

Raton Fire & Emergency Services Cadet Academy

Raton Fire & Emergency Services Cadet Academy is offering young adults interested in a public safety career the opportunity to begin their training in wildland fire operations and emergency medical response. During the summer session young adults from around the area will have the opportunity to complete all required training to become a certified wildland firefighter and New Mexico licensed EMT.



Cadets who attend the Academy are trained in wildland fire behavior, firefighting techniques, CPR and emergency medical technician training. The cadets are exposed to interactive scenarios that allow them to safely experience what Firefighters and Emergency Medical Technicians do on a daily basis.

Our Program is designed to motivate an interest in education and develop vocational skills as a guide to the future. The Academy is a paramilitary environment with a high level of discipline. Cadets wear uniforms, follow a strict Code of Conduct and become part of a team.



The training will take place at the Fire Departments training center located in Raton. The Academy will take place during the summer months of June, July and August.

The Academy instructors are currently employed firefighters and emergency medical technicians. The instructors and staff are dedicated to mentoring the cadets and guiding them towards a successful career in Public Safety.



The Academy is free of charge to all young adults in the area. Cadets must be 18 or older, or turn 18 by September 1, 2009. Cadets must be in good physical condition and will be required to obtain a physicians clearance prior to the start of the Academy.

Those interested in the program or if you have questions, please contact Captain Jim Mathews at 575-445-2708, Monday through Friday, 0800 to 1700 hours.

To apply submit an application to the Fire Department at 127 Clark Ave. Raton, NM 87740. City applications may be found at <http://www.ratonnm.gov> Follow the link for Public Safety to the Fire Department for the application. Applications may be also be picked up at City Hall or the Fire Department.