

Campbell County Fire Department Policy

Support Operations

Cadet Program:
Incident Response



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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to provide the guidance for Cadet participation in response to incidents.

SCOPE:

This policy applies to all Cadets participating in the Campbell County Fire Department (CCFD) Cadet program.

POLICY:

The following applies to all Cadets ages 14-17.

- A. All transportation and supervision of Cadets must have:
 - a. Two adults and any number of Cadets or
 - b. One adult and two or more Cadets
 - c. Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) who are also CCFD firefighters may transport their Cadet son(s) or daughter(s) on a "one-on-one" basis. Parents or legal guardians may designate a relative who is a CCFD firefighter to transport their Cadet son or daughter with a prior written consent form.
- B. Cadets in good standing may ride on an Engine or Truck as the fourth or fifth rider at any manned Fire Station. They also may ride in command units, tenders, or any other support vehicle with the following stipulations:
 - a. Cadets may ride during the hours of 0600 to 2200 Friday and Saturday, hours of 0600 to 2000 Sunday through Thursday during Scheduled school days.
 - b. The company officer gives approval.
 - c. The cadet has appropriate personal protective gear (i.e. hard hat, Nomex jacket, safety glasses, gloves, and boots.)
 - d. If there is an available seat, Firefighters have priority over Cadets in all cases.
 - e. The parent or legal guardian of a cadet has given written permission.
 - f. The number of Cadets allowed to ride on the apparatus will be at the discretion of the Engineer or driver.
- C. On scene activities for Cadets will be restricted as follows:
 - a. Cadets will not be allowed to perform initial attack operations on any scene.

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- b. Cadets may only participate in support operations. Support operations include activities that are performed in the cold or warm zone of a scene and include staging, water supply, establishing scene privacy, mop-up, meal delivery, cleanup, and any other such operations.
 - c. Cadets may stay overnight in base camps for extended mop up and other operations the following day. The Incident Commander will ensure proper supervision and separation if necessary. Cadets will be allowed to stay on fires unless school or other family activities require them to return home.
 - d. Cadets may stay overnight if that cadet parent or legal guardian has given written permission.
- D. A cadet must wear full protective gear in order to participate in support operations. This will include, but is not limited to a hard hat, eye protection, gloves, and work boots. For Wildland calls additional gear will include the same as above plus a Nomex long sleeved shirt, Nomex pants, a wild land pack with a fire shelter, and ear protection.
- E. Cadets will not be permitted to respond by Privately Owned Vehicle (POV) to any emergency scene, regardless of their proximity to the scene.
- F. Cadets will not be allowed:
- a. To use power tools on any scene.
 - b. To carry or use fuses or any other backfiring devices.
 - c. To be subjected to any IDLH (immediately dangerous to life and health) environment.

The following apply to Cadets ages 16 and 17.

- A. May ride as a third rider on Grass and Brush Trucks during Wildland season provided there is an open seat. Cadets riding in this capacity must remain in the cab of the truck until such time as they can be placed in a safe, supervised area during initial attack. Cadets may not participate in suppression activities.
- B. During the summer season CCFD may hire up to two Cadets as temporary full time employees to assist the Wildland Crew in their daily duties. The hours and days of operation will be set by an agreement. These hours may be extended in the event of a Wildland fire.
- C. Cadets will not ride on the back under any circumstances of any Wildland apparatus.

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Parental permission to ride along on the following vehicles:

Engines, trucks, command vehicles, tenders, or support units.

I _____ grant my son/daughter Cadet _____

permission to ride as a Cadet on CCFD apparatus and support units in the event of a response to an emergency scene or Wildland fire.

Parent/Guardian

Date

Cadet Coordinator

Date

CCFD Chief or CCFD Division Chief

Date

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Parental permission to stay overnight on a Wildland fire:

I _____ grant my son/daughter Cadet _____

permission to stay overnight on a Wildland fire for further mop-up the following day. The IC has ultimate decision on whether a cadet will stay overnight or be released from the fire.

Parent/Guardian

Date

Cadet Coordinator

Date

CCFD Chief or CCFD Division Chief

Date

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I _____ grant permission for Cadet _____
To be transported on a "one-on-one" basis by the following relative(s) who are also CCFD
firefighters.

Parent/Guardian

Date

Cadet Coordinator

Date

CCFD Chief or CCFD Division Chief

Date