



Marengo Fire & Rescue Districts

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Fire Department Ride-Along Program

Purpose:

The Ride Along Program allows community members to observe the daily operations of a fire station and gain firsthand experience of a firefighter's duties. This program is designed to promote understanding, encourage interest in fire service careers, and foster positive community relationships.

Eligibility:

- Participants must be 14-18 years old
- Must complete a Ride Along Program application and sign a liability waiver.

Program Guidelines:

- Appropriate attire is required: long pants, closed-toe shoes, and a plain shirt. No shorts, sandals, or clothing with offensive graphics.
- No photography, video, or audio recording without prior approval.
- Participants are observers only and are not permitted to participate in emergency operations.
- Any breach of conduct or safety protocols may result in immediate termination of the ride-along.

What to Expect:

- Observation of emergency response calls (fire, rescue, EMS, etc.)
- Exposure to daily station routines, training, and maintenance
- Opportunity to ask questions and interact with firefighters

Application Process:

- Complete the Ride Along Application form. Firefighter Ride-Along Program Application.pdf
- Submit the form and await the interview time with ride-along and his/her guardian.
- Attend the scheduled ride-along.

Contact Information:

For more information or to apply, contact:

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