

Texas Interagency Wildfire & Incident Management Academy

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East Texas Interagency Wildfire & Incident Management Academy Information Sheet

The East Texas Interagency Wildland & Incident Management Academy will be operated utilizing the Incident Command System ... meaning the daily operations will be managed by an Incident Management Team. This will be similar to what you will see in a fire camp. To ensure a “smooth” operation during the academy, the following rules apply to ALL individuals, students and staff.

CHECK-IN

- Check-in will begin on Tuesday, May 15th at 6:30 a.m. You will be able to check-in daily between 6:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prior to the start of your class. If you are registered for more than one class, you only need to check-in once. You are, however, required to de-mob after each class in order to receive your certificate(s).
- The Academy is located at Angelina Junior College in Lufkin, Texas. Check-in will be located in the Technical/Workforce Building, Room 152.
- You are encouraged to attend the morning briefings at 7:15 a.m. All courses run approximately 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., unless otherwise specified by the instructor.
- The Texas Interagency Wildfire & Incident Management Academy teaches NWCG courses in accordance with NWCG standards. It is the responsibility of the students and their supervisors to ensure that ALL prerequisites are fulfilled for courses they are registered for.
- 100% attendance is required to receive credit for the courses you are registered for.

ANGELINA JUNIOR COLLEGE

- Appropriate behavior is expected at all times. This is a college campus, so please be respectful. **Absolutely NO alcohol or drugs will be permitted on campus or at any of the field exercises.** Ignorance of this policy will not be tolerated and you will be **de-mobed with a letter sent back to your home unit explaining the reason for your dismissal.**
- Smoking is allowed anywhere on the campus **OUTSIDE** of the buildings.
- Casual dress is permitted ... please refrain from wearing t-shirts or caps that may be inappropriate or offensive.

TRAVEL & LODGING INFORMATION

- Lodging information can be found at <http://ticc.tamu.edu/training.htm>.
- Students are responsible for making their own hotel reservations and cancellations.
- Airport to fly into: George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH) in Houston, Texas ... about 2 hours south of Lufkin. We **do not** have shuttle service to and from the airport.

PRE-WORK

- Student pre-work is required if you are enrolled in FI-110/210, L-280, S-200, S-203, S-212, S-230, S-232, S-234, S-270, S-290, and/or S-336. **Please complete the pre-work and bring it back with you on the first day of class.** If you do not receive your pre-work material, please contact the academy registrar at academyregistrar@tfs.tamu.edu.
- Essential course materials will be provided (ex., student workbook). *Students registered for I-100, L-180, S-130/190 will be provided a Fireline Handbook and an Incident Response Pocket Guide.*
- Please refer to your course inserts for any materials you are required to bring. There will be limited extras available.

FIELD EXERCISES

- If you are enrolled in BEAST, DOZ OPS, FI-110/210, GPS, L-280, S-130/190, S-211, S-212, and/or S-234, you will need all of your Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). PPE includes nomex shirt and pants, hardhat, leather boots and gloves. Your agency or department should be able to provide these items for you. If not, you will be able to check nomex shirt & pants and hardhat out of our supply cache ... items will be limited.

TASKBOOKS

- Taskbooks will not be initiated at the Academy ... they are to be initiated by your home unit.

PAYMENT and CANCELLATIONS

- Payment must be made **PRIOR** to attending class. Methods of payment include: credit cards (Visa/Mastercard/Discover/American Express), check, money order, purchase orders, or through the HB 2604 program (<http://ticc.tamu.edu/hb2604.htm>). Registration fees are payable in full unless cancellation is received by April 24, 2012.
- For a full refund on registration fees, cancellations **must be** received by April 24, 2012. A late fee of \$55 per class will be incurred for cancellations received on or after April 25, 2012. No shows will also incur this \$55 late fee per class. Substitutions can be made if you will not be able to attend ... please contact the academy registrar.
- **If you do not attend or do not cancel your registration before the deadline, you will be charged a \$55 late fee for each class.** Please be courteous, there are students on waiting lists who want to get into a class you may be registered for.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

- Directions to Angelina College can be found on the TICC webpage, www.tamu.edu/ticc/training.htm or at the Angelina College website <http://www.angelina.cc.tx.us/virtualtour/index.htm>.

We hope you will enjoy your time at the East Texas Interagency Wildfire & Incident Management Academy. If you have any questions, please contact the academy registrar at (979) 458-7330 or email: academyregistrar@tfs.tamu.edu.

Have a safe trip and we will see you there!!!