## Lititz Fire Company No. 1

## **Membership Application Process Summary**



- □ Carefully read all the accompanying documents on the website
- Confirm that you meet all the eligibility criteria:
  - o Applicant is a high school graduate, has a GED, or is currently enrolled in high school
  - Applicant is not named in the Statewide database as the perpetrator of a <u>founded</u> or indicated report of child abuse within the past five years
  - Applicant has not been convicted of a drug or drug-related felony in the past five years
  - Applicant has not been convicted of, including the attempt, solicitation or conspiracy to commit, any of the following crimes at any time in the past:
    - Arson
    - Criminal homicide
    - Aggravated assault
    - Stalking
    - Kidnapping
    - Unlawful restraint
    - Rape
    - Statutory sexual assault
    - Involuntary deviate sexual intercourse
    - Sexual assault
    - Aggravated indecent assault
    - Indecent assault
    - Indecent exposure
    - Incest
    - Concealing the death of a child
    - Felony offense related to prostitution
    - Corruption of minors
    - Sexual abuse of children

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- Someone from the Fire Company will contact you to schedule an initial interview and discussion. If the applicant is under the age of 18, a parent should be included in the interview meeting.
  - At the interview meeting, you will:
    - Be asked why you are interested in joining the Fire Company
    - Be asked to provide a brief background on yourself
    - Receive information on the time commitments, training requirements, and overall expectations
  - o If the interview goes well and both parties want to move forward with the application process, you will be given an application to complete. The completed application shall be returned a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to a regularly scheduled Fire Company Business Meeting. Please make sure to sign the application form and include the \$2.00 dues payment
- After receipt of the completed application, the Fire Company will:
  - o Complete reference checks
  - o Complete criminal background checks
    - The applicant will be provided information on how to complete the PA Child Abuse Clearance and FBI background check

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After all the required information has been received, the application will be presented to the Fire Company membership at a regularly scheduled Business Meeting. The Fire Company membership will vote to accept or deny the application.
If the applicant is accepted into membership, they will work through an onboarding process with an existing member to begin the journey to become a Lititz Fire Company firefighter!
Within 90 days after acceptance, the applicant will have to complete a mandatory medical physical to confirm the ability to actively serve as a firefighter. The medical physical will be paid for by the Fire Company and the applicant will receive instructions on how to schedule the appointment at the approved medical facility.
The new member will have a one (1) year probationary period during which they will need to complete the required training and demonstrate a willingness to participate and contribute. At the end of the probationary period there will be second vote by the membership to accept the applicant into full membership.