

## Junior Fire Crew Work Experience

The Chilliwack School District, in partnership with the BC Wildfire Service, is pleased to provide Jr. Fire Crew Work Experience (J.F.C.). The J.F.C. is a training program and career simulation activity, designed for students in grade 12 who are considering firefighting as a potential career option. Successful candidates will experience approximately 6 days of training, including classroom instruction and practical training exercises. Successful applicants can also receive 4 credits for a Work Experience 12 course (if applicable).

J.F.C. will be held at SD#33 between **March 24 – 29, 2025** (Spring Break), at the BCWS Cultus Base, located at 4225 Cultus Lake Rd. (map will be provided)

Applicants must complete the attached application **IN FULL**, including a cover letter and resume. Applicants must also attend an orientation/information session with a parent/guardian on **December 4 at 6:00pm** at the Neighbourhood Learning Centre, located at 46361 Yale Rd.

All applicants will need to complete a **Shuttle Run Beep Test**, which will be scheduled at your school in **January 2025** (dates TBD).

Students who complete the Camp MAY receive an opportunity to work as a paid Jr. Fire Crew Member with BC Wildfire Service throughout the summer months. Not all students will be selected for a paid position.

**Applications MUST be received no later than December 20, 2024.**

*(Please return completed applications to your Work Experience Facilitator)*

## **Application Checklist**

- Completed Application Package with Parent/Guardian Signature
  - Career Programs Application Form
  - Medical Information & Release
  - Statement of Interest & Intent
  - Teacher Reference Form
- Typed Cover Letter
- Typed Resume



# BCWS Jr. Fire Crew Program



## Jr. Fire Crew Work Experience

Any student wishing to apply may do so, but only students who meet the following basic criteria will be considered for the academy:

- PRIORITY given to Grade 12 students
- Have a genuine interest in firefighting as a possible career option
- Are in good standing in all classes
- Have maintained good attendance records
- Display willingness to work hard and are team players
- Completed the application in full by the application deadline: **Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024**
- Has been recommended by a school staff member
- Be physically and medically fit
- Must complete the fitness “beep” test

## What will I learn in the J.F.C. Program?

- Pre-Training to include:
  - Emergency First Aid (*Equivalent to Occupational First Aid Level 1*) (**Feb. 14, 2025**)
  - First Aid Transportation Endorsement (**Feb. 15, 2025**)
  - Prescribed BCWS online learning modules (to be completed in advance of camp)
  - Physical fitness pre-training option
- Training Week Learning Modules to include:
  - S-100 (Basic Fire Suppression)
  - S-185 (Fire Safety & Entrapment Avoidance)
  - Navigation (GPS & Compass use)
  - Pumps & Water delivery
  - Fire Weather
  - Resume & BCWS Interview Skills
  - Mock Fitness Test

## Costs for the J.F.C. Program:

- The Chilliwack School District Career Education Dept. will provide funding for all required training and equipment for BCWS Jr. Fire Crew participants.



# District Career Programs Application



## STUDENT INFORMATION

Legal Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Legal First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Usual Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Birth Date (Day/Month/Year): \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Apt. No.: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Prov.: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal: \_\_\_\_\_  
Are you an International Student? YES  NO   
Are you an ELL (English Language Learner)? YES  NO   
Do you have an IEP (Individual Education Plan)? YES  NO

## PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

### Primary Contact

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address (if different from student): \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Secondary Contact

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address (if different from student): \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## MEDICAL INFORMATION

Doctor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Care Card No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Allergies and/or conditions: \_\_\_\_\_  
Are any of these life-threatening? YES  NO  If "YES", please specify: \_\_\_\_\_  
Treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

# District Career Programs Application



## DRESS CODE

It is expected that students conform to District dress code guidelines, in addition to worksite-specific requirements (e.g. Trade-specific, professional office attire, uniform, personal protective equipment, etc.)

## RELEASE OF STUDENT INFORMATION

In accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protections of Privacy Act, Chilliwack School District requires consent to use personal information for purposes unrelated to educational programs.

***I will conform to the guidelines presented to me for appropriate attire while participating in any Chilliwack School District Career Education programs.***

***I give my consent for release of my name, address, email and phone number to School District personnel and/or community employers to contact me regarding Career Education activities, meeting or schedules.***

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## STUDENT IMAGES

Your child's photograph may be used for administrative and identification purposes consistent with providing an educational program. As such, your child's name, photograph and comments may be published in a District newsletter, brochure, video or website.

In addition, on occasion, Career Education activities may be featured by local news media as a means of information sharing or promotion. As such, your child's name, photograph and comments may be published in the newspaper, online or on social media channels.

***I give my consent for use or publication of my child's name, photograph and comments for purposes consistent with the above.***

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Medical Information & Release

## Junior Fire Crew Program



### PROGRAM: Jr. Fire Crew Program

*Fire fighters must maintain a high level of fitness to perform their duties effectively and professionally. At the Youth Fire Academy, you will be required to complete a physical fitness test, which is a standard screening tool for all Fire fighter candidates. This is a physically rigorous test, requiring students to perform at near-maximum heart rates, challenge upper body strength, muscular endurance, and coordination skills.*

1. List any injuries or illnesses affecting physical activity:

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2. Have you been under a doctor's care for any reason within the preceding two (2) years?

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3. Please list any allergies (including food allergies) or any special dietary requirements?

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4. Do you have a bone or joint problems that could be aggravated by physical activity?

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5. Do you feel pain in your chest when you exercise physically?

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6. Do you experience dizziness or do you ever lose consciousness?

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7. Are you currently on medication? If so, please describe below:

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8. Do you smoke? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Dr. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Care Card No: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

# Statement of Interest & Intent

## Junior Fire Crew Program



Chilliwack  
School District  
CAREER EDUCATION

**Application to this program is a competitive process. Please give detailed answers.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Program: **Jr. Fire Crew Program**

Career Goal: \_\_\_\_\_

1. What have you done to prepare yourself for study in this area (i.e. course work, extra-curricular activities, reading, interviewing people, etc.?)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. What have you done to prepare yourself for work in this area (i.e. volunteer work, work experience, job shadow, related job or transferrable job skills, interviewing people, etc.?)

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\_\_\_\_\_

3. What skills do you have that will help you be successful in this program?

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4. What interests you about a career in this field?

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5. What knowledge do you have of this career field? (i.e. opportunities for work, working conditions, wages, etc.?)

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6. What will you do to ensure your success in this program? Speak specifically to attendance, work habits, academic achievement and work experience.

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\_\_\_\_\_

7. What are your interests outside of school? (hobbies, sports, clubs, special talents, etc.)

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\_\_\_\_\_

8. Please explain any absences/lates you have this school year

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\_\_\_\_\_

# Teacher Reference Form

## Junior Fire Crew Program



Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Course you taught this student: \_\_\_\_\_

### This student has applied for a seat in the **Jr. Fire Crew Program**

- The program this student is applying for is academically and physically rigorous. The student must be self-motivated and able to apply the theory knowledge to their practical work. The ability to think critically is essential to the students' success.

**Do you feel the student applying can meet these criteria?**

**YES**                       **POSSIBLY**                       **NO**

- Can this student be counted on to represent the school district favorably in a professional setting?

**YES**                       **POSSIBLY**                       **NO**

- Do you feel this student has a sincere interest in this District Career program?

**YES**                       **POSSIBLY**                       **NO**

- Please help by providing frank comments about this student. This will aid in the selection of appropriate candidates for this program.

	Excellent	Good	Satisfactory	Needs Improvement
Maturity				
Accuracy/ability to follow instructions				
Enthusiasm and interest				
Adaptable – adjusts to new situations				
Follows through on assigned tasks				
Attendance				
Punctuality				
Shows motivation to learn new skills				
Can work independently				
Has positive attitude towards work				
Accepts constructive criticism				
Makes changes as a result of constructive criticism				

Evaluation completed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_