

## Explorer Post Requirements

- Be at least 14 years of age and a graduate of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Be no older than twenty (21) years of age.
- Be enrolled and attending high school, or have graduated from high school.
- Have a minimum of a "C" average on the most recent grade report.
- Accept the obligation to observe the Explorer Code.
- Accept the obligation to comply with the Department's and Post's policies and procedures.
- Have permission from parents or legal guardian to participate in the Explorer Program
- Attend biweekly Wednesday night Post meetings.



### Want to Join?

Explorers meet and train every other week at Fire Station 3, 2 Turnpike Acres, Gray, on Wednesdays at 1830hrs.

For more information about becoming a Gray Fire-Rescue Explorer, please contact Post Advisor and Firefighter/EMT Jesse Bell or Associate Advisor and Firefighter/EMT Nick Hutchins at the Central Fire Station Monday-Friday between 8am-4pm at 207-657-3931.



## *Gray Fire-Rescue Explorer Post*



*"Our Best Today For A Better Tomorrow!"*

- **Are you in high school, between the ages of 14 and 21?**
- **Are you interested in a career as a Firefighter, EMT, or Paramedic?**
- **Do you like to meet new people and acquire new skills?**
- **The GFR Explorer Post can help!**

## What is Exploring?

Fire Service Exploring is a division of the "Learning for Life" program sponsored by the Boy Scouts of America. This is a worksite-based program for young men and women who have completed the eighth grade and are 14 years of age, but have not yet reached their 21st birthday.

Fire Service Explorer Posts help youth gain insight into a variety of programs that offer hands-on career activities. For young men and women who are interested in careers in the field of fire service, Exploring offers experiential learning with lots of fun-filled, hands-on activities that promote the growth and development of adolescent youth.



## Who Are We?

Explorers are dedicated high school men and women who have shown an interest in the Fire and Emergency Medical services. These ambitious young men and women are trained in CPR and First

Aid, are issued personal protective equipment, and help out the Fire Rescue Department during events and some emergencies. Some of them even ride the apparatus to emergencies, once cleared to do so by the department. Explorers can participate in this "ride along" program in which they respond to incidents as observers, or assist on incidents according to their experience and under the supervision of the fire officer.



## What kind of Training is provided?

Explorers are exposed to fire department operations, which include, structural fire fighting, emergency medical services, hazardous materials, and technical rescue. The Explorer training program includes instruction in the following areas:

- CPR / AED
- Hazardous Materials
- Report Documentation
- NIMS
- Scene Safety
- Fire Behavior
- Leadership
- Building Construction
- Communication
- Fire Department Equipment
- Basic & Advanced First Aid
- Basic Fire Fighting
- Search & Rescue
- Patient Assessment
- Fire Prevention
- Public Education
- Bleeding & Shock Control
- Technical Rescue
- And much more!

The objective of the training is to promote learning, teamwork, leadership, and organization with a hands-on approach that allows the member to experience fire department operations under close supervision.

