

**Mission Valley R.O.P.  
2009 – 2010  
SYLLABUS**

Course Title: Fire Driver/Operator  
Course Code/ Section # 804185  
Units of Credit: 20  
Meeting Days/Times: Monday – Friday 07:20 – 09:20 or 12:45 – 2:45  
Location/Room #: Mission Valley R.O.P. Campus/K4 East  
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Course Description: This competency based course prepares second year Fire Driver/Operator students in basic leadership skills needed for further training and/or employment in the Fire Service. Second year students will take on the leadership role of Fire Captain, and will assist the teacher with lecturing, presenting class information, skills training, providing assistance and guidance to students during exercises with equipment, mainly for the purposes of maintaining a safe environment. All responsibility for quality of instruction and safety lie with the instructor.

Second year students will also receive advanced training in fire engine operations, care, maintenance, and pumping operations. Their firefighting knowledge, manipulative skills and leadership roles can lead to advanced training and certifications.

Prerequisites: Complete and pass Fire Protection.

Course Objectives: To provide students interested in a Fire Service career, the opportunity to identify those qualifications and requirements for the position of Firefighter.

Required Text, Materials, Tools, and Resources: Textbooks and fire equipment supplied by the school. Students are expected to acquire a uniform consisting of a black dress shirt, black work pants, black belt with a chrome buckle or a fire service type buckle, black work boots, and navy blue shorts. A navy blue T-shirt and a patch will be provided and needs to be sewn onto the dress shirt.

Grading Policy Per Quarter:

25% attendance, 25% participation (Instructor's discretion), 50% tests. Any tests taken after the scheduled test date will incur a 10% point penalty. Ex: Test score is 80%, then minus 10% penalty for a score of 72%.

Letter Grades: A: 90 – 100%, B: 80 – 89%, C: 70 – 79%, D: 60 – 69%, F: Less than 60%.  
A grade of C or better for each quarter is required for a course completion certificate.

Weekly Assignment Schedule: Study current textbook chapters.

Attendance Policy: Be on time. Students are expected to be in class everyday for the entire class period. An advisory notice will be sent home for three consecutive unexcused class absences/missing more than 25% of the class time during a calendar month (excused or unexcused).

If your home high school has a day off, a minimum day, or an optional student event that may conflict with your Mission Valley ROP class, you are still expected to attend your Mission Valley ROP class.

Make up assignments will be given for excused absences only (medical, legal or bereavement circumstances). Failure to complete make up assignments will adversely affect your grade.

Only notes from parents will be accepted for absences, being late to class, and leaving the class early.

Every third time a student arrives late for class (official class start time) will result in one absence. A student must be present in class a minimum of 160 hours to receive the full 10 credits per semester.

Rules:

1. Students will be formed into crews with a Captain for each crew.
2. The students are expected to follow directions from the Captains.
3. Uniform inspection will be every Friday.
4. If a student is late to class (reasons not accepted) or not in full uniform without an adequate reason (such as a medical), they will do twenty-five pushups per infraction.
5. Harassing/disrespectful behavior and swearing will not be tolerated.
6. Anyone smelling of cigarette smoke or appearing under the influence of a drug will not be allowed in class.
7. Students are expected to sign for equipment loaned out and to be responsible for the care, use, maintenance, and return of the equipment. Any damaged or lost equipment will be charged at replacement cost.
8. Electronic equipment (cell phones, game players, etc.) are not to be used during class time without permission from the instructor.
9. Report any unsafe situations or practices.
10. Any student caught cheating on an exam or copying work from other students will be given one warning and a failing grade on that assignment. Any subsequent incident will result in termination from the Mission Valley ROP program, a failing grade, and loss of credits.
11. Food or drinks (with the exception of water in clear plastic bottles) will not be allowed in MVROP buildings, including classroom, lobby, hallway, and restrooms. The Student Lounge is the only room where food or drinks other than water should be consumed. Students violating this policy will receive one warning. Any subsequent incident will result in termination from his/her entire program. K4 kitchen is an exception.

Guidelines:

1. A medical release from physical activities may be requested by the instructor.
2. There will be thirty minutes of physical exercise every class day.
3. Work as an individual and as a team member.
4. Push ups are the standard discipline for minor rule infractions.

Class Events:

1. Attend a Fremont Fire Station.
2. Demonstrate learned skills to visitors and other schools.
3. Attend public events.

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Student Name

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Student Signature

Date

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Parent Name

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