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ZFD to offer citizens a behind-the-scenes look at life of a Zionsville firefighter

This spring the Zionsville Fire Department is offering a new way for Zionsville citizens to gain a greater understanding of how the department works. Citizen's Fire Academy will be taught by members of ZFD and will take place on Tuesday nights March 13 – April 24 (no class on April 3).

During the six-week program, participants will be able to observe and learn about the responsibilities and duties of the ZFD. Topics include: the history of ZFD, fire operations, EMS skills and education, auto extrication demo, fire behavior with a live fire demo, fire safety for the home and workplace and more. Participants will be able to operate fire hoses and use extrication equipment and other firefighting power tools. Participants may wear firefighter gear (including air masks and breathing apparatuses) and be exposed to what it takes to be a part of fire and EMS rescue crews. All physical exercises are optional.

"This program is a great opportunity for area residents to learn more about ZFD and what it means to be a firefighter here in Zionsville," said Deputy Chief of Operations Brian Miller.

Citizen's Fire Academy is open to citizens who live or work in Zionsville and are 18 or above. Classes will take place at the Zionsville Town Hall and Zionsville fire stations. Interested candidates can fill out an application here: www.zionsville-in.gov/488/Citizens-Fire-Academy.

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