

# CHARLESTON

## FIRE DEPARTMENT



### Charleston Fire Department Recruit Graduation

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Charleston, SC (June 4th, 2015): The Charleston Fire Department is proud to announce the graduation of recruit class 1501. The community is invited to attend and welcome the twenty-four newest members of the department. The graduation ceremony will be held at the Burke High School auditorium this Friday, June 5th, 2015, at 8:30 AM. Special guest speaker is Chief Bert Polk, South Carolina's State Fire Marshal.

"The 26 week recruit program is one of the most important programs that our fire department conducts," said Robbie Baldwin, Training Director. "The Charleston Fire Department is instilling fire ground survival skills in the recruit firefighters to ensure they possess the necessary techniques to serve the public as well as survive in a hazardous occupation. We are proud of the dedicated work by the recruits, their instructors, and the support displayed by the entire department."

The recruits will graduate as certified level 2 firefighters, accredited by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAAC), including the courses listed below.

Media note: The media is welcome to attend the graduation event. We request that you arrive and setup at the rear of the auditorium no later than 08:15 AM.

#### Recruit Class 1501

Recruit Name	Hometown
David Baumgartner	Lexington, KY
Donald Belt	Detroit, MI
Jason Boucher	Fairless Hills, PA
Kristjahn Boyd	Graham, WA
Steven Burzynski	Skippack, PA
Ryan Criscio	North Haven, CT
Jason Crosby	Emporium, PA
Michael Cunningham	Columbia, SC
Eli Dykstra	Grand Rapids, MI
Peyton Ellis	Arlington, VA
Daniel Glassman	Gloucester City, NJ
Jacob Hegeman	Milwaukee, WI
William Johnson	Charleston, SC
Kyle Jursik	Flemington, NJ
Andrew Kotz	Fayetteville, NC
Kenny Lay	Lexington, KY
Douglas Maningo	East Moriches, NY
Seth Miller	Crystal Lake, IL
John Montone	Schenectady, NY
Patrick Moyer	Lansdale, PA
Noah Rosenthal	Myrtle Beach, SC
Jeffrey Schiavi	Hebron, CT
Matthew Tarkowski	Sheboygan, WI
Jason Yown	Spartanburg, SC

<b>Classes completed during the 26 week academy</b>	
NIMS ICS for the Fire Service	Fundamentals of Firefighting
Hazardous Materials Awareness	Firefighter 1
Hazardous Materials Operations	Firefighter 2
Building Construction: Combustible	Flammable Liquids/Gas Firefighting
Building Construction: Noncombustible	Rescuing the Rescuer
Courage to be Safe	Rapid Intervention Crew (RIC)
Crew Resource Management	Emergency Vehicle Driver Training
Basic Auto Extrication	Emergency Medical Technician

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