

Welcome to Cedarville Township Volunteer Fire Department!

*Agenda/Topics We'll Cover in This Meeting:*

- **Membership**

- *Probationary Member*: First 12 months
  - This is your time to learn, ask questions & prove that you want to be here
  - Probationary Packet Overview (NOT a complete list)
    - State card, CPR, Hep B, NIMS 100, 200 & 700, SOGs, BBP
    - Cascade system; Standing Orders; rider on Medic, Engine, etc.
    - Maps, HAZMAT, Apparatus Operator
    - **Complete by the 1st Monday of the 12th meeting**
- *Association Member*: Brought onto the Association by Exec. Committee recommendation
  - Can vote on agendas, financial transactions, etc
  - Can apply for association positions (President, VP, Secretary, etc)
- *Department Member*: Appointed by Chief
  - A Department Member is one who goes above and beyond in training, attitude and performance. They have been deemed by the fire chief to have enough experience to confidently make decisions on a call and handle the administrative side of all runs.
- *Senior FireFighter*: Appointed by Chief
  - The senior FF is an honorary rank designated to the FF or EMS provider who, in the opinion of the fire chief, has made and continues to make significant contributions toward the betterment of the department.

- **Mark your calendar**

- *Association Meetings*: Second Tuesday of every month 8-9PM
  - Attendance is mandatory - must get an excuse from your section Lt 24-hours in advance
  - Dress code is dark pants w/ closed toe shoes and dept button up - if you have not received your uniform yet dress appropriately
- *Probationary Meetings*: Typically meet before association meetings, at 7:00 pm
  - Led by Probationary Coordinator
  - Time to ask questions, set goals and meet other probies

- **Training**
  - Minimum of 24 hours per year (expect more than minimum)
  - Training at Station every Monday 1830-2030 (alternate fire/EMS)
  - All members should *plan* to attend every applicable training (EMTs should attend all EMS trainings, FFs should attend all fire trainings, etc)
  - Attendance is not mandatory, but expected. An example of a legitimate excuses include class or work
  - Probationers should plan to dedicate at least 10 hours of training a month to the fire department
  - Members must maintain all applicable certs - state card, CPR, HAZMAT, etc.
- **Questions? Discussion:** Can you keep these requirements?
  - “Whether paid or volunteer, the community expects well trained professionals when they call 911. We expect all our members to train and better themselves continuously.”
- **Requirements**
  - **Calls**
    - 6 per quarter
  - **Cedarfest:** Labor Day Weekend
    - “All hands on deck” for Pancake Breakfast, Golf Outing, Parade, etc.
    - Mandatory w/o excuse (studying, other events, etc NOT excusable)
  - **Active in Probationary and Department**
    - Have an open line of communication with your Section Lt and the Association if any major life events occur
    - We want to help you succeed!
- **Relationship between Association and Department**
  - Association brings on new members and sets training requirements in order to supply trained members to the Department
  - Association manages meetings, events, money, and property for Department
- **Questions? Comments?**
- **We will contact you within the next week for any further questions and as a follow-up.**