

		MUKWONAGO FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATING PROCEDURES	
EMT Student Ride Along Program		Approved by: Chief Jeffrey R. Stien	
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PURPOSE: The purpose of this policy is to provide a system of control and standardization to any interested EMT Student that wishes to experience the tasks associated with the Fire, Rescue, and EMS services conducted at the Mukwonago Fire Department.

SCOPE: This policy/procedure is to be followed by all officers and members of this department. Authority to deviate from this policy/procedure is the Fire Chief or designee of the incident.

A. Requirements

1. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age or older.
2. Applicants must not have any felony convictions and be of good moral character (A background check may be accomplished via information provided by the applicant on the application form).
3. Applicants must be sponsored from a technical college or be a current member of MFD.

B. Procedure

1. MFD Students shall have priority to ride along over a technical college student. It shall be the practice of MFD to monitor the Technical College school schedule online and notify when dates are not available due to MFD students riding along. *Note: no change can be made to the technical school calendar without 48 hours' notice.
2. All EMS students either associated with MFD or a student from a technical college will need to go through ambulance training: All equipment on that ambulance to have knowledge of the location and the use of said equipment.
3. In addition, MFD students will need to complete Blood borne pathogens, HIPPA, and Image Trend Software training.
4. MFD students will need to meet minimum requirements as set forth by Fire Chief or designee to be allowed to operate solo in the back of the ambulance.

Technical college requirements will be determined by the respective college. WCTC allows the student be precepted while on shift as long as the student is in the back with the approved preceptor and there is another EMT on the ambulance.

5. HFS 100.04 #1, a legal Wisconsin EMS crew must consist of a minimum of 2 licensed EMT's, of any level, from EMT-Basic to EMT-Paramedic.
 - A. The student does not count as one of the crew
 - B. The crew will consist of the Preceptor at the level of the student practicing, another MFD EMT and the student
6. Students will assist with all station duties and any duties assigned by the Fire Chief or designee.
7. The student will not be allowed to wander around the emergency scene unless you have the permission of the incident commander, and are accompanied by fire department personnel.
8. All ride along personnel shall receive a safety briefing by the respective Company Officer on duty prior to beginning the shift. The briefing shall include but not be limited to what is expected of the ride along during the shift, vehicle operation, mandatory seat belt use, high visibility safety vest use, and his/her responsibilities during the shift.
9. The on Fire Chief or designee has the authority to extend or terminate the student ride along at any time.