

Fire Cadets are provided learning opportunities designed to enhance their life skills, develop character, and encourage them to develop into productive adults.

Examples of non-hazardous activities to familiarize cadets with the nature and complexities of the fire service may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Pre-fire planning
- Hydrant maintenance program
- Assist with crowd and traffic control at Fire Authority functions
- Participate in information programs given to the public
- Assist station personnel with record keeping, and vehicle and station maintenance
- Door-to-door fire prevention contacts
- Write minor standard reports
- Participate as observers in ride-along program

If you are interested in applying for the Fire Cadet Program, please visit ocfa.org/firecadet to fill out an interest form. Candidates on the interest list will be contacted to fill out a detailed application.





FIRE CADET POST LOCATIONS

Post 1 – Station 64 7351 Westminster Blvd, Westminster, CA 92683

Post 2 - Station 53

25415 La Palma, Yorba Linda, CA 92887

Post 3 – Station 21

1241 Irvine Blvd, Tustin, CA 92780

Post 4 - Station 57

57 Journey, Aliso Viejo, CA 92656

Post 5 – Station 4

2 California, Irvine, CA 92612

Post 6 – Station 59 59 Av. La Pata, San Clemente, CA 92673

Post 7 - Station 45

30131 Aventura, Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688

Post 8 - Station 61

7440 La Palma Ave, Buena Park, CA 90620

Post 9 – Station 75

120 Walnut St, Santa Ana, CA 92701

Post 11 - Station 82

11805 Gilbert St, Garden Grove, CA 92841

For more information and to apply:



ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY





1 Fire Authority Road **Irvine, CA 92602**

ocfa.org/FireCadet

FIRE CADET PROGRAM

The OCFA Fire Cadet Program is a community-based program that gives youth practical insights into the fire service profession by engaging in activities centered on emergency services.



The Fire Cadet Program is open to youth between the ages of 14 and 21, who have completed 8th grade. The program will teach you about the fire service and give you skills that will prepare you for a path in any career.

Each cadet is required to:

- Maintain a 2.0 or above GPA
- Have no arrests or convictions
- Adhere to fire safety grooming standards
- If over 18, complete a background check



Prospective cadets are accepted into Fire Cadet Trainee Academies two times per year.

The Fire Cadet Trainee Academy is ten weeks consisting of basic level skills. The first nine weeks will be done at Fire Cadet Posts covering a variety of essential entry level classes, culminating in a comprehensive final exam during week ten at OCFA Headquarters. Upon successful completion of the trainee academy, participants will become full members in the Fire Cadet Program and ride-along certified.



The OCFA Fire Cadet Program is an official department function that benefits from the support and approval of the Fire Chief and board of directors. Cadet posts are established to match people and program resources within OCFA to benefit youth in our local communities. The result is a program of activities that help youth explore the many facets of the fire service, through an experience that balances both classroom and hands-on learning. In turn, the fire cadets are a valuable resource that contribute to the constant challenge of providing community service and a variety of diversified functions in a rapidly growing and expanding county.