

PARAMEDIC / FIREFIGHTER

The City of Bedford Civil Service Commission will be seeking candidates for the position of Fire Medic. The city will require candidates to pass a firefighter physical agility test administered through the Western Campus of the Cuyahoga Community College. The City of Bedford has validated a passing time for this course to be completed in 4 minutes and 30 seconds, or less. A candidate must present a certificate of passing with a date not prior to June 9, 2013 and must have a valid Cuyahoga Community College Fire Fighter Physical Agility Certificate of passing filed with their application by 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 11, 2014 and maintain a valid certificate within one year of appointment. The tie breaker for rank will be the time the candidate completes the physical agility test.

Cuyahoga Community College offers a firefighter agility preparation class with a fitness instructor for a fee. To register for the exam, the class, and any information you may need pertinent to this exam, you may go to the City's website www.bedfordoh.gov, or pick up the forms at city hall or call C.C.C. at 216-987-5429 or 216-987-5060. The written Civil Service examination for Paramedic / Firefighter will be given at Ellenwood Recreation Center, 124 Ellenwood Avenue, Bedford, Ohio 44146 on Saturday, June 14th, 2014 starting at 9:00 a.m. Registration is to begin at 8:00 a.m. Applications may be picked up at Bedford City Hall Finance Department, 165 Center Road, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m., beginning Monday, May 5, 2014. Applicants will be fingerprinted prior to the exam for identification purposes.

FEE: There is a \$40.00 (non-refundable) fee for each applicant taking the written examination. The application must be returned with the fee in either cash or by money order. No personal checks.

The Bedford Civil Service Commission is requiring all applicants to be a Certified Paramedic (State of Ohio or National Registry) at the time of appointment and must retain certification during employment with the City. The Bedford Civil Service Commission will allow up to a maximum of 12 points added to an applicant's passing score (a minimum passing grade of 70% on the written exam) for the following certifications: (10 points) Ohio Firefighter Level I and II pursuant to provisions of O.R.C. Chapter 4765.11, (2 points) to a candidate with residency in the City of Bedford at least 6 months prior and up until the filing deadline of June 11, 2014, and (2 points) veterans credit upon filing a DD214 form with the application showing honorable discharge or honorable separation from active service in the Armed Forces in the United States. Proof of residency and military service must be presented at the time of filing. Applicants must provide a copy of their valid operator's license, a copy of their high school diploma, transcript from high school which verifies graduation, or G.E.D. Certificate, Ohio Firefighter Level I and II certificates, and proof of residency by Wednesday, June 11, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. The applicant must present completed application in person. Applications will be limited to the first 150 in regards to room size in accordance with prescribed fire code regulations. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States. The entrance examination for Paramedic / Firefighter is open to all qualified persons who have attained the age of 18 at the time of filing applications. Qualified applicants will be subject to extensive physical examination, polygraph examination, extensive background investigation, psychological examination, drug testing, and personal interview. Applicants must meet the criteria under the FBI's current Employment Drug Policy. Positive identification will be required at the time of examination. Please bring your operator's license.

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EMPLOYMENT DRUG POLICY

The FBI is firmly committed to a drug-free society and work place. Therefore, the unlawful use of drugs by FBI employees is not tolerated. Furthermore, applicants for employment with the FBI who currently use illegal drugs will be found unsuitable for employment. The FBI does not condone any prior unlawful drug use by applicants. We realize, however, some otherwise qualified applicants may have used drugs at some point in their pasts. The following policy sets forth the criteria for determining whether any prior drug use makes an applicant unsuitable for employment, balancing the needs of the FBI to maintain a drug-free workplace and the public integrity necessary to accomplish the FBI's intelligence and law enforcement missions. Applicants who do not meet the listed criteria should not apply for any FBI position.

Criteria

You can easily determine whether you meet the FBI's illegal drug policy by answering the following questions:

1. Have you used marijuana at all within the last three years?
2. Have you used any other illegal drug (including anabolic steroids after February 27, 1991) at all in the past 10 years?
3. Have you ever sold, distributed, manufactured, or transported any illegal drug?
4. Have you ever used any prescription drug or used a legally obtainable substance in a manner for which it was not intended within three years (36 months) preceding the date of the preliminary application for employment?

If you answered Yes to any of these questions, you are not eligible for employment with the FBI.

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EMPLOYMENT DISQUALIFIERS

There are specific elements that will automatically disqualify job candidates for employment with the FBI. The FBI Employment Disqualifiers are:

- Conviction of a felony
- Use of illegal drugs in violation of the FBI Employment Drug Policy (see the [FBI Employment Drug Policy](#) for more details)
- Default of a student loan (insured by the U.S. Government)
- Failure of an FBI-administered urinalysis drug test
- Failure to register with the Selective Service System (for males only)

Please note that if you are disqualified by any of the above tests, you are not eligible for employment with the FBI. All of these disqualifiers are extensively researched during the [FBI Background Investigation Process](#). Please make sure you can meet FBI employment requirements and pass all disqualifiers before you apply for an FBI position.

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FIREFIGHTER'S PHYSICAL AGILITY TEST INFORMATION

Cuyahoga Community College requires that all of the Tasks must be completed in (7) minutes or less for entrance into the Fire Academy. Check with each city you are applying for to find out their established times for the physical agility.

The firefighter's physical agility test consists of the following tasks over a timed course:

TASK 1 - Stair Climb with High Rise Pack

Carry a high-rise standpipe pack (2-50 foot sections of 1 1/2-inch hose weighing 50 pounds) to the third floor of the fire tower. Deposit the hose in the designated location. After Task 2 is completed, this hose will be returned down the stairs to the starting location.

TASK 2 - Hose Hoist

From a third story window, using a hand motion hoist a 50 foot donut roll of 2 1/2 inch hose (about 50 pounds) connected by 5/8 inch rope. This task will be completed twice.

TASK 3 - Forcible Entry

Using the Keiser Force Machine, and a nine-pound hammer, drive a steel beam 5 feet.

TASK 4 - Hose Advance

Pick up the nozzle and move a 1 3/4-inch charged hose straightforward 75 feet.

TASK 5 - Victim Rescue

Drag a 175 pound dummy a distance of 100 feet.

Cuyahoga Community College will issue a certificate of completion indicating the time it takes to complete the tasks. The class participants will be responsible for taking their certificate of completion to the jurisdiction for which they are applying. The certificates will be valid for one year. Applicants must be sure that the fire departments where they are applying for a position will accept the certificate as their standard.

Prerequisites for Firefighter Agility Testing

1. Must show photo proof of identification after passing the test. An Ohio Drivers License or State Identification Card is acceptable.
2. Must read and sign a waiver of liability.
3. Must complete a college non-credit registration form and pay a \$60.00 course fee prior to the test date.
4. Must be in excellent physical health. A physician's exam is not required but is highly recommended.

The firefighter's agility testing will be conducted outdoors. Applicants will be required to wear five-pound ankle weights to simulate the weight of firefighter turn out gear. An air tank will be worn during testing for weight only; it will not be used for breathing air. Applicants can furnish their own gloves or they will be furnished. A firefighter helmet must be worn. Helmets will be furnished. Applicants can furnish their own liner, if they prefer. A ball cap or skullcap will work. It is suggested that applicants wear physical training gear with long pants and athletic shoes with good traction.

Firefighting is physically demanding and at times extremely hazardous. Candidates are encouraged to do pretesting exercises that will assist them in completing the agility test.

Please note: Cuyahoga Community College does not assume any responsibility for any medical consequences that might arise from participating in physical agility testing.

**For information: call 216-987-5429 or
216-987-5060**

FIREFIGHTER'S PHYSICAL AGILITY PREP COURSE

FEE: \$125.00

TIME: 6:00 - 8:00 PM

LOCATION: Tri-C, West, Fire Tower

COURSE #30500 November 13, 20, 27, Dec 4, 11, 2013

COURSE #32458 January 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5, 12, 2014

COURSE #32459 February 26, March 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2014

COURSE #32460 April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2014

COURSE #32461 May 7, 14, 21, 28 & June 4, 2014

COURSE #32462 June 11, 18, 25, July 2 & 9, 2014

CLASS SIZE: 6 Minimum/25 Maximum

Cuyahoga Community College provides this 5 evening, 10 hour course to help train an individual for the Firefighter's Physical Agility Test. Participants will wear and use the same equipment that is required for the test. If insufficient enrollment, the course will be canceled. You will be notified by phone or postcard.

FIREFIGHTER'S PHYSICAL AGILITY TEST

FEE: \$60.00

TIME: Test time will be assigned when registering.

LOCATION: Tri-C, West, Fire Tower

COURSE #30504 December 15, 2013

COURSE #32502 February 16, 2014

COURSE #32503 March 30, 2014

COURSE #32504 May 4, 2014

COURSE #32505 June 8, 2014

Registration must be completed and paid prior to the test as explained below. Applicants must sign-in prior to start of the test. Late arrivals will not be tested. If insufficient enrollment, the test will be canceled. You will be notified by phone or postcard.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

All registrations will close 4 days prior to the start of the course. Applicants will be notified of testing time when registration and payment information are received.

To Register by mail: Complete the registration form enclosed. Make your check payable to and mail to Cuyahoga Community College, Fire Training Academy, 11000 Pleasant Valley Rd., Room G201, Parma, Ohio 44130.

To Register in person: Stop by the Fire Academy Office at the Western Campus of Cuyahoga Community College.

To Register by FAX: Payment must be by credit card
216-987-5468

To Register by phone: Payment must be by credit card
216-987-5429 or 216-987-5060

Registration Deadline: 5:00p.m., the Wednesday prior to the test date.

Refund Policy: Participants will receive a 90 percent refund if they withdraw prior to the test, no refunds thereafter.

Parking: Park in the lot to the right of the Fire Drill Grounds.

Directions to Campus: Exit I-71 at Bagley Road and go East. Exit I-77 at Pleasant Valley Road and go West. Exit The Ohio Turnpike at Exit 10 to I-71 North. The Campus is located at the corner of Pleasant Valley and York Roads, 11000 Pleasant Valley Rd., Parma, OH.

City of Bedford Civil Service Commission
Firefighter / Paramedic
Entrance Exam



Written Test Number _____

Print Name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Initial

Address: _____

Signature: _____

Application for position of City of Bedford Fire Department Civil Service Commission use only.

- Do not mark below this line -

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**YOU MUST BE A CERTIFIED PARAMEDIC
(STATE OF OHIO OR NATIONAL REGISTRY
BY THE APPOINTMENT DATE)**

Please check the following that apply to you. Maximum number of points (12)

Are you currently a certified Ohio Fulltime Firefighter I & II - Pursuant to Provisions of O.R.C. Chapter 4765.11?

Yes _____ No _____ **10 points**

Have you currently resided in Bedford since December 10th, 2013?

Yes _____ No _____ **2 points**

If yes please provide copy of proof of residence.

Military tenure? Must provide a copy of DD Form 214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty)

Yes _____ No _____ **2 points**

The City of Bedford requires a valid Ohio Driver's License upon date of hire.

Ohio Driver's License No. _____

Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes _____ No _____

BEFORE SIGNING THIS APPLICATION, READ OVER YOUR ANSWERS TO EACH QUESTION TO DETERMINE THE ACCURACY AND COMPLETENESS OF YOUR RESPONSES. THIS APPLICATION MUST BE NOTARIZED PRIOR A TO FILING IT WITH THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

"MY SIGNATURE WILL SIGNIFY THAT I WILL HAVE REACHED THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN BY THE FILING DEADLINE OF JUNE 11TH, 2014 AT 5:00 p.m. I SWEAR/AFFIRM THAT ALL STATEMENTS MADE BY ME ARE TRUE, COMPLETE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. I AM AWARE THAT ANY FALSE STATEMENT MADE BY ME WILL BE SUFFICIENT CAUSE FOR EXCLUDING ME FROM PARTICIPATING IN THE EXAMINATION AND/OR REMOVING MY NAME FROM ANY ELIGIBILITY LIST ESTABLISHED BY THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION AS A RESULT OF THIS EXAMINATION."

(date)

(applicant signature)

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE, A NOTARY PUBLIC, THIS

_____ DAY OF _____ 2014.

(Notary Signature)

(Notary Address)

**THE DEADLINE FOR FILING THIS APPLICATION
IS WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11TH, 2014 AT 5:00 P.M.**

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION USE – DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Certified Paramedic

Certificate No: _____

Ohio Full Time Firefighter Level I & II

Certificate No: _____

Physical Agility Certification

_____ *Yes* _____ *No*

Proof of residency

Type : _____

Proof of Military tenure

_____ *Yes* _____ *No*

Valid Drivers License

_____ *Yes* _____ *No*

High School Diploma (GED)

_____ *Yes* _____ *No*