



Village of Skokie

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The Skokie Fire Department Citizens Fire Academy

The Village of Skokie Fire Department offers a Citizens Fire Academy as part of its community education program. The 10-week Academy is held Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Fire Station #17, 8157 Central Park Avenue, Skokie, beginning Tuesday September 7, 2010.

The Citizens Fire Academy runs through November 9, 2010 and is designed to provide a working and hands-on knowledge of the fire department. The academy provides an overview of the department's history, fire prevention/education, CPR, fire tactics, emergency medical services, specialty teams and fire suppression. Through the combination of education, demonstration and participation, students will understand who, what, where, how and why the fire department works the way it does.

The Skokie Citizens Fire Academy is free and is available to anyone who lives or works in Skokie. Participants must be 18 years or older. Applications must be received by August 27 and are available online at www.skokie.org. Some of the activities are strenuous but participation in these activities is not mandatory.

For more information, please contact the Skokie Fire Department at 847/982-5340.

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