

*Ridgely Volunteer Fire Department
Junior Cadet
Membership Application*

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

Age: _____ Gender _____

School Attending: _____

Grade Level : _____

Hobbies: _____

Other Interests: _____

Emergency Contact Information: _____

Parents / Guardians Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number(s) _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number(s) _____

Below are a few of the rules and guidelines that will be followed.

- Junior Cadets will be restricted from visiting the station at their pleasure.
 - Junior Cadets ages 14 and 15 will be allowed to visit the station without an advisor Monday through Thursday, 6:30 pm to 9 pm, Friday and Saturday 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm, and on Sunday from 9am – 9 pm. PROVIDED a non-probationary member is in the station and will assume responsibility.
 - Junior Cadets ages 12 and 13 will be permitted to visit the station during scheduled and approved activities only.
 - Junior Cadets of any age may attend scheduled and approved activities provided their membership is in good standing.
- During the school year Junior Cadets are not allowed in the station after 9 PM on Sunday through Thursday nights (school nights) unless special events are scheduled.
- On Friday and Saturday nights, Junior Cadets will be permitted to be at the station until 10:30 p.m. unless prior approval of the Board of Directors is received.
- Junior Cadets must maintain a "C" average in school and show proof of their grades each marking term. If grades fall below a "C" average in school the Junior Cadets will be prohibited from all activities until grades improve and a minimum of two weeks pass.
- Junior Cadet Members shall not respond emergency to the fire station for any reason.
- Junior Cadets may be permitted to assist with Canteen operations through a rotational on call process limited to weekends, holidays and summer school vacations. Junior Cadets must be called to assist; they are not permitted to respond to the station without being contacted.
- Junior Cadet Members shall hold no vote in matters of the Fire Department.

- BEHAVIOR
 - ◆ 1st offense - Interview with advisor(s) – documented verbal warning
 - ◆ 2nd offense - Written warning to member and copy to the parents or guardian.
 - ◆ 3rd offense - Appear before the Company Board of Directors.
 - ◆ Junior Cadets may be dismissed from membership at anytime for poor behavior or poor participation.

ACTIVITIES / PROJECTS

- Learn fire safety, first aid and emergency preparedness,
- Assist fire department with certain non-hazardous activities.
- Organize and participate in fund raising activities specifically for the benefit of the Junior Cadet Program.
- Meet at least monthly and other times as needed and agreed by the program advisors.
- Under the direction of the program advisors Junior Cadets may assist with and participate in certain parades with the fire department.
- Attend certain department drills.
- Participate in other activities as determined appropriate by the program advisors.

I have read and understand the general rules and overview of the RVFD Junior Cadet program. I further agree to abide by the by-laws, various rules, standard operating procedures and guidelines of the Ridgely VFD.

Applicant Signature: _____

Parent(s) Signature: _____

Date: _____