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Subject: Invitation to Mayor & Council: VFRS Youth Academy Graduation
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Dear Mayor and Council,

Vancouver Fire and Rescue Services (VFRS) would like to invite you to their Youth Academy's Graduation Ceremony as follows:

DATE: Friday, April 21st
TIME: 1:00pm
LOCATION: VFRS Training Site, 1330 Chess Street
RSVP: Please RSVP to Lt. Mark Baker at 604.665.6084 or mark.baker@vancouver.ca

VFRS is committed to the ongoing support and mentorship of our young people and therefore hosting the 5-day Youth Academy from April 17th to 21st 2023. The Academy program has been on a 3 year hiatus due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

24 students in grades 10 to 12 from across the City will take part in this challenging Academy where they will learn lifesaving CPR, master the use of portable fire extinguishers and also learn some of the same firefighting techniques that our frontline crews use to save lives and protect 24/7/365.

Further information can be found in the attached invitation. If you have additional questions, please contact Mark Baker @mark.baker@vancouver.ca

Best,
Paul



FIRE RESCUE SERVICES
Fire Chief/General Manager
Karen Fry

February 13, 2023

Hon. Mayor & Council,

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to attend Vancouver Fire Rescue Services (VFRS) Youth Academy's Graduation Ceremony. This will be held on Friday April 21st at 1:00 p.m. at the VFRS Training Site, 1330 Chess Street.

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Since 2010 over 200 young people have graduated the VFRS Youth Academy, the majority of whom remain connected to this department and regularly take part in ongoing training and community activities. They have gone on to careers such as Nursing, Law Enforcement, Higher Education and some have even returned to join VFRS as Fire Fighters. Many of these graduates will join us on April 21st to congratulate the new members of the VFRS Youth Academy Alumni.

Your presence is requested at the final live fire demonstration in which these students, in their fire companies will fight a working fire in a multi story apartment building. This will be followed by a graduation ceremony and inspection by myself and the presentation of a charity donation that they have raised and all this in the presence of family, friends and school staff.

It would be wonderful for our students to have the privilege of your attendance even if only for a short time. I recognize how busy you are, but if you can fit this into your schedule, it would be very much appreciated. Please RSVP to Lt. Mark Baker at 604.665.6084 or mark.baker@vancouver.ca

Sincerely,

Karen Fry
General Manager/Fire Chief

I humbly acknowledge that I am a settler on the unceded land and territory of the x^wməθk^wəjəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and səliiwətaʔt / səliiwituh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.