Welcome to the 12th Annual Central Texas Wildfire Academy
Sponsored by the Texas A&M Forest Service and the Dam Volunteer Fire Department

DATE: February 14 - 18, 2013
LOCATION: Camp Bowie Training Site, Brownwood, TX
COST: All courses are $20/day, with the exception of the Courage To Be Safe class, which is free.

Training tuition grants are available to VFDs through HB 2604. For more information, please contact the Grant Department at 979-458-5540.

HB2604 APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE TRAINING BEGINS.

Registration begins December 15, 2012. Early registration is encouraged, as class size is limited. Payment must be made prior to attending the class. All applications for tuition assistance must be turned in by the registration due date. Registrations are due by February 10, 2013. Substitutions are welcome; however walk-ins will not be accepted because of limited class size.

CHECK-IN:
Starts Wednesday, February 13th, 2013 from 1600 to 1930. Reopens Thursday, February 14th at 0700.

LODGING:
Barracks are available on the base on a first come, first serve basis. If this is the option you chose, please bring blankets and sheets, or sleeping bag, and pillow. Don't forget to bring toiletries and towels.

MEALS:
$15/day for meals – make checks payable to Dam VFD and bring to check-in (SEPARATE FROM TUITION)
NOTE: Dinner meals are on your own

This event will provide training to volunteer and agency wildland firefighters. The Central Texas Wildfire Academy is striving to offer a variety of training for all those dedicated to protecting lives and property.

The Texas Interagency Wildfire and Incident Management Academies provide training to wildland firefighters from Texas and through the United States to meet National Wildfire Coordination Group Standards. The Capital Area Academy, held in Bastrop, Texas during the month of October, and the East Texas Academy, during in Lufkin, Texas in May, provide classroom and “hands-on” training to more than 800 students in firefighting, supervisory, and prevention techniques.

Coming Soon:
East Texas Interagency Wildfire & Incident Management Academy
Angelina College – Lufkin, TX – May 14 - 24, 2013

Capital Area Interagency Wildfire & Incident Management Academy
Camp Swift – Bastrop, TX – October 11 – 25, 2013

Check the following website for more details in the coming months...
http://ticc.tamu.edu/Training/training.htm

For information regarding registration and payment, please contact:
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Participants MUST be 18 years old in order to take courses. No one under 18 is allowed on base.

Our Mission:
To enhance the Wildland Firefighters’ knowledge, utilizing NWCG standards to promote safe and cost effective operations.
Class Descriptions

S-130/190 Basic Firefighter Training
This introductory course is designed to train entry-level firefighters. The student will gain an understanding of the basic incident management organization, firefighting techniques, suppression equipment, safety, strategy/tactics, along with basic fire behavior. Field exercises will be performed for valuable hands-on training. This course is designed for entry-level firefighters.

*Prerequisite(s): NONE
**Limited to 50 students

(LIVE FIRE EXERCISE!! Full PPE is required for this course: nomex shirt and pants (or coveralls), leather gloves, eye protection, helmet, leather boots, fire pack, fire shelter)

S-131/133 Firefighter Type 1 / Look Up, Look Down, Look Around
This course is designed for the Advanced Firefighter/Squad Boss and Incident Commander Type 5. It provides a comprehensive review of the Fireline Handbook. Training includes strategy, tactics and safety, as well as training to identify environmental factors and indicators of hazardous fire conditions, and how to use these indicators when implementing the Risk Management Process. This course is designed to be interactive in nature.

*Prerequisite(s): Qualified as a Firefighter Type 2 (FFT2)
**Limited to 25 students

S-234 Ignition Operations
This course introduces the roles and responsibilities of a firing boss (FIRB), common firing devices, and general firing operations and techniques. This course is designed for those desiring to be qualified as firing boss (FIRB).

*Prerequisite(s): Successful completion of S-290; satisfactory completion of pre-course work.
**Limited to 25 students

(LIVE FIRE EXERCISE!! Full PPE is required for this course: nomex shirt and pants (or coveralls), leather gloves, eye protection, helmet, leather boots, fire pack, fire shelter)

Courage To Be Safe
This is a FREE course, open to anyone.
Not an NWCG course.
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Brownwood, TX
Registration Form

For registration information, please contact Meredith McNeil at 979-458-7330 or email mmcneil@rfs.tamu.edu.
For information about Academy specifics, please contact either Mary Leathers at 979-218-3030 or Charles Tice at 936-545-7194.

PLEASE FILL OUT FORM COMPLETELY

STUDENT’S NAME: ___________________________ DATE SUBMITTED: _______________________
(Participants MUST be 18 years old; no one under 18 is allowed on base.)

AGENCY: ________________________________________________________________

FD/OTHER: ________________________________________________________________

MAILING ADDRESS: ___________________________ DAYTIME PHONE #: _________________
_________________________________________ OTHER PHONE #: _________________

BILLING ADDRESS: ___________________________ FAX #: __________________________
(if different from mailing) ___________________________ EMAIL ADDRESS: ___________________________
(REQUIRED)

Please provide an emergency contact name & number (other than your supervisor):
________________________________________

I would like to be enrolled in the following courses:

CLASS: ________________________________________________________________

CLASS: ________________________________________________________________

CLASS: ________________________________________________________________

Supervisor’s Name: ___________________________ Title: __________________ Telephone: __________________

Supervisor’s Signature: ____________________________________________
FINANCIAL INFORMATION

STUDENT COST:
$20/ day
Make checks payable to: Texas A&M Forest Service

ATTENTION VFDs!!!!
If you have been approved for HB2604 funding, please DO NOT bring payment to check-in.

CLASSES:
S-130/190 Basic Firefighter Training ($100) ___________
S-131/133 Firefighter Type 1/ Look Up, Look Down, Look Around ($20) ___________
S-234 Ignitions Operations ($60) ___________
Courage To Be Safe (FREE) ___________
Total $ _________

Method of Payment

Payment in the form of a credit card, check, or money order must be received prior to attending academy courses. For those with HB2604 approved funding, please fax in your approval letter in lieu of payment.

*HB2604 ______ Check ______ Money Order ______ Credit Card ______

Credit Card Number: ___ ___ ___ ___ - ___ ___ ___ ___ - ___ ___ ___ ___ - ___ ___ ___ ___
Expiration Date: ___ ___ / ___ ___ Visa ___ MasterCard ___ Discover ___ AmEx ___
Cardholder’s Signature: ____________________________________________

Cardholder’s Name and Address:
(As it appears on credit card statement – for verification purposes only): ____________________________________________

**Credit card payments will be processed immediately upon receipt.

We reserve the right to cancel any class or classes that do not meet the minimum number of registrations. Students enrolled in these classes will be notified and given the opportunity to register for alternative classes.

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