



**APPLICATION FOR
BASIC FIREFIGHTER
CERTIFICATE PROGRAM**

SELECT THE ACADEMY YOU ARE APPLYING FOR:	
Fall Day Academy #102	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fall Night Academy #103	<input type="checkbox"/>
Application Due Date: May 28th, 2026	

All Applicants will need to:

1. Complete this application for the Fire Academy.
2. Complete Collin College Application at <https://www.applytexas.org/> and provide the college with all the required documents. (After your Collin College application is accepted you will receive an email (the one provided on applytexas) with a list of required documents for the college. Be sure to check your “junk mail” for misrouted e-mails.)
3. Make sure you select **Fall 2026 Undergraduate(two-year)** application on <https://www.applytexas.org/>
4. For first choice major select “Certificate in Basic Firefighter” this is under the heading of “Law and Public Service”
5. **Submit Completed Fire Academy Application by May 28th, 2026 at 12PM.**

Collin College Admissions Meningitis Vaccination Requirement

SB 62 requires most new students under the age of 22 entering a higher education institution to show proof of having the vaccine 10 days prior to the start of the term. For more information visit.

<https://www.collin.edu/admissions/meningitis/>

To expedite the processing of your application, please print clearly and answer all questions.

Note: Submission of incomplete or false information is grounds for withdrawal of an offer of acceptance, rejection of the application, cancellation of enrollment and/or appropriate disciplinary action.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date of Birth: ___ / ___ / ___

Campus Wide ID Number (CWID): _____ - _____ - _____

*** You will need a CWID before you can take the assessment tests. (See page 5.)**

Name: _____
Last First Middle Initial

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

Phone: _____
Home Cell Work

Email address: _____



EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

Please note that applicant must be in academic good standing with a 2.0 or higher College GPA/ or Military Service may be used as a substitute by submitting a DD-214.

Have you ever attended a college or university?
(This includes withdrawing from a college or university without obtaining a grade.)

YES NO

If yes, list all previous colleges attended. If you have attended multiple colleges, Collin College requires copies of every transcript.

College	City/State	Dates Attended

Are you currently, or have you ever violated the Student Code of Conduct or received a college disciplinary penalty while attending Collin College or any other college/university?

YES NO

Have you ever been on academic warning, probation, or suspension while attending Collin College or any other college/university?

YES NO

If you answered “Yes”, to either of the two questions listed above, please explain and include dates:

A background check will be made in connection with your application for admission into the Fire Science Education Program at Collin College. You will be given instructions to the on-line background website at a later time.



ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS, THEN SIGN AND DATE:

Have you ever been convicted of a crime, been assessed deferred adjudication for a crime or pled guilty or nolo contendere to a crime, or been convicted of any misdemeanor?

Yes _____ No _____

Have you ever been convicted of any crime involving the use, sale, possession or distribution of drugs or chemical substances?

Yes _____ No _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime for assault, burglary, or theft?

Yes _____ No _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime involving the misappropriation of fiduciary property or property of a financial institution, or securing document(s) by deception that is punishable as a class A misdemeanor?

Yes _____ No _____

If you have answered "Yes" to any of the above questions, please use the space provided on this form to state all charges, dates, and dispositions. Please note: Failure to disclose any convictions of a felony or misdemeanor including deferred adjudication, etc. on this form is automatic grounds for denial of admission or subsequent dismissal from the Fire Science Program and forfeiture of all fees paid.

I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. Formal application to the basic firefighter certificate program does not guarantee admission to the program or the college. I understand that false or misleading information in my application or interview may result in my release from the program.

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APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE **DATE**

Collin County Community College District is an equal opportunity institution and provides education and employment opportunities without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability or veteran status in accordance with federal law.



PHYSICAL ABILITY TEST RELEASE

EVENT 1: STAIR CLIMB

Task Description: The applicant shall climb a 2-story stairwell for a total of five times.
Time allowed: **4 minutes.**

EVENT 2: SLEDGE SWING

Task Description: The applicant shall repeatedly swing a sledge hammer in a chopping motion at a weighted object using enough force to move the object a total distance of approximately 5 feet.

EVENT 3: 1- 3/4" HOSE DRAG

Task Description: 4 connected lengths of 1 3/4" dry hose with a nozzle attached will be folded in a standard manner on the ground. The applicant will grasp the hose line and advance 75ft. in a straight line, make a 90 degree turn and continue an additional 25 ft. The applicant shall stop within the marked area and dropping to one knee, pull the hose line until 50ft. of hose is within the marked area.

EVENT 4: EQUIPMENT CARRY

Task Description: The applicant shall remove two saws from a tool cabinet and place them on the ground. The applicant shall then pick up both saws and carry them while walking 75ft., turn 180 degrees and continue walking back to the starting point where the applicant shall return the saws back into the tool cabinet.

EVENT 5: LADDER RAISE AND EXTENSION

Task Description: The applicant shall approach the top rung of a 24ft. extension ladder, lift the unhinged end from the ground, and walk it up hand over hand until it is stationary against a wall. The applicant shall then immediately proceed to a secured 24ft. ladder, and using the ladder Halyard rope extend the fly section to the top and then back down in a controlled hand over hand fashion.

EVENT 6: RESCUE

Task Description: The applicant shall grasp a mannequin approx. 165lbs and drag it 35ft. to a pre-positioned drum, make a 180 degree turn around the drum and return 35ft. to the finish line.

Total time allowed for Events 2-6: **5 minutes, 30 seconds.**

* The applicants shall walk 85 ft. along an established walkway to and between each event. Time continues to run during the walk between events. Remaining time from Event 1 may not be applied to Events 2-6. Applicants will wear a 50 lb. vest and two 12.5 lb. shoulder weights during Event 1, applicants will wear a 50 lb. vest during Events 2-6.

TO THE PHYSICIAN

I certify that _____ can participate in the six events described in the Physical Ability Test.

Licensed Physician's Signature: _____

Licensed Physician's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

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Telephone: (_____) _____

Date: _____

TESTING INFORMATION

Complete the Writing, Reading and Math Assessment Tests at any Collin College Testing Center. Candidates must meet the minimum score requirement on all assessment tests to be eligible for the Physical Ability Test.

The assessment tests are specifically designed for our programs and are not the same as the college entrance exams.

Everyone is required to take these tests.

You will need to obtain a Campus Wide ID (CWID) number before being able to take the assessments. Two attempts are allowed per semester.

The minimum scores are as follows:

- **Accuplacer- Next Generation WritePlacer – 4 (four)**
- **Accuplacer- Next Generation Reading – 250**
- **Accuplacer- Next Generation Arithmetic – 250**

To access sample questions for these tests, go to:

<https://accuplacerpractice.collegeboard.org/login> to get the FREE web-based study app.

Testing Center Information*

To register online go to:

https://www.collin.edu/studentresources/testing/availabletesting/emt_fire.html

You can also call the nearest Testing Center at the number listed for the campuses below:

Campus	Farmersville	Frisco	McKinney
Room	107	F209	W206
Phone	(972) 549-6450	(972) 377-1522	(972) 548-6849
Hours	Mon - Wed: 8 am - 5 pm Thur: 8 am - 7 pm Fri: 9 am - 5 pm	Mon, & Wed - Thur: 8 am to 5 pm Tue: 8 am - 7 pm Friday 9 am - 5 pm	Mon – Tue, & Thur: 8 am to 5 pm Wed: 8 am - 7 pm Fri: 9 am to 5 pm

Campus	Technical	Wylie
Room	A001	Campus Commons 201
Phone	(972) 553-1234	(972) 378-8849
Hours	Mon – Tue, & Thur: 8 am to 5 pm Wed: 8 am – 7 pm Fri: 9 am to 5 pm	Mon – Wed: 8 am to 5 pm Thur: 8 am – 7 pm Fri: 9 am to 5 pm

*Hours may be adjusted in relation to certain holidays. Contact the Testing Center of your choice for further information.

Applicants will need a picture ID as well as a Campus Wide ID Number. ****Last assessment will be given out three hours before closing***



ACADEMY OVERVIEW SESSION

The Academy Overview and Physical Ability Demonstration Session provides students the opportunity to learn about the Fire Academy, and participate in the various components of the required Physical Ability Test. Prospective students will learn about job opportunities, entrance requirements, and expectations while enrolled in the Fire Academy. A brief session explaining the Physical Ability Test will include a “hands-on” opportunity to handle the equipment used in the Physical Ability Test. **The Academy Overview session is not mandatory.**

ACADEMY OVERVIEW SESSION	Class #102 & 103 Academy
Date	Thursday, April 23, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. Public Safety Training Center, 3600 Redbud Blvd., McKinney, Texas

PHYSICAL ABILITY TEST DATES

Attendees must submit a completed Fire Academy Application including exam scores, signed Physical Release from a Licensed Physician (see page 4), and transcripts prior to participating in the Physical Ability Test.

You will be given a Physical Ability Test time when submitting COMPLETED application.

Class 102 & 103 Physical Ability Test Date	Saturday, May 30, 2026 at assigned time Public Safety Training Center, 3600 Redbud Blvd., McKinney, Texas
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INTERVIEW DATES

Date and times scheduled at the Physical Ability Test

Class 102 & 103 Interview Dates	Tuesday, June 9, 2026 Thursday, June 11, 2026 Check in at Room 103, Public Safety Training Center, McKinney, Texas
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COURSE DATES

	Mandatory Orientation	Start	End
Class #102 Day Academy	Friday, August 21, 2026 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	August 24, 2026	December 7, 2026
Class #103 Night Academy	Saturday, August 22, 2026 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	August 24, 2026	April 26, 2027

1. Completing this Application Form
2. In addition to the completed program application, the following items must be attached:
 - a. A College transcript showing a GPA of 2.0 or better, or Military Service may be used as a substitute by submitting a DD-214.
- 3. It is the sole responsibility of the applicant to provide complete information required on this application even when other areas within the college may already have the information on file.**

SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION VIA EMAIL TO KROUSE@COLLIN.EDU OR TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING CENTER ROOM 103 BEFORE MAY 28th, 2026 12PM.

Personal interviews are mandatory. Interview times will be given upon successful completion of the Physical Ability Testing. Candidates for the program will be selected based on the results of the interview process.

Successful candidates for the program will undergo a criminal background check prior to final enrollment into the program.

ACADEMY SCHEDULE:

Fall Day Academy	Monday - Friday (8:00 am - 5:00 pm)	One Semester
Fall Night Academy	Monday - Wednesday (6:00 pm - 10:00 pm) Saturday (8:00 am – 5:00 pm)	Two Semesters



Note: Students not already certified as an EMT- Basic will have the opportunity to enroll in EMT-Basic Courses (EMSP 1371, EMSP 1501, and EMSP1160) after completing Basic Firefighter Certification course work.

FUNCTIONAL POSITION DESCRIPTION

**Texas Commission on Fire Protection
Standards Manual**

§421.3 - Minimum Standards Set by the Commission

1. Structural fire protection personnel. The following general position description for structural fire protection personnel serves as a guide for anyone interested in understanding the qualifications, competencies, and tasks required of the fire fighter operating in the State of Texas. It is ultimately the responsibility of an employer to define specific job descriptions within each jurisdiction.
 - A. Qualifications. Successfully complete a commission approved course; achieve a passing score on written and performance certification examinations; must be at least 18 years of age; generally, the knowledge and skills required show the need for a high school education or equivalent; ability to communicate verbally, via telephone and radio equipment; ability to lift, carry, drag, and balance weight equivalent to the average human weight; ability to interpret in English, written and oral instructions; ability to work effectively in high stress situations; ability to work effectively in an environment with loud noises and flashing lights; ability to function through an entire work shift; ability to calculate weight and volume ratios; ability to read and understand English language manuals including chemical, medical and technical terms, and road maps; ability to accurately discern street signs and address numbers; ability to document in English, all relevant information in prescribed format in light of legal ramifications of such; ability to converse in English with coworkers and other emergency response personnel. Good manual dexterity with ability to perform all tasks related to the protection of life and property; ability to bend, stoop, and crawl on uneven surfaces; ability to withstand varied environmental conditions such as extreme heat, cold, and moisture; and ability to work in low or no light, confined spaces, elevated heights and other dangerous environments.
 - B. Competency. A basic fire fighter must demonstrate competency handling emergencies utilizing equipment and skills in accordance with the objectives in Chapter 1 of the commission's Certification Curriculum Manual.

End of Application Form



WE WILL NOT ACCEPT INCOMPLETE APPLICATION PACKETS!

APPLICATION CHECK LIST
(For Office Use Only)

- Application Received: _____ / _____ / _____

- Assessment Scores Attached:
 - Writing _____
 - Reading _____
 - Math _____

- Physician's Signature on application

- Information completed on pages 1-3 with student signature.

- All College Transcripts Attached or DD-214

- Physical Ability Test Date at assigned time on **Saturday May 30, 2026.**