification II	4
FIRS 1313	Firefighter Certification III	3
FIRS 1319	Firefighter Certification IV	3
FIRS 1323	Firefighter Certification V	3
FIRS 1329	Firefighter Certification VI	3
FIRS 1333	Firefighter Certificate VII	3
Total Credit Hours		22
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A criminal background check and a drug screening are required of all Protective Services students enrolling in programs. A student convicted of a felony and/or misdemeanor offense may or may not be eligible for participation and/or state certification. Any student who has a positive drug screening must follow the policies of speaking with a Medical Review Officer and may, or may not, be dismissed from the program.
Students pursuing the Fire Academy should check with Financial Aid regarding details of Aid for all seven classes of the Academy. Program registration requirements, length, and mandatory uniform information can be obtained from the College’s website or the Protective Services Office.

Navarro College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award associate and baccalaureate degrees. Navarro College also may offer credentials such as certificates and diplomas at approved degree levels. Questions about the accreditation of Navarro College may be directed in writing to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, by calling (404) 679-4500, or by using information available on SACSCOC's website.