



## News Release

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### How to become a McKinney firefighter

Information workshop at Collin College Conference Center May 18

McKINNEY, Texas (April 13, 2017) – Do you have an interest in a career as a professional firefighter? Would you like to work for the McKinney Fire Department (MFD) but aren't quite sure where to start? Find out more as the MFD hosts a pre-employment informational workshop May 18 at 6 p.m. in the Conference Center at the Collin College Center Park Campus, 2200 W. University Dr.

The event will educate potential candidates about employment opportunities with MFD, pre-requisite requirements to take our entrance exam and how to navigate the overall hiring process. Potential applicants have the opportunity to participate in a practice session of the firefighter physical ability test (PAT) at 8 a.m. May 20 at McKinney Fire Station #2, 2001 Community Ave. The practice PAT will include activities such as climbing the aerial ladder, dragging the life-size mannequin, climbing the multi-story tower, driving the Kaiser sled with a sledgehammer, etc.

“The hiring process to become a professional firefighter can be intimidating and confusing. Different departments may have different hiring requirements,” said McKinney Fire Chief Danny Kistner. “The goal of this workshop is to inform individuals hoping to apply with McKinney what we require. We want to make the process easier.”

In addition to representatives of the MFD, Collin College Fire Academy and the City of McKinney Human Resources Department will have representatives available to answer questions.

Pre-registration for the information workshop is recommended. Please visit [www.mckinneyfire.org](http://www.mckinneyfire.org) to complete the pre-registration form.

The MFD will offer an entrance exam Friday, June 23 in the Conference Center at the Collin County College Center Park Campus, doors open at 5 p.m. and close promptly at 6 p.m. For more information visit [www.mckinneyfire.org](http://www.mckinneyfire.org), or call 972-547-2893.

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### About McKinney

McKinney, Texas, is unique by nature. As one of the fastest growing cities in America, McKinney has a current population of more than 168,000. The city was #1 on the list of Best Places to Live in America in 2014, published by *Money Magazine*. Established in 1848, the city is located 30 miles north of Dallas and is the county seat of Collin County. McKinney offers award-winning schools, a vibrant historic downtown, diverse housing options, a robust

economy and a uniquely beautiful natural setting, with rolling hills and lush trees. Visit the city's website at [www.mckinneytexas.org](http://www.mckinneytexas.org).

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