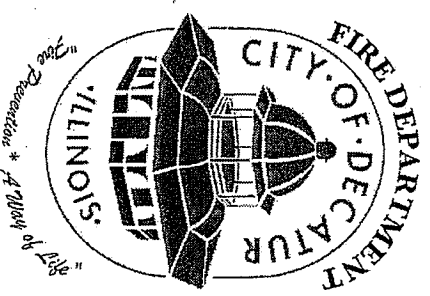


ATTENTION DECATUR AREA PARENTS!
The Decatur Fire Department & St. Mary's Hospital
Wants Your Child to be a Junior Fire Cadet This Summer!

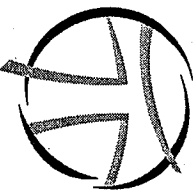


Who: The program is open to Decatur youth between the ages of 8 and 17 years old.

What: This is a program where firefighters and other responsible community leaders are presented as mentors and teachers of the many qualities necessary to build sound character, to live safely, and to be productive citizens of this community. In our curriculum, we include a broad spectrum of training in various areas of safety. We stress accountability, respect, and personal development through academic, physical and psychological challenges.

When: June 1 through the beginning of July, 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon, Monday through Thursday. Space is available on a first come first served basis. Applications must be completed as soon as possible, but not later than the end of May. Applications can be obtained from or returned to any Decatur fire station.

Where: Training site is Phoenix Academy, 1900 S. Cleveland Ave. Field trips to various locations scheduled each Thursday.



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Training includes: Fire safety, dog bite prevention, kitchen safety, railroad safety, electrical safety, bicycle safety, water safety, conflict resolution, social diversity, educational advantages/goal setting, ethics, youth conduct, respect for others, personal hygiene, gangs, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, juveniles and law, first aid, physical fitness, drill and ceremonies, use of fire extinguishers and other fire fighting equipment and tools, and much more. Cadets are tested and required to write an essay paper. Field trips provide exposure to various real life settings such as educational, workplace, environmental, correctional, political, recreational, etc.

If you have any questions, call Decatur Fire Department Fire Prevention Bureau at 424-2811 between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Mon. - Fri.