

Aparicio-Levy Technical College

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Firefighter Academy



This program prepares students for entry-level positions as firefighters. Students learn the knowledge and skills needed for the Florida Minimum Standards Firefighter exam.

Once completing the academy, graduates receive a career certificate and are qualified to take the state Firefighter II certification exams. The curriculum includes comprehensive training that prepares candidates to take the State exams and follows the framework set by the Florida Bureau of Fire Standards and Training.

Examples of topics covered: orientation to the fire service, fire alarms and communication, vehicles, apparatus and equipment, fire behavior, portable extinguishers, fire streams, fundamentals of extinguishment, ladders, hoses, tools and equipment, forcible entry, salvage, overhaul, ventilation, rescue, protective breathing equipment, safety, controlled burning.

Cost:	\$ 2,380 + \$ 1,000 for Tampa Fire Rescue \$ 3,180 for Hillsborough Co. Fire Rescue (Subject to change)
Length:	492 hours <u>TFR Academy - 5 months</u> Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm <u>HCFR Academy - 7 months</u> Tues - Thurs 6:00 - 10:00pm & Saturdays 8:00am - 4:30pm
Certification/ Licensure	Florida Firefighter Certification
Entry Level Pay Tampa Bay Area:	\$ 45,000 - \$55,000 annually
Next Class Start Dates:	September 2023 October 2023 January 2024 <i>Registration opens on:</i> <i>July 24 for the September class</i> <i>September 10 for October class</i> <i>October 15 for the January class</i>
Admissions Requirements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• High school diploma or GED• EMT or NREMT certification• FL Driver's License or Photo ID• Medical exam• Fingerprinting & background check• Additional State forms & State requirements for certification
Financial Aid	Program not eligible for FAFSA/PELL. Other financial assistance available for some students.

