## **BILOXI FIRE DEPARTMENT**

#### FIRE ACADEMY FOR KIDS

"Fire Academy for Kids" is a five-day FREE participatory program for children ages 7 through 12, to be held at Biloxi Fire Department's Station #1 located at 170 Porter Ave. & the West End Hose Company #3 Fire Museum, located at 1046 Howard Ave, from June 6-10, 2016. The academy will be Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The academy is open to the public on a first come first serve basis. Children will develop life safety skills in fire safety and first aid through classroom activities, hands-on training and homework. They are also introduced up close and personal to firefighters, the equipment they use and the jobs they perform. Each day snacks and a beverage will be provided to the children. On the fifth day the children will review what they have learned and participate in a graduation ceremony.

"Fire Academy for Kids" is designed with two goals in mind: the first is to increase children's fire safety and first aid knowledge, and to provide them with a better appreciation of firefighters and their often-dangerous job.

The second goal for developing this program is to satisfy children's natural interest in firefighters and their jobs. It was felt that a better appreciation of firefighters will help children build and solidify a positive attitude towards safety thereby leading to increased fire safety and injury prevention behaviors. This aspect of the program will also provide information to a child thinking about a possible career in the fire/rescue service.

This program benefits the children and their immediate families with life-saving safety information, and provides them with an increased knowledge of the professional and caring attitude of their highly trained and competent Biloxi Fire Department.

It also shows them the caring attitude of different community and state/local agencies to work together. Volunteers such as MDOT, with their rollover vehicle will discuss seatbelt safety. The Biloxi Police Department will demonstrate their search/drug dogs and how your child can stay safe in this unpredictable world we all live in. EMT's will teach basic first aid and the Ocean Spring Fire department has volunteered their fire safety house. This group of individuals provides a quality service, which improves the likelihood of your kid surviving a fire. The goal of the Fire Academy for Kids is simple: prevented fires, prevented injuries and prevented deaths.

Be sure to sign your children up quickly, because the program is limited to the first 40 children registered. This program could save your family's life, it's FREE and it will be a lot of fun. Hope to see your child there!!

Deputy Chief Vincent Payne 170 Porter Ave. Biloxi MS. 39530 vpayne@biloxi.ms.us 228-435-6200 Work 228-435-6183 Fax

Please return registration & consent form to:

ATTN: Dep. Chief Payne Biloxi Fire Department 170 Porter Ave.

Biloxi, MS. 39530



Registration must be received no later than May 13, 2016 at 4:00pm.

**Contact Deputy Chief** Vincent Payne for further information at 228-435-6200

## **Registration Form**

## 2016 Fire Academy for Kids June 6-10, 2016 (8am-12pm) Held at West End Hose Company #3 Fire Museum 1046 Howard Ave.

## \*\*Open to Boys and Girls Ages 7-12

Cadet's Name:
Address:
Email Address:
Cadet's Age: Cadet's Birth Date:
Parent or Guardian:
Phone Number:or
Emergency Contact Name( s):
Emergency Contact Phone Number(s)
Does the Cadet have any food or drug allergies? Yes No
If Yes, List Allergies:
Does the Cadet have any medical, physical conditions or special needs?Yes No
If Yes, Please List:
T-Shirt Size: YS. YM. YL. YXI AS AM AI AXI

You must have a completed application on file and have been notified of acceptance before attending. An official from the fire department will notify you by phone of your acceptance. After the first 40 cadets have been accepted, the others will go on standby in order of receipt. Any vacancies will be filled from the standby list. Before completing applications please make sure you can attend if accepted. For more information contact Deputy Chief Payne at 228-435-6200.

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# 2016 FIRE ACADEMY FOR KIDS PARENT / GUARDIAN CONSENT FORM

I/We certify with full knowledge and consent that my/our child:
(Child's full name),
whose birthday is may participate in the Biloxi Fire Department's Fire Academy for
Kids on June 6-10, 2016. While I expect the fire department and camp staff to exercise
reasonable precautions to avoid injury, I / we do understand that neither the City of Biloxi,
the Biloxi Fire Department, nor it's employees are responsible for injuries sustained to
my/our child as a result of his/her participation in any of the activities of this academy. I/We
agree that he or she may participate in such activities under these conditions.
Parent's Day Phone:Alternate Phone:
Emergency Contact Name(s):
Emergency Contact Number(s):
Print Name of Parent/Guardian:
Signature of Parent/Guardian:
Date:

Parent consent form must be filled out and signed in order for your child to participate in Fire Academy for Kids Camp