



WAUBEKA FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.

APPLICATION FOR EXPLORER MEMBERSHIP

- *Fill out application form completely.*
- *Submit application to the chief.*
- *Arrange a time for an interview with the chief.*
- *Upon his/her approval, your name will be announced for Explorer membership at the next general meeting.*

Last name _____ First name _____ MI _____

Home address _____ City, State _____ ZIP _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

Email address _____

Social Security No. _____ Age _____ Date of birth _____

Wisconsin Driver's License No. _____ Expires _____

License Class: _____ I currently **do not** hold a valid Driver's License

Name of current school _____

Name of high school (if different from above) _____

Emergency contact _____ Relationship to contact _____

Contact address _____ City, State _____ ZIP _____

Contact home phone _____ Contact work phone _____

What is your reason for applying?

Do you have any previous with firefighting?

Are you involved in any sports or other extracurricular activities? (List)

It is the policy of Waubeka Fire Department to make school a priority with the Explorer program. If the Explorer's grades drop below a 2.0 grade point average (or standards-based equivalent) for during any term, the Explorer will be suspended until grades meet the acceptable standard.

"I understand that my grades are a priority, and I fully agree to place my school work above fire department activities. I further understand that I will have responsibilities with the Explorer program, and that I must meet the standards set forth."

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

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Date interviewed by Chief _____, Chief

Date received by Secretary _____, Secretary

Parent/Legal Guardian:

I understand that my son/daughter is applying to become part of the Waubeka Fire Department's Explorer Program. I also understand that a background check will be performed and that my son/daughter will be required to attend a minimum number of meetings and trainings throughout the year. I further understand that I must support my son/daughter in the venture to keep him/her focused on priorities of school work as well as the Explorer Program

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Please submit this application either in person or via mail to:

*Waubeka Fire Department
Explorer Program
W4114 River Rd
Waubeka, WI 53021*

**WAUBEKA FIRE DEPARTMENT
EXPLORER PROGRAM
GRADE POINT AVERAGE LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING**

Members of the Explorer Program sponsored by the Waubeka Fire Department must maintain a grade point average of 2.0 (or equivalent) or above at all times. Although the Waubeka fire Department desires the members of the Explorer Program to actively participate in the activities of the department, it strongly believes that the education of its member must come first.

Members whose grade point falls below 2.0 (or equivalent) average for two or more consecutive quarters (or trimesters) will have their membership status reviewed. Possible outcome may result in suspension or termination of membership.

Date _____

Advisor's Name _____

Advisor's Signature _____

Explorer's Name _____

Explorer's Signature _____

From the Bylaws of Waubeka Fire Department

SECTION 6. EXPLORER MEMBERSHIP

A. Eligibility: Any person between the ages of fourteen (14) and eighteen (18) years of age who is enrolled as a student in Grades nine (9) through twelve (12), and who is of good character shall be eligible for Explorer membership in the department.

B. Application: The applicant, along with his/her parents(s) or legal guardian(s), must fill out a provided membership form and submit same to the chief. The applicant, along with his/her parent(s) or legal guardian(s) shall then be interviewed by the chief. Upon his/her approval, the chief shall announce and declare the applicant as an Explorer Member of the department at the next monthly business meeting.

C. Authority: Explorer members shall be governed by the rules and regulations of the prevailing explorer post, by the *Waubeka Fire Department Standard Operating Guidelines*, and these bylaws.

D. Duties:

1. Explorer members must attend a minimum of one (1) Waubeka Fire Department fire or EMS (emergency medical service) drill per month.
2. Explorer members shall also assist with the fundraising efforts of the department.
3. Explorer members shall carry out such duties and assignments, appropriate in regard to their age and limitations, as ordered by the various officers of the Waubeka Fire Department.
4. Explorer members must maintain a grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or higher (based on a 4.0 point scale).
5. Explorer members may respond to fire calls, but shall not respond to any ambulance or rescue calls.

5.1 Explorer members shall not respond to fire calls during normal school hours.

5.2 Explorer members shall not respond to fire calls after 9:00 pm on evenings prior to school days.

E. Rights and Limitations:

1. Explorer members may attend meetings and social functions of the department.
2. Explorer members shall not have the right to vote or hold office.
3. Explorer members may be recognized to speak at meetings.
4. Explorer members may assist on committees, serving in an ex-officio role without voting rights.
5. Explorer members shall not be permitted to enter the fire station at times other than scheduled drills, meetings, functions, or emergency calls that are appropriate for the Explorer member, without the direct supervision of an adult.

F. Obligations: An Explorer member guilty of insubordination, sexual harassment, alcohol use or drug use/abuse, or any conduct unbecoming a lady or gentleman, shall be subject to reprimand and/or suspension as deemed necessary the chief. The Explorer member, and his/her parent(s) or legal guardian(s) shall meet with the chief to discuss his/her future membership with the department.

G. Discharge: Explorer members who fail to maintain their duties may have their membership terminated by the chief. Termination may only occur after a meeting with the Explorer member, his/her parent(s) or legal guardian(s), and the chief. The chief shall notify the Executive Board of such termination.