

What is the Edmonton Fire Cadet program?

The Edmonton Fire Cadet program is an opportunity for high school students to learn about Edmonton Fire Rescue Services while developing the important life and leadership skills needed to become career firefighters with the City of Edmonton.

The program's mission is to enable cadets to better understand the firefighting career through an experience that balances both classroom and hands-on learning. Each Cadet will learn mental and physical wellness, a sense of self-responsibility, personal growth, leadership, teamwork, and fire prevention skills.

How does the application process work?

- + Applications are accepted between April 1–30 each year.
- + Selected students are asked to interview in June.
- + Successful candidates will begin the program in September.

Where can I get more information?

If you require additional information, please talk to your school practitioner or visit our website: www.edmonton.ca/firecadets

You may also contact the Fire Cadet office at 780-496-6454 or email firecadets@edmonton.ca to speak with a Cadet Training Officer.

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What do Fire Cadets do?

The Edmonton Fire Cadets program offers guided, hands-on learning experiences. Cadets will have the opportunity to:

- + Receive CPR and First Aid Certification;
- + Fight real fires in controlled scenarios;
- + Cut apart cars using vehicle extrication tools;
- + Practice search and rescue techniques;
- + Use rope rescue techniques to climb down a building;
- + Receive Fall Protection Certification;
- + Gain the opportunity to be tested and certified in NFPA 1001 Level 1;
- + And much, much more.

Through career internship and work experience, Fire Cadets have the opportunity to earn up to six (6) high school credits for their involvement in the program.

What is the time commitment?

Students are expected to make the Edmonton Fire Cadet program a priority. The course runs for a total of 12 months, beginning in September. The program is aligned with Alberta Education curriculum, following a two-semester course (2 levels) format.

Edmonton firefighters take great pride in being ambassadors in our communities while helping others in need. That's why our cadets are expected to complete 30 volunteer hours of community service to complete the program. Many opportunities are offered to complete this requirement.

Where are classes held?

Classes are held one night each week from 6 p.m. until 9:30 p.m., at either of the two locations:

- + **Edmonton Fire Rescue Training School**
(10420 157 Street)
- + **Edmonton Fire Rescue Training Grounds**
(18603 106a Avenue)

Students will need to find their own transportation to and from class each week.

What is the cost?

Through sponsorship with **ATCO**, the cost to students is minimal. There is a \$100 fee per semester. Funding support is available for those in need. All necessary uniforms and learning materials will be provided to cadets.

Is the program just for those who want to be a firefighter?

Not necessarily. The Edmonton Fire Cadet program helps students build many important skill sets such as leadership, resiliency, and teamwork. Some cadets will use this opportunity to build a foundation from which they will go on to become firefighters or to work in emergency response services. Other cadets will use the skills they gain to explore other career options. Regardless of where a cadet chooses to apply their skill sets, the program provides a great amount of personal growth to all involved.

Who should apply?

The Edmonton Fire Cadet program involves many team-orientated and hands-on learning activities. Students who attend high school in the Edmonton area and possess a positive attitude, a good work ethic, and a passion for physical fitness will enjoy and excel in this program.