



2026 STATE FIRE SCHOOL



**JUNE 10-14
LEXINGTON**

- Hands-On Classes
- Lecture Classes
- Vendor Show

CENTRAL BANK CENTER

Register at: www.sfrtarea3.org

95th Annual Kentucky State Fire School

Conference-at-a-Glance

Wednesday, June 10, 2026

8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Aircraft Firefighting	Bluegrass Airport Training Cntr
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Rope Rescue	Lexington FD Training Cntr
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Trench Rescue Technician	Lexington FD Training Cntr

Thursday, June 11, 2026

7:00 am – 4:00 pm	Registration	Central Bank Center
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Classes in Session	
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Kentucky Fire Commission Meeting	Central Bank Center
5:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Kentucky FF Association Meeting	Central Bank Center

Friday, June 12, 2026

7:00 am – 4:00 pm	Registration	Central Bank Center
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Classes in Session	
2:30 pm – 6:30 pm	Exhibits and Vendors	Central Bank Center

Saturday, June 13, 2026

7:00 am – 4:00 pm	Registration	Central Bank Center
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Classes in Session	

Sunday, June 14, 2026

7:00 am – 12:00 pm	Registration	Central Bank Center
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Classes in Session	

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Fees

Registration fee \$90. All fees are due at time of registration.

Parking

Student parking is available on-site at the Central Bank Center in the High Street parking lot for a daily fee; overnight parking is disallowed.

Classroom Locations

Classes will be held at several locations throughout the Lexington area. Registered students will be notified of classroom location and additional information via email prior to the start of the school. **Students who have pre-registered and paid their registration fees should report directly to their class on the first day.**

Food Service

A food court is not available at Central Bank Center, and vending service at Central Bank Center is extremely limited.

Students participating in classes located on-premise at Central Bank Center will receive a lunch meal voucher for use Saturday during the school. This voucher will be good for \$11 toward purchase of food and non-alcoholic beverages through the venue's concessions provider. Voucher users will be responsible to pay for incurred costs over the \$11 voucher limit. ****Note that Central Bank Center is a cashless institution.****

Exhibits

The Exhibit and Vendor Showcase is the largest display of emergency service equipment, supplies, and services in Kentucky. Exhibitors come from several states showing everything from collectibles to fire apparatus. We appreciate the continued support of our vendors and exhibitors. State Fire School would not be successful if not for the devoted following of these loyal friends. Please take advantage of this opportunity to visit and get any questions answered at a face-to-face meeting. Also, please keep these vendors at the top of your list when it comes to purchasing apparatus and equipment for your department or organization!

Registration

Registration for the school is only available online.

Register via: <http://www.sfrtarea3.org>

Payment must accompany registration. All Registrations final. No refunds.

Register early to assure a spot in your first-class choice. Pre-registrations accepted until June 2, 2026. Classes without a significant number of students pre-registered on this date will be cancelled. After June 2, you may only register on-site at the school.

On-site registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis based on class availability. We strongly encourage early registration.

For students with on-site registration needs, registration will be located at Central Bank Center on Level 2 near the escalators. See "Conference-at-a-Glance" for on-site registration dates and times. Class information will be provided via email prior to the start of the school.

Travel to off-site locations is the responsibility of the student; transportation will not be provided.

****Announcements & updates concerning the 2026 State Fire School will be posted on the Fire Commission's website, mobile app and Facebook page****

Hotel Accommodations

Rooms are being held at the host hotel at the government rate of \$118/night. This rate is available until May 10, 2026, or when the event room block has filled. Room rate is based upon availability and cannot be guaranteed. **Note that there is no availability for rooms with double beds on June 9 or June 10; rooms with double beds are only available beginning June 11.**

Host Hotel:

Hilton Lexington/Downtown

369 W Vine Street
Lexington, KY 40507
(859) 231-9000

Rooms Available:

June 9 (very limited), June 10, June 11, June 12, June 13

Call-In Reservations:

(859) 231-9000 – and ask for group code KSFS26

Online Reservations:

<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/2026kentuckystatefireschool/>

Overflow Hotels:

Embassy Suites Lexington Green

245 Lexington Green Circle, Lexington, KY 40503
(859) 271-4000

Call-In Reservations:

(855) 744-3589 and identify you are booking for State Fire School

Online Reservations:

[Embassy Suites by Hilton Lexington Green](#)

Rooms Available:

June 9, June 10, June 11, June 12, June 13

Rooms must be reserved no later than May 19

Hampton Inn South Lexington Keeneland/Airport

3060 Lakecrest Circle, Lexington, KY 40513
(859) 223-0088

Online Reservations:

<https://group.hamptoninn.com/662oxi>

Rooms Available:

June 9, June 10, June 11, June 12, June 13

Free admission to Exhibit and Vendor Showcase!

2026 State Fire School Course Grid

X indicates day(s) courses are offered

Course #	Course Name	Special	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
	“Learn By Doing” (Hands-On Courses)						
101	Aircraft Firefighter	Off-Site	X	X	X	X	X
102	Rope Rescue Technician	Classroom Off-Site	X	X	X	X	X
103	Trench Rescue Technician	Off-Site	X	X	X	X	X
104	Confined Space Technician			X	X	X	X
105	“The First Line” Engine Company Operations	Skills Off-Site		X	X	X	X
106	Rapid Intervention Teams	Off-Site		X	X	X	X
107	Hazardous Materials Operations			X	X	X	X
108	Kentucky Urban Search and Rescue Operations – Shoring	Skills Off-Site		X	X	X	X
109	Kentucky Urban Search and Rescue – Lifting & Moving	Skills Off-Site		X	X	X	X
110	Advanced Rope Rescue – Wilderness Workshop	Off-Site		X	X	X	X
111	Inferno Ready: Tactical Firefighter Operations	Off-Site		X	X	X	
112	Vehicle Rescue & Winching Operations	Off-Site		X	X	X	
113	Advanced SCBA Operations: Air Management & IDLH Survival				X	X	
114	Junior Firefighter	Off-Site			X	X	X
115	Machinery Rescue				X	X	X
116	Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Drones)				X	X	X
	Leadership						
201	Fire Officer I	Hybrid (additional days virtual)		X	X	X	X
202	Fire Officer II			X	X	X	X
203	Decision-Making for Initial Company Operations				X	X	
204	Emergency Scene Size-Up						X
	Fire Investigations						
301	Arson I – Fire Investigations for First Responders				X	X	
302	Arson II – Fire Scene Investigations	Off-Site (Fri)		X	X	X	
303	Arson III – Legal Issues for Fire Investigators			X	X	X	

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	Fire Inspector & Fire Alarm/Sprinkler Industry						
401	Continuing Education for Fire Suppression System Inspectors			X			
402	Continuing Education for Fire Alarm Inspectors				X		
403	Fire Inspector I					X	
404	Fire Inspector II				X		
	Seminars						
501	Kentucky Urban Search and Rescue Fundamentals			X			
502	Reality of Short Company Operations			X			
503	Knowledge vs Understanding, The Why Behind What We Do (4 hrs – AM)				AM		
504	Basic Chaplaincy				X	X	
505	Public Information and Social Media Tools and Tricks					X	
506	Mobile Homes: Small House – Big Challenge (4 hrs – AM)					AM	
507	Community Risk Reduction (4 hrs – AM)					AM	
508	Leave It Better (4 hrs – AM)					AM	
509	Fast Food Restaurant Fires (4 hrs – PM)					PM	
510	Recruitment & Retention Ideas (4 hrs – PM)					PM	
511	Stronger Minds, Stronger Service: Addressing the Mental Health Challenges of First Responders (4 hrs – PM)					PM	
512	Lithium Battery Emergencies						X
513	Advanced-Level Chaplaincy: Funeral Preparation and Organization – Pastoral Care to the Grieving						X
514	Leadership Lessons from “Band of Brothers” (4 hrs – AM)						AM
515	Firefighter Cancer Support Network: You Fight Fire, We Fight Cancer (4 hrs – AM)						AM
516	Air Rescue: What Responders Need to Know (4 hrs – AM)	Off-Site					AM
517	In the Heat of the Moment: The Art and Science of Decision Making (4 hrs – PM)						PM

Course Completion Certificates will be delivered electronically to the email address provided at the time of registration. Note that the name on the certificate will appear exactly as entered on the registration form.

101 Aircraft Firefighting with Optional IFSAC Accredited Testing

The NFPA 1010 (1003) Standard for Airport Firefighter Professional Qualifications identifies the minimum requirements for a firefighter who has demonstrated the knowledge and ability to perform responsibilities in aircraft rescue and firefighting. The purpose of this program is to identify experienced fire service personnel who demonstrate competency in the performance requirements necessary to perform the duties of an Airport Firefighter. A person certified at the Airport Firefighter level will have demonstrated competency in the essential knowledge and skills to function as a firefighter at an airport facility. Fundamental aircraft rescue and firefighting techniques, use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), civil and military aircraft construction, critical components, hazards and systems, flammable liquid atmospheres, aircraft egress and ingress, aircraft fuels, crash scenes and incident management will be covered. Blue Grass Airport Regional ARFF Training Center welcomes students to their new Aircraft Simulator and renovated training facility. The new simulator provides more realistic training scenarios to further enhance the skills.

CERTIFICATION PROCESS

An attempt at IFSAC accredited certification is available, but not required, on the last day of class. Candidates will submit a completed application to the Kentucky Fire Commission. The candidate shall remit the prescribed written test sitting fee of \$50, payable by department check or money order. Candidates will attempt a computer-based written examination and participate in a skills examination. Upon successful completion of the written and skills exams, provided all documentation and fees are submitted, and pre-requisites are satisfied, the candidate shall become eligible to receive accredited certification from the Kentucky Fire Commission.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Prior completion of subjects listed on the Live Fire Course Competency Validation form. This form must be emailed to area3@kctcs.edu. To certify at this level (if you choose), candidates must already possess IFSAC Accredited Firefighter I and II certification and associated pre-requisites. Candidates wishing to test for IFSAC ARFF Certification must submit copies of their IFSAC Firefighter I and II certificates to the instructor on the first day of class. Full PPE & SCBA with a spare cylinder is required. All PPE must be less than 10 years old and SCBA cylinders must be within hydrostatic test date. Any student with facial hair that impedes the seal of the face piece will not be allowed to participate.

This course will be located off-site.

This 5-day course will be offered Wednesday-Sunday with skills testing available on Sunday.

Lead Instructor: Brian Wainscott, Blue Grass Regional ARFF Training Center

By submitting a registration to participate in this school, you agree to allow yourself to be photographed by fire school staff. These photos may be used by the sponsoring organizations in future promotions in print or electronic media.

102 Rope Rescue Technician

This class will start at the beginning and will cover Basic, Intermediate and Advanced rope rescue techniques as required to meet NFPA 1006 (2021 Edition, Chapter 5). Students should be physically capable of performing and demonstrating the skills required for meeting NFPA 1006 (2021 Edition, Chapter 5) and capable of working in the low and high angle environment.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Students will need leather form-fitting/snug gloves, leather lace-up boots, and a rescue or fire helmet with chin strap. Personal gear may be used but must pass instructor inspection.

*Classroom session will be held off-site; hands-on training will be held on-site.
This 5-day course will be offered Wednesday-Sunday.*

Lead Instructor: Bart Powell, State Fire Rescue Training District 15

103 Trench Rescue Technician

This five-day course is designed to offer a combination of classroom and practical evolutions that allow the student to learn proper techniques when dealing with trench collapse incidents. It will be a start-to-finish class to give the student knowledge and skills in trench **awareness, operations, and technician**, as addressed in NFPA 1006 (2021 Edition, Chapter 12). Students will work in straight, deep, "T", and "L" trenches using various shoring equipment. A heavy component of this class will be realistic hands-on operations, including below-grade work in a dirt trench.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

As per NFPA 1006 (2021 Edition, Chapter 12), a student should have Confined Space Rescue – Technician, Vehicle and Machinery Rescue – Technician, Hazardous Materials – Awareness, and High-Angle Rope Rescue – Operations. Students will need to bring a helmet, eye protection, gloves, steel-toed boots and outerwear (extrication coveralls, turnout gear **or** long-sleeved pants & long-sleeve shirt). Students are encouraged to bring their own hammer, but it is not necessary.

*This course will be held off-site.
This 5-day course will be offered Wednesday-Sunday.*

Lead Instructor: Marc Myres, State Fire Rescue Training District 6

104 Confined Space Rescue Technician

This course teaches students how to conduct a variety of rescues in permit-required confined spaces. Students will learn how to develop and update pre-plans, conduct practice rescues, inspect and maintain equipment, and coordinate with other emergency responders. This training will consist of classroom and hands-on field training.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Completion of a Rope Rescue course that meets minimums set forth in NFPA 1006 (2021 Edition, Chapter 7). Participants must bring a rescue helmet, gloves, and SCBA to this class.

This 4-day course will be offered Thursday-Sunday.

Lead Instructor: Brian Bullock, State Fire Rescue District 13

105 “The First Line” Engine Company Operations

This course will allow the firefighter to learn “HANDS-ON” fire hose operating and advancing skills during **LIVE FIRE** scenarios at ground level structure fires, below grade structure fires, car fires, and bobtail propane tank fires using the Kentucky Fire Commission Fireblast Trailers, car fire burn props and other propane burn props. This course will offer great training delivered to the new firefighter that has not yet had a chance to work a fire at these types of incidents, or for the firefighter seeking to polish their skills and learn new techniques for operating fire hose during live fire scenarios.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Students should be prepared for training in full turnout gear and SCBA while on air and must have prior completion of subjects listed on the Live Fire Course Competency Validation form. This form **MUST** be signed by the Fire Chief and/or Training officer, and emailed to area3@kctcs.edu. Full PPE & SCBA with a spare cylinder is required. All PPE must be less than 10 years old and SCBA cylinders within hydrostatic test date. Any student with facial hair that impedes the seal of the face piece will not be allowed to participate per NFPA 1500 and NFPA 1403.

*Classroom session for this class will be held on-site; hands-on training will be held off-site.
This 4-day course will be offered Thursday-Sunday.*

Co-Instructor: Byron Coffman, State Fire Rescue Training District 14

Co-Instructor: Nate Looney, State Fire Rescue Training District 14

106 Rapid Intervention Teams

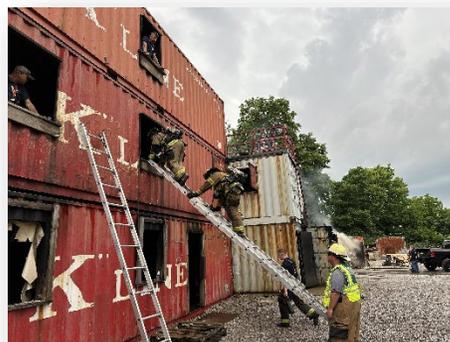
This advanced four-day class is designed for the experienced firefighter who wants to expand their knowledge, skills, and performance during RIT operations. The RIT classroom portion consists of various topics focusing on theory, preventative RIT operations, thermal imaging, and basic equipment utilized in RIT operations. This hands-on training course is EXTREMELY demanding, both mentally and physically. Hands-On Training evolutions reinforce and develop the skills of firefighter survival and rescue, mayday procedures, and RIT operations. Training will conclude with increasingly difficult scenarios utilizing basic skills and tools.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Prior completion of subjects listed on the Live Fire Course Competency Validation form. This form must be emailed to area3@kctcs.edu. Full PPE & SCBA with a spare cylinder are required. All PPE must be less than 10 years old and SCBA cylinders within hydrostatic date. Any student with facial hair that impedes the seal of the face piece will not be allowed to participate.

*This course will be held off-site.
This 4-day course will be offered Thursday-Sunday.*

Lead Instructor: Dustin Whited, Lexington Division of Fire and Emergency Services



107 Hazardous Materials Operations (with Accredited Certification Testing)

These courses are to provide first responders with the information they need to take appropriate initial action when hazardous material incidents are encountered. Hazardous Material Awareness provides information to first responders to recognize the presence of hazardous materials, protect themselves, call for help, and deny entry to an area. Hazardous Materials Operations provides information for first responders to recognize the presence of hazardous materials, respond in a defensive mode to control the release and spread of the product, thereby protecting nearby persons, the environment and property. Practical exercises will be a component of this class.

CERTIFICATION PROCESS

Candidates may attempt written and skills testing for IFSAC Hazardous Materials Awareness certification on the first day of class. An attempt at IFSAC Hazardous Materials Operations written and skills testing is available the final day of class. Candidates attempting written IFSAC Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations certification will submit a completed application to the Kentucky Fire Commission. The candidate shall remit the prescribed written test sitting fee of \$50 (for each written test), payable by fire department check or money order, and will attempt a written examination of multiple choice, true/false or matching questions. Upon successful completion of the written and skills exams, provided all documentation and fees are submitted, and pre-requisites are satisfied, the candidate shall become eligible to receive an accredited certification from the Kentucky Fire Commission.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Full PPE is required including SCBA and a spare cylinder.

This 4-day course will be offered Thursday-Sunday (with optional Accredited Certification testing as indicated above).

Lead Instructor: Chris Spaulding, State Fire Rescue Training District 6

108 Kentucky Urban Search and Rescue Operations – Shoring

This course introduces responders to the Kentucky Urban Search & Rescue (US&R) system and prepares participants to support search and rescue operations across the Commonwealth. The course provides an overview of the Kentucky US&R program, including team structure, operational coordination, deployment expectations, and basic reimbursement policies for training and activations. Participants will also receive instruction on the Search and Rescue Common Operating Platform (SARCOP) and how it supports situational awareness, resource tracking, and mission coordination during incidents. This course builds foundational knowledge of the Kentucky US&R system while developing practical skills that support safe and effective disaster response.

The final two days consist of a hands-on shoring course for initial first responders, focusing on structural collapse hazards, scene safety, and the construction of basic emergency shoring systems used to stabilize damaged structures during rescue operations.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Students will need to bring a helmet, eye protection, gloves, steel-toed boots and outerwear (extrication coveralls or turnout gear **or** long pants & long-sleeved shirt).

Classroom session for this class will be held on-site; hands-on training will be held off-site.

This 4-day course will be offered Thursday-Sunday.

Lead Instructor: Doug Hargreaves, Kentucky Emergency Management

109 Kentucky Urban Search and Rescue Operations – Lifting & Moving

This course introduces responders to the Kentucky Urban Search & Rescue (US&R) system and prepares participants to support search and rescue operations across the Commonwealth. The course provides an overview of the Kentucky US&R program, including team structure, operational coordination, deployment expectations, and basic reimbursement policies for training and activations.

Participants will also receive instruction on the Search and Rescue Common Operating Platform (SARCOP) and how it supports situational awareness, resource tracking, and mission coordination during incidents.

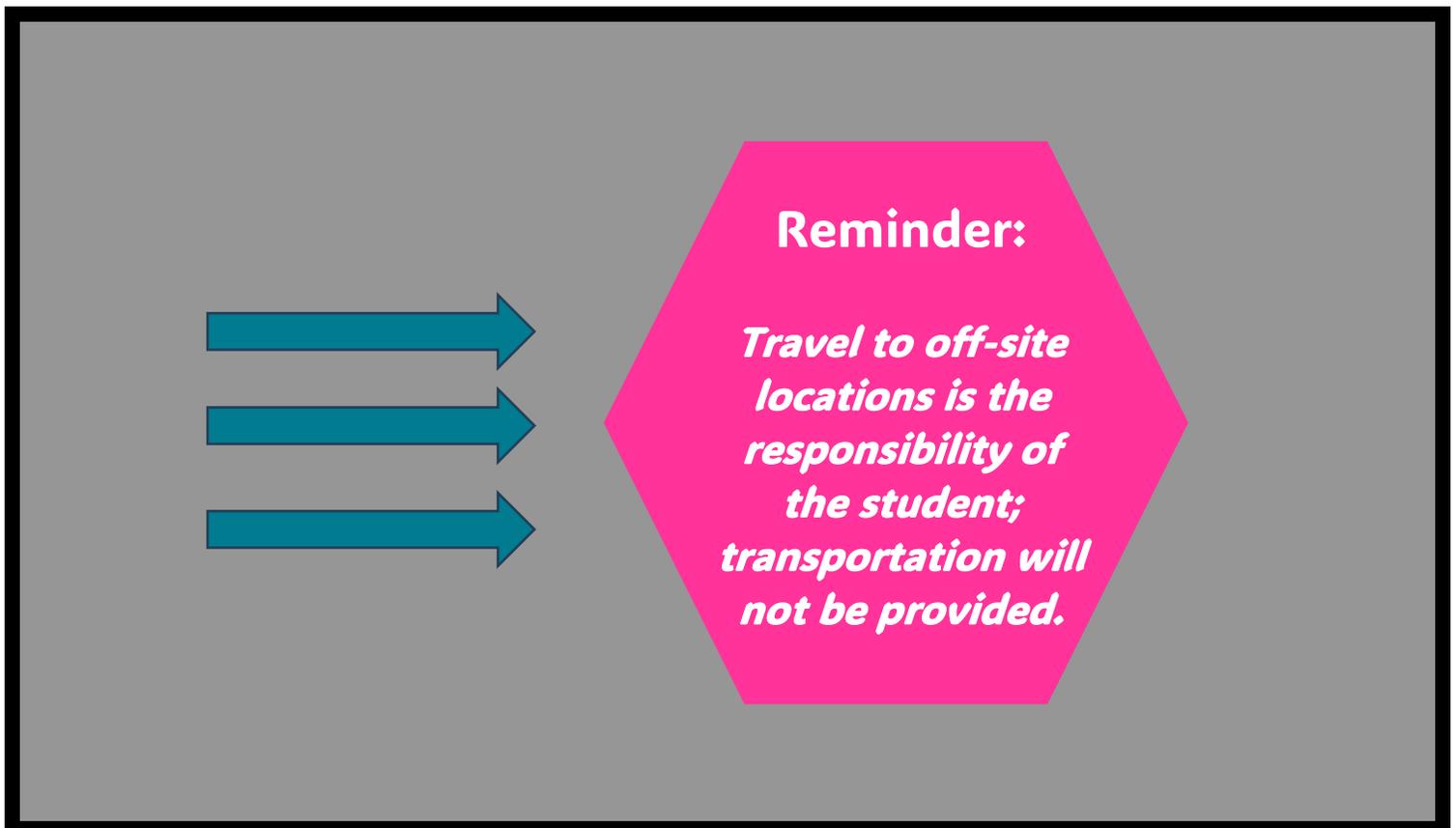
The final two days consist of a hands-on lifting and moving course for first responders. Participants learn basic rigging, mechanical advantage systems, anchor considerations, and simple load estimation techniques used to safely lift and move debris during rescue operations. The course emphasizes scene safety, proper equipment use, and practical field applications.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Students will need to bring a helmet, eye protection, gloves, steel-toed boots and outerwear (extrication coveralls or turnout gear **or** long pants & long-sleeved shirt).

*Classroom session for this class will be held on-site; hands-on training will be held off-site.
This 4-day course will be offered Thursday-Sunday.*

Lead Instructor: Doug Hargreaves, Kentucky Emergency Management



110 Advanced Rope Rescue – Wilderness Workshop

This course is designed for experienced technical rescue personnel seeking to expand their capabilities in complex rope rescue systems. This course focuses on advanced rigging concepts used in challenging environments. Participants will receive hands-on instruction and practical scenario-based training in the application of artificial high directionals, advanced anchor systems, and high-line systems used for horizontal and vertical rope rescue operations. Emphasis is placed on system efficiency and problem solving in real world rescue situations. This workshop is ideal for search and rescue teams, fire service personnel, and other professionals involved in technical rope rescue who already possess foundational rope rescue skills and are looking to advance their rigging proficiency.

Participants will learn how to design and build artificial high directionals to overcome edge transitions and obstacles, construct multipoint and load sharing anchor systems in a variety of environments, and rig high-line systems for patient and rescuer movement across complex terrain. Instruction will include both theoretical principles and field application to ensure participants gain a deep understanding of system mechanics and operational decision making.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Participants must email a copy of a certification of completion of a 40+ hour rope rescue technician level class to area3@kctcs.edu upon confirmation of registration. Students will need gloves with leather or synthetic palm (no extrication gloves), a rescue helmet with chin strap (no fire helmets), and a Class III full body harness. Personal gear may be used but must pass instructor inspection. Accommodation may be made for harness requirement. A limited number of harnesses will be available for students.

This course will be held off-site.

This 4-day course will be offered Thursday-Sunday.

Lead Instructor: Jacob Hicks, State Fire Rescue Training District 9

111 Inferno Ready: Tactical Firefighter Operations

Push beyond the classroom and into the heat with Inferno Ready, an action-packed firefighting course that builds combat-ready firefighters. Through high-intensity drills, live-fire based training, and scenario-based training, students will master personal protective equipment and don SCBA with speed and confidence, conduct coordinated vertical ventilation and forcible entry, deploy and operate ground ladders under pressure, perform systematic victim search and rapid removal, advance charged hose lines in confined, smoke-filled spaces, and execute engine company operations, pump panel control, and water supply tactics. By course end, students will have the practical skills, teamwork, and decision-making needed to operate safely and effectively on the fireground.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Full PPE & SCBA with a spare cylinder is required. All PPE must be less than 10 years old and SCBA cylinders within hydrostatic date. Any student with facial hair that impedes the seal of the face piece will not be allowed to participate.

This course will be held off-site.

This 3-day course will be offered Thursday-Saturday.

Lead Instructor: Mike Felty, State Fire Rescue Training District 15

112 Vehicle Rescue & Winching Operations

This class is designed for the first responder that wants to take their rescue skills to the next level! This hybrid class of auto extrication, heavy vehicle rescue, and winching operations will provide the student with the knowledge and skills to mitigate vehicle stabilization and extrication encounters from simple to complex. Participants will be challenged to work individually and in teams to respond to increasingly complex rescue scenarios. This hands-on training course is physically demanding.

The auto extrication portion of the class will cover stabilization including basic wood cribbing, struts and other methods; the heavy rescue portion of the class will cover car/truck under ride, commercial trucks, busses, and heavy lifting.

The winching operations portion of the class equips students with the skills needed for safe and competent winch operation in both automobile and heavy rescue scenarios. Building on a solid understanding of extrication and stabilization, students will learn how winches function, how to prepare and maintain winch systems, and how to perform essential calculations including load estimation, resistance, line load, rigging angles, load angles, mechanical advantage, and weight transfer. This portion also covers rigging principles, working load limits, the use of multiple winches, and integrating heavy wreckers into rescue operations.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Participants will need a solid foundation of the basics of extrication and stabilization and 3-years' experience with rescue techniques and tools. Participants will need helmet, gloves, jumpsuit or turnout gear, fire/rescue footwear, safety glasses, pen, paper and a calculating device (smart phone calculator is permitted). No SCBA is required.

Special thanks to Robert's Towing for their support of this course!

This course will be held off-site.

This 3-day course will be offered Thursday-Saturday.

Co-Instructor: David Walters, State Fire Rescue Training District 5

Co-Instructor: Matt Nelson, South Oldham Fire Department

113 Advanced SCBA Operations: Air Management & IDLH Survival

This intensive advanced SCBA program is designed for firefighters who already possess foundational SCBA skills and are ready to push their operational abilities to the next level. Modern fire environments are rapidly changing, more hazardous than ever, and place extreme demands on air consumption, decision-making, and survival skills. This course equips firefighters with the knowledge, discipline, and tactical mindset to manage their air, operate confidently in zero-visibility settings, and survive hostile working conditions.

Participants will work through increasingly complex evolutions that simulate today's interior fireground: high heat, disorientation, entanglement hazards, collapses, limited visibility, and extended work cycles. Through hands-on repetitions, participants will learn to conserve air, think clearly under stress, communicate effectively, and make rapid tactical decisions while fully encapsulated in SCBA.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Full PPE including SCBA and a spare cylinder.

This 2-day course will be offered Friday-Saturday.

Lead Instructor: Troy Perry, State Fire Rescue Training District 13

114 Junior Firefighter

Learn from the Past and Prepare for the Future! Join fellow junior firefighters from around the state for a weekend of networking and education. Build your skills with plenty of hands-on training, including Junior Firefighter Program Guideline-approved live fire opportunity! This course is designed to teach the students team building, communication, and leadership while honing the skills necessary to operate in today's fire service. Participants will be physically challenged at times and should be prepared to perform hands-on skills in full PPE. This class is open to junior firefighters ages **15-17** who are part of a departmental junior program recognized by the Kentucky Fire Commission.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

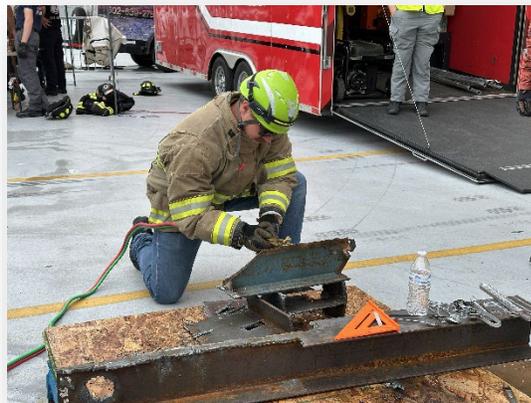
Full PPE including SCBA and a spare cylinder. Every Junior Firefighter must bring the required Training and Emergency Contact Form signed by the Fire Chief of their department.

Lunch will be provided for participants in this class courtesy of the Kentucky Firefighters Association.

This course will be held off-site.

This 3-day course will be offered Friday-Sunday.

Lead Instructor: Scott Landram, State Fire Rescue Training District 5



115 Machinery Rescue

Have you ever received a call for a subject stuck in an HVAC vent, a wedding ring stuck on a finger, or even a motorcycle accident victim impaled on a signpost? The rescuer often finds difficulty in approaching these situations simply because of the unknowns. This class will bring a new perspective to these types of incidents. Instructors will provide "out of the box" ways of thinking that are usually not incorporated with normal fire service operations. This different train of thought will help the student develop a framework of techniques and tools that will make this operation smooth and safe. At the end of this class the student will be confident in proper tool choice for these incidents and able to operate with confidence on scene. This class focuses upon hands-on training using many different types of cutting tools to complete extrication scenarios.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Safety glasses, helmet, turnout coat and work gloves.

This 3-day course will be offered Friday-Sunday.

Lead Instructor: Will McKenzie, State Fire Rescue Training District 9

116 Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Drones)

This course prepares firefighters and emergency responders to safely operate Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems during public safety missions. Participants will receive instruction in aircraft components, flight operations, mission planning, emergency procedures, and practical scenario-based applications such as fireground support, search and rescue, and damage assessment. Drones will be provided by SFRT for those attending. Participants may only bring Fire Department owned, FAA registered, and Fire Department insured drones. **No personally owned drones are allowed.**

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Participants must possess a valid FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot Certificate **before** attending the course. Participants must email a copy of their FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot Certificate to area3@kctcs.edu.

This 3-day course will be offered Friday-Sunday.

Lead Instructor: Matt True, State Fire Rescue Training District 7

**Be sure to join us for the annual
Exhibit Showcase Friday, June 12**

**This is a great place for face-to-face
interaction with vendors you currently
patronize, and a wonderful opportunity
to meet new vendors!**

**Commemorative State Fire School Challenge
Coins will be offered for sale by the Kentucky Firefighter's
Association during the school. Limited quantities - get yours early!**

**Registered students will receive a free commemorative t-shirt. Pickup at
designated area Friday, Saturday or Sunday!**

201 Fire Officer I

This course is designed to prepare students to successfully complete certification as Fire Officer I. This course is based on the content in IFSTA Fire and Emergency Services Company Officer 6th Edition. The course meets or exceeds NFPA 1021 Fire Officer I Standard for Professional Qualifications, 2020 edition. The target audience includes current company officers, acting company officers, and firefighters preparing for promotion to company officer. By completing all lessons, the student should be prepared for the Fire Officer I certification process. Students will have skill evaluation sheets, quizzes, and tests throughout the class prior to certification testing.

CERTIFICATION PROCESS

An attempt at IFSAC certification is available the last day of class. Candidates will submit a completed application to the Kentucky Fire Commission. The candidate shall remit the prescribed written test sitting fee of \$50, payable by fire department check or money order. They will attempt a written examination of 100 multiple choice, true/false or matching questions and participate in skills examination. Upon successful completion of the written and skills exams, provided all documentation and fees are submitted, and pre-requisites are satisfied, the candidate shall become eligible to receive an accredited certification from the Kentucky Fire Commission.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

All class participants will need to bring a laptop and students will need to purchase IFSTA Fire and Emergency Services Company Officer 6th Edition textbook prior to the class starting. It is highly encouraged that the students also purchase the study guide that goes along with the textbook. The study guide will help prepare the student for the certification testing.

To certify at this level, candidates must already possess: IFSAC Accredited Firefighter I and II certification and IFSAC Accredited Fire Instructor I certification.

REGISTRATION PROCESS

Students must be registered for this class prior to May 13, 2026. Class is limited to the first 32 students.

This 8-day course will be a hybrid offering; 4-hour virtual sessions will be held May 26, May 27, June 2 and June 4; classroom sessions will be held on-site Thursday-Saturday, with IFSAC Accredited Certification testing on Sunday.

Co-Instructor: Shane Yocum, State Fire Rescue Training Districts 12, 13, 14

Co-Instructor: Andy Offerman, State Fire Rescue Training Districts 2, 3, 4

202 Fire Officer II

This course is designed for the Fire Officer who is ready to assume more of a leadership role by moving into the middle-management level of his/her department. This course expands on the knowledge-base attained in Fire Officer I and also adds additional material including Management, Government Structure, and Departmental Budget Planning and Management. This course is based on the content of **NFPA 1021: *Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications***. This class will be student-centered learning with group assignments for class presentation and skill sheet assignments.

CERTIFICATION PROCESS

An attempt at IFSAC certification is available if desired on Sunday; students may also schedule written testing at their convenience at a SFRT office location. Candidates will submit a completed application to the Kentucky Fire Commission. The candidate shall remit the prescribed written test sitting fee of \$50, payable by fire department check or money order when taking the written exam. The skill portion of the evaluation will consist of a portfolio that will be explained in class and submitted at a later date.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

IFSAC Fire Officer I. All class participants will need to bring a laptop and students will need to purchase IFSTA Fire and Emergency Services Company Officer 6th Edition textbook prior to the class starting. It is highly encouraged that the students also purchase the study guide that goes along with the textbook. The study guide will help prepare the student for the certification testing.

This 4-day course will be offered Thursday-Sunday (with optional written exam given on Sunday).

Co-Instructor: Richard Cyrus, State Fire Rescue Training District 9

Co-Instructor: Steve Alley, State Fire Rescue Training District 9

203 Decision-Making for Initial Company Operations

This course is designed to develop the decision-making skills needed for Company Officers to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires. Activities and scenarios are used in this course and are based on structure fires. Students will participate in a walkthrough activity followed by one or more small group, scenario-driven activities for each area. This course is appropriate for newly appointed Company Officers, firefighters who may have active Company Officer responsibilities and firefighters who want to become Company Officers. Students completing the full two-day course may use the tested certificate for up to one (1) credit hour in FIR 225-Special Topics in the KCTCS Fire Science Technology program.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

All class participants will need to obtain a FEMA Student Identification (SID) number and provide it on the first day of class. FEMA SID can be obtained and managed via the following link: [FEMA Student Identification \(SID\) System](#).

This 2-day course will be offered Friday-Saturday.

Lead Instructor: Kevin Baker, State Fire Rescue Training District 6

204 Emergency Scene Size-Up

The outcome of an emergency scene is often dictated by the initial size-up by the first arriving company officer or commanding officer. In today's fire service, often those making the initial scene size-up have limited to no critical decision-making training or experience. This lack of training may result in multiple issues, causing a fire scene to be reactive in nature instead of proactive. This course will provide insights on the decision-making process that should be conducted when observing multiple types of emergency scenes. Students will share experiences, opinions, and strategic thought processes to enhance our abilities by enabling us to promote a more cohesive and efficient emergency scene operation. This course is designed for personnel who may be placed into the position of Company Officer up to Fireground Commanders.

This 1-day course will be offered Sunday.

Lead Instructor: Michael Long, Meade County Fire District

300 Fire Investigations

301 Arson I – Fire Investigations for First Responders (National Fire Academy)

The purpose of this course is to provide first responders with the tools to understand the key role they play in fire scene examination and in preserving and protecting important evidence for any subsequent investigation. The content of the course will provide a clear definition of the role of the first responder and identify the preservation and protection of evidence and proper reporting of information to appropriate officials. By strengthening the partnership between first responders and investigators, the chances for successfully solving arson-related crimes will increase. Students completing the full two-day course may use the tested certificate for up to one (1) credit hour in FIR 225-Special Topics in the KCTCS Fire Science Technology program.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

All class participants will need to obtain a FEMA Student Identification (SID) number and provide it on the first day of class. FEMA SID can be obtained and managed via the following link: [FEMA Student Identification \(SID\) System](#).

This 2-day course will be offered Friday-Saturday.

Lead Instructor: Russell Todd, State Fire Rescue Training District 5

You do not have to be a registered student or conference attendee to participate in the Exhibit and Vendor Showcase. We strongly encourage emergency service personnel to patronize and purchase from our loyal and dedicated exhibitors!

302 Arson II – Fire Scene Investigations

This is a comprehensive course with emphasis on techniques to determine the origin and cause of fires. Actual case scenarios will be incorporated to enhance this class. A wide variety of expertise is brought together through the cooperation of local, state, federal, fire, police and private investigators to provide the student with excellent instruction and detail. Report writing will be incorporated into this class.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Prior completion of an acceptable Arson I course. Participants must have a signed permission form or letter from their chief prior to attending fire investigation courses taught by the Kentucky Chapter of IAAI. Students will need safety shoes, helmet, gloves, eye protection, laptop and digital camera. There will be a courtroom component of this class, students should dress accordingly for this portion.

Day 2 of this class will be off-site.

This 3-day course will be offered Thursday-Saturday.

Lead Instructor: Nelson Slaughter, Kentucky Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators

303 Arson III – Legal Issues for Fire Investigators

This course is the final and concluding level in arson investigations. The purpose of the course is to aid the Investigator in the preparation and presentation of their case in a court of law. This course emphasizes legal aspects, case preparations, trial procedures, and criminal enforcement. A mock trial is planned for Saturday morning, incorporating the Arson II class.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Prior completion of an acceptable Arson I course and Fire Scene Investigations course (Arson II). These classes must be sanctioned by the Kentucky Chapter IAAI. Participants must email a copy of their course completion certification for Arson II to area3@kctcs.edu upon registration. For the courtroom component of this class, students should dress accordingly.

This 3-day course will be offered Thursday-Saturday.

Lead Instructor: Assistant County Attorney Paul Richwalsky, Jefferson County Attorney's Office (Ret.)

400 Fire Inspector & Fire Alarm/Sprinkler Industry

401 Continuing Education for Fire Suppression System Inspectors

This class will satisfy the requirements for the six (6) hours of continuing education for fire suppression sprinkler inspectors licensed by Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction in the state of Kentucky. The class will cover NFPA 25 for the inspection of water-based suppression systems.

This 1-day course will be offered Thursday.

Lead Instructor: Barrett Smith, State Fire Rescue Training District 12

402 Continuing Education for Fire Alarm Inspectors

This class is developed and presented for the industry professionals that are required to attend and receive recertification credit for licensure. It will help students have a deeper understanding of fire alarm systems. Class will have discussions as to where alarms are required, installed and maintained. Also, proper inspection of the systems, how they function, how they help save lives, and how they may benefit the fire service. This class qualifies for the six (6) hours continuing education required for State Certified Fire Alarm Inspectors.

This 1-day course will be offered Friday.

Lead Instructor: Barrett Smith, State Fire Rescue Training District 12

403 Fire Inspector I

This class is the first step in the Kentucky State Fire Marshal's Inspector I Certification program. This class is designed for fire professionals that will perform fire prevention inspections on a daily basis. This class will provide instruction on NFPA 1 (2018 edition). This class will consist of instruction followed by an exam.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Students will need to bring pen and paper.

This 1-day course will be offered Saturday.

Lead Instructor: Tim Juett, State Fire Marshal's Office

404 Fire Inspector II

This class is the second step in the Kentucky State Fire Marshal's Inspector II Certification program. This class is designed for fire inspectors and building code officials that deal with life safety issues on a daily basis. The student will get instruction on NFPA 101 (2018 edition). This class will consist of instruction followed by an exam.

PRE-REQUISITES/EQUIPMENT NEEDED

Students in this class must possess a Fire Inspector I certification for a minimum of six (6) months preceding Inspector II class start date. Students will need to bring pen and paper.

This 1-day course will be offered Friday.

Lead Instructor: Tim Juett, State Fire Marshal's Office

500 Seminars

501 Kentucky Urban Search and Rescue Fundamentals

This course serves as the introductory portion of the Kentucky US&R system and is designed for emergency responders and support personnel who may participate in search and rescue operations across the Commonwealth.

Participants will gain a foundational understanding of the structure, organization, and operational framework of the Kentucky US&R program, including the roles and responsibilities of task forces, supporting agencies, and statewide coordination during disaster response.

The course will also introduce participants to the concept of Mission Ready Packages (MRPs) and how standardized team capabilities allow resources to be organized and deployed effectively during emergencies. Additional discussion will focus on local and regional team integration, emphasizing coordination, communication, and resource sharing between jurisdictions during multi-agency incidents.

The course will also provide an overview of the current and future direction of reimbursement for Kentucky's US&R operations, including how deployments are activated, the documentation required for reimbursement, and the evolving framework for supporting participating agencies during statewide responses.

This 1-day course will be offered Thursday.

Lead Instructor: Doug Hargreaves, Kentucky Emergency Management

502 Reality of Short Company Operations

This course confronts firefighters with the hard truth of today's fireground: *we are often expected to do more with less*. Participants will be challenged to think critically, adapt quickly, and operate effectively within fire companies working at or below minimum staffing. Through a wide range of strategies and tactics, participants will explore how limited personnel impacts every phase of operations, from preparing for the shift, preplanning structures and training, response and fireground decision-making. Emphasis will be placed on developing realistic expectations, managing mayday situations, and implementing rapid intervention with short-handed crews. Participants will be pushed to make sound strategic and tactical decisions while operating two- and three-person engine companies. Scenario-based training will expose participants to proven, real-world solutions currently being used by fire companies across the country, because the reality isn't changing, and the fire service cannot afford to stand still.

This 1-day course will be offered Thursday.

Lead Instructor: Kenny Harney, Independence Fire District

503 Knowledge vs Understanding, The Why Behind What We Do

This course offers an in-depth look at why we do what we do, and the importance of understanding how our knowledge base changes how we see things around us. Emotional intelligence as well as self-awareness will be focused on. This class is generally focused to company officers and above.

This ½-day course will be offered Friday morning.

Lead Instructor: Nathan Mulvey, Fern Creek Fire & EMS (Ret.); VP Risk Management, Sterling Thompson Co.

504 Basic Chaplaincy

This course includes course material designed to introduce the fire chaplain to ministry in the fire service. Topics include: Ministry to Firefighters, Ministry to Fire Victims, Critical Incident Stress, Fire Department Funerals, Fire Chaplain Operations, and many others. This class is a **required** course for state fire chaplain certification. Course participants must be at least 18 years of age.

This 2-day course will be offered Friday-Saturday.

Lead Instructor: Rebecca Brown, Kentucky Federation of Fire Chaplains

505 Public Information and Social Media Tools and Tricks

Internal and external communications for Fire and EMS Departments has never been more important than it is now. In a time where infinite information is at everyone's fingertips, how departments communicate in times of emergency and non-emergencies matters. It is critical to the department's brand that the information shared is factual, accurate, and timely.

In this class, participants will learn how to effectively communicate with the media, members of their community, and also their department. They'll learn what can and cannot be shared on social media, and how effective communication can help increase community trust in your department. At the conclusion of class, students will participate in a mock interview that will prepare them for real world scenarios and challenge them to effectively communicate during times of crisis.

This 1-day course will be offered Saturday.

Lead Instructor: Payton Rogers, Hopkinsville Fire Department

506 Mobile Homes: Small House – Big Challenge

Manufactured housing accounts for about 10% of new homes built each year. Learn what makes trailers different from “regular” wood-frame structures and how to safely operate within this challenging environment. Tactics for suppression and ventilation, as well as strategies for operating in high-density mobile home communities are also presented.

This ½ day course will be offered Saturday morning..

Lead Instructor: Joseph Polenzani, Franklin (TN) Fire Department (Ret.)

507 Community Risk Reduction

This course will review the basic concepts of Community Risk Reduction (CRR) and available Public Education Programs for departments in Kentucky, along with resources which can be utilized as agencies create and maintain CRR risk-reduction programs. Topics to be covered will include the Community Risk Reduction “Sound Off” Safety Program, a review and use of available NFPA resources and various other programs available at no or reduced cost to agencies. The course will also cover basic concepts including tailoring your presentation to the appropriate age group and various learning concepts that both children and adults utilize in learning about the presented topic.

This ½ day course will be offered Saturday morning.

Lead Instructor: Adam Fuller, Northern Pendleton Fire District

508 Leave It Better

How can we affect the future of the fire service for the better? What can we do to leave our mark for the better in the fire service? Lastly, how can we create the best environment to develop strong fire companies, future leaders and great people? This course will impart these lessons and much more. Participants will learn development strategies to help guide all formal or informal leaders, with the ultimate goal of helping to create great men and women who will carry the fire service forward.

This ½ day course will be offered Saturday morning.

Lead Instructor: Chris Logan, Georgetown Fire Department

509 Fast Food Restaurant Fires

With over 300,000 fast food restaurants in the United States, odds are good that your department will respond to a fire in one of them. This course explores the unique challenges posed by fast food restaurant fires, analyzes the dangers of construction techniques used in today's chain restaurants and discusses tactics for safely mitigating fires in the restaurant environment, with a special focus on how they differ from residential firefighting practices.

This ½ day course will be offered Saturday afternoon.

Lead Instructor: Joseph Polenzani, Franklin (TN) Fire Department (Ret.)

510 Recruitment & Retention Ideas

Recruitment and retention are some of the largest challenges facing the fire service. This course will review opportunities which are being utilized across the state. These topics will range from basic local recruitment drives to programs which are based within the school systems. There will also be a portion of the class dedicated to the review of the National Volunteer Fire Council's Recruitment programs, the overview of the Kentucky Firefighters Association Citizens Fire Academy program guide and also group discussion on potential recruitment and retention opportunities in the future. Participants will have the opportunity to review and discuss the Kentucky Fire Commission's Junior Firefighter Program and the benefits of implementing such a program in their agencies.

This ½ day course will be offered Saturday afternoon.

Lead Instructor: Adam Fuller, Northern Pendleton Fire District

511 Stronger Minds, Stronger Service: Addressing the Mental Health Challenges of First Responders

This course is a comprehensive mental-health training for firefighters at every career stage, from new recruits to senior administrators. Participants will examine the unique psychological stressors of the fire service—cumulative trauma exposure, critical incident stress, operational demands, and cultural norms that can discourage help-seeking. Through peer-led conversations, participants explore how these pressures shape decision-making, team dynamics, physical health, and long-term career sustainability. The presentation emphasizes evidence-informed strategies to build resilience, strengthen emotional regulation, and enhance peer support, while helping attendees identify early signs of burnout, compassion fatigue, and stress injury. After laying the foundation, this session will address suicide in the fire service, including current national statistics, risk factors, warning signs, and culturally responsive prevention approaches. Through guided discussion, scenario-based learning, and practical tools, participants gain actionable skills to support their own wellbeing, improve psychological safety within their teams, and contribute to a healthier, more resilient fire-service environment—reinforcing that stronger minds create stronger service.

This ½ day course will be offered Saturday afternoon.

Lead Instructor: Ashley Messer, Maysville Police Department

512 Lithium Battery Emergencies

Lithium-Ion Battery (LIB) Hazards and Emergencies will cover the basics of the anatomy of a LIB, where they are found, and the reasons for most hazards. An overarching guide will be given of firefighting operations for the different types of LIB-involved fires. Further, it will cover the Air Monitoring and Site Cleanup during and after the emergency. Lastly, the class will critique case studies involving such events. This class will provide information to get a better understanding of what to do in the event of a Lithium-Ion Battery incident.

This 1-day course will be offered Sunday.

Lead Instructor: Mac Cann, Kentucky Department of Environmental Protection

513 Advanced-Level Chaplaincy: Funeral Preparation and Organization – Pastoral Care to the Grieving

This course is designed to equip chaplains with essential tools and skills to support individuals and families during times of loss. Participants will learn how to: assist with delivering death notifications, plan and conduct funerals for both Line-of-Duty Deaths (LODD) and non-LODD situations and engage compassionately and effectively with grieving families. This course **DOES NOT** count for state certification. Course participants must be at least 18 years of age.

This 1-day course will be offered Sunday.

Lead Instructor: Rebecca Brown, Kentucky Federation of Fire Chaplains

514 Leadership Lessons from “Band of Brothers”

This course presents a unique look at the principles of fire service leadership through the experiences of the 101st Airborne Division’s Easy Company during World War II. Using Easy Company commander Major Richard Winters’ 10 Principles of Leadership, the class discusses a multi-faceted approach to leadership, based on character and leading by example. History shows that leadership is not determined by rank, but by attitude and action.

This ½ day course will be offered Sunday morning.

Lead Instructor: Joseph Polenzani, Franklin (TN) Fire Department (Ret.)

515 Firefighter Cancer Support Network: You Fight Fire, We Fight Cancer

The harsh reality is that almost two-thirds of the firefighters battling fires today will be battling cancer tomorrow. Cancer remains the leading cause of line-of-duty deaths among firefighters. By making a meaningful contribution to our mission, to assist firefighters and EMS providers and their immediate families diagnosed with cancer through our unique support services, we can make a greater impact on our nation’s heroes battling cancer. The goals of this class will be to educate firefighters and EMS Personnel about their increased risk of developing cancer; encourage actions and behaviors to reduce or prevent exposure to occupational cancer hazards; encourage healthy lifestyle choices to further reduce cancer risk; and provide information about screenings and early detection, have conversations about culture change, and share resources available to firefighters, EMS personnel, and their families following a cancer diagnosis.

This ½ day course will be offered Sunday morning.

Lead Instructor: Marc Henderson, Firefighter Cancer Support Network

516 Air Rescue: What Responders Need to Know

This course will provide an overview of the Kentucky State Police’s (KSP) Air Rescue capabilities, including hoist rescue, medical care, aerial search technology, and incident support. Participants will gain awareness of considerations for hoist rescue patient packaging, establishing hoist zones, communicating with the aircraft, and how to request KSP aviation resources to support an unfolding incident. Pending aircraft availability, KSP will provide a hoist demonstration that will allow students to become familiar with the dynamics of working in proximity to the helicopter, basic tag line operations, and the experience of hoisting patients.

This course will be held off-site.

This ½ day course will be offered Sunday morning.

Lead Instructor: David Fifer, Kentucky State Police Air Rescue

517 In the Heat of the Moment: The Art and Science of Decision Making

This course will focus on a range of topics essential to effective management and decision making. Utilizing real-world case studies, participants will learn how to apply theoretical knowledge to practical situations. Discussions will center on prioritizing objectives under pressure, communicating clearly amidst chaos, and adapting strategies to dynamic environments. Participants will emerge with a heightened understanding of leadership in crisis situations, equipped with the tools to make informed decisions swiftly and decisively. This class isn't just about learning, it's about preparing firefighters to lead confidently when careers, lives, and property are on the line.

This ½ day course will be offered Sunday afternoon.

Lead Instructor: Joseph Polenzani, Franklin (TN) Fire Department (Ret.)

Carry/Conceal Weapons Policy Central Bank Center

The Central Bank Center is located in a School Zone as defined by the Gun Free School Zone Act 18 U.S.C. adopted November 29, 1990 (the Act). All persons are prohibited from possessing firearms on the premises unless such possession is authorized by exceptions in the Act. An exception to the prohibition is the carrying of weapons by law enforcement officials.

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**2026 KY State Fire School
Vendor Information
Lexington, KY
June 10-14, 2026**



Date: 2/21/26

To: All Vendors

From: Marc Henderson, KFA Vendor Specialist

Re: 95th Annual KY State Fire School

The 95th Annual KY State Fire School is rapidly approaching, and we are excited to announce that this year we will again be in downtown Lexington at the Central Bank Center located at 430 W. Vine Street, Lexington, KY.

After discussion with numerous vendors and students we have made the decision that the Vendor Show will be held on Friday June 12th from 2:30pm to 7:00pm with door prizes beginning at 6:30pm EST.

Booth spaces will again be 10X10, draped and include a 6ft table and 2 chairs.
Floor Spaces will be 20X40 in size.

We are always open to ideas to get the crowds into the vendor hall and if you have any special promotions or ideas, please let me know.

KFA Memberships will be processed directly by the KFA and will not be in the vendor packets again this year.

I look forward to working with everyone and welcome any comments/ideas on growing the show. You can reach me on my cell phone at 270-499-1602 or by email at marc.henderson@kctcs.edu.

Thank you!!

Marc Henderson
Vendor Coordinator
Kentucky Firefighters Association



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\$5,000 (Gold)

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Banner in Vendor Hall
Signs displayed at School
Logo on State Fire School T-Shirt
Ad in Fire School Brochure

\$2,500 (Silver)

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Logo on State Fire School T-Shirt

\$1,000 (Bronze)

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\$500

Sponsorship of 1 morning of refreshments

\$300

Logo on State Fire School T-Shirt

\$200

Logo on T-Shirt if registered/paid vendor for State Fire School



**95th Annual Kentucky State Fire School
 Central Bank Center Lexington, Kentucky
 Exhibit Showcase Registration
 June 12th, 2026**

Exhibitors Name: _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Contact: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Nature of Business: _____

Office Number: _____ **Cell:** _____ **Fax:** _____

Booths	Quantity	Cost	Booth Total
(1) 10' X 10'		\$300.00	
Extra 10X10		\$150.00	
Floor Space	Quantity	Cost	Floor Space Total
(1) 20' X 40'		\$400.00	
Vehicle Type	Length	Total Due	

Make Check Payable to KFA and mail Registration Form & Check to:

KFA Vendor Specialist
Marc Henderson
 PO Box 775
 Greenville, KY 42345

Phone: 270-499-1602
Email: marc.henderson@kctcs.edu
Fax: 270-338-6780

Office Use Only Rec'd Date _____ Paid Date _____ Check # _____ SM Paid Date _____



2026 Kentucky State Fire School Committee

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Co-Chair – Chad Traylor, Assistant Chief, Lexington Division of Fire & Emergency Services

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Live Fire Course Competency Validation/Fitness for Duty Form

Required for all students before participating in SFRT Live Fire Training

NFPA 1403 (2018 Edition) 4.3.1 - 4.3.3 require that all participants must have prior training and meet prerequisites in certain subjects before participating in live fire training. These minimum subjects include:

1) Safety; 2) Fire Behavior; 3) Portable Extinguishers; 4) Personal Protective Equipment & SCBA; 5) Ladders; 6) Fire Hose, Appliances, and Streams; 7) Overhaul; 8) Water Supply; 9) Ventilation; 10) Forcible Entry; 11) Building Construction. Specific prerequisite training must also be met in these areas: Fire Dynamics; Health and Safety; Fundamentals of Fire Behavior; Fire Development in Compartments; Nozzle Techniques and Door Control.

The Chief Officer of _____ Fire Department authorizes that _____ completed the minimum training/prerequisites and may participate in the live fire training evolutions present by SFRT.

NFPA 1403 (2018 Edition) 4.4.1 requires that all participants must be rehabbed in accordance with NFPA 1584, Chapter 6. Before being released from the rehab area to participate in a State Fire Rescue Training live fire training evolution, normal conditions are considered to consist of: heart rate of 60-100; respiratory rate of 12-20; systolic blood pressure less than 160; diastolic blood pressure of less than 100; pulse oximetry of 95% or greater. Participants are encouraged to periodically check their vital signs and seek appropriate medical attention for abnormal signs/symptoms.

Baseline Vital Signs (This must be completed prior to participating in live fire training):

Date: _____ Time: _____ Heart Rate: _____ Respiratory Rate: _____

Blood Pressure: _____ Pulse Ox: _____ Obtained by (Name): _____

Participants must be at least 18 years of age and a member of a Fire Department or an Industrial Fire Brigade recognized by the Kentucky Fire Commission to participate in live fire training delivered by State Fire Rescue Training. ID's will be checked by SFRT instructors before allowing students to participate in live fire training. All turnout gear must be less than 10 years of age. Per NFPA 1403 (2018 Edition) A4.9.5 it is recommended that all participants wear full-length clothing made of natural fibers or fire-retardant materials under their personal protective equipment during live fire evolutions.

Facepiece seal protection: SFRT requires that all students must be compliant with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.134:

1910.134(g)(1)(i) -The employer shall not permit respirators with tight-fitting facepieces to be worn by employees who have: **1910.134(g)(1)(i)(A)** - Facial hair that comes between the sealing surface of the facepiece and the face or that interferes with valve function;" (hair growth between the skin and the facepiece sealing surface, such as stubble beard growth, beard, mustache or sideburns which cross the respirator sealing surface).

Signature of Chief Officer: _____

Signature of Student: _____

This form must accompany any registration form for live fire training courses.

(DUPLICATE AS NEEDED)

Revised February 2020



Junior Firefighter Program Training and Emergency Contact Information

JRFF Name: _____

Class/Subject: _____

Date: _____

Fire School: _____

Fire Department: _____

JRFF Program Coordinator: _____

Please Print

JRFF Program Coordinator Signature: _____

JRFF Program Coordinator Phone #: _____

The Fire Department Junior Firefighter (JRFF) Program Coordinator **SHALL** provide all JRFF's with a Training and Emergency Contact Information Form prior to the JRFF attending classes outside of the JRFF primary department. The information included above is required at a minimum. Fire Departments may collect more information if necessary.

Inform participating Junior Firefighters that they **must keep a copy of this form with them at all times while participating in fire department activities.** Class instructors and/or school/conference leadership may randomly request to see a copy of the form during the conduct of classes and or event. If the participant is unable to provide a copy, the instructor, other department leadership, or conference organizers shall not allow the child to continue participation until the form is produced.



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