



The District of North Vancouver Firefighters Charitable Society (DNVFFCS) in partnership with the District of North Vancouver Fire, District Municipality are to introduce a Two day High School Cadet Firefighter Academy, presented annually in May.

We are currently looking at Sunday May 6th and Monday May 7th.

Junior firefighter programs give young people the chance to learn about local fire, rescue, and emergency medical services response organizations in a safe, controlled, educational, and fun way, while providing departments with an excellent recruitment mechanism. Reaching out to people when they are young has long-range effects, and encouraging youth to take part in the emergency services is extremely beneficial to local communities and departments.

This two day academy would create a unique opportunity of hands-on learning for School District 44 students in grades 11 and 12.

The Academy would be provided at no cost to the students. The students would be identified/ apply through the school guidance counsellors. We will have capacity for 2 students per school.

Initially it would provide life skills in an Emergency first aid certificate and fire education. Long term this would allow the Fire Departments to get to know potential candidates early in their career discovery process and provide an option to young adults for whom university is not in the cards. As well as build a relationship to those students that are in the at risk category.

To date, few students apply for the DNVFFCS scholarships which are given out to students primarily with the intention of furthering their career in a the fire department ; we believe this learning opportunity will excite more young adults about a career in fire service.

Further information and posters for your schools will be available in the near future, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,
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