

State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services & Public Protection Commission on Fire Prevention and Control

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1. 2017 CFA Seminar Series in March – Leading With Attitude – Sign Up Now

Speaker: Eddie Buchanan, Hanover Fire & EMS Course #s: March 24th (17343) or March 25th (17351)

Course Fee: \$65.00

Course Description:

This program will explore how we, as individuals, can help ensure our departments are on track and ways we can truly make a difference in our organization, regardless of rank.

It's easy to complain about the job, but what can you really do about it! What can you do about others who don't love it like you do? This program offers a rankless "gut check" into how we each contribute to the success of the fire service. Concepts such as loyalty alignment, followership, and attitude are explored in detail and tangible techniques to facilitate change are offered.

Instructor Biography:

Eddie Buchanan began his fire service career in 1982 and is an assistant chief with Hanover Fire & EMS in Richmond, VA. He is a past president of the International Society of Fire Service Instructors and is the 2015 recipient of the George D. Post, Instructor of the Year Award from the ISFSI. He serves on the NFPA Technical Committee on Fire Service Training and the newly formed NFPA 1700 Committee. He is a past board member of the Volunteer/Combination Officer's Section of the International Association of Fire Chiefs and serves on a variety of advisory boards and committees for the fire service industry. Chief Buchanan is known for the creation of the SLICE-RS concept that is part of the ISFSI Principles of Modern Fire Attack Program.

For more info: http://www.ct.gov/cfpc/cwp/view.asp?Q=590414&A=833

2. CT Fire Chiefs Association Phase III Grant Information Session – Last Chance to Register!

CFCA PHASE III GRANT INFORMATION SESSION: FINANCIAL AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

The Connecticut Fire Chiefs Association in partnership with the Volunteer Workforce Solutions program has been awarded Phase III of the FEMA SAFER grant. During Phase II, with 15 departments and the goal of recruiting 150 new volunteer firefighters, the program exceeded that goal by recruiting 393 new members. A Cadet program which introduced fourteen and fifteen years old into the fire service through a six-day camp was also sponsored by the program. Phase III will be delivered over three years in the form of NFPA physicals, conference scholarships, and much more. To hear more about how your department can benefit from these opportunities, please join us at the Branford Fire Department either Friday March 24 or Saturday March 25 from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM. Registration is from 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM.

Lunch will be provided.

Date and time: Friday March 24, 2017 or Saturday March 25, 2017 from 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Location: Branford Fire Department Headquarters, 45 North Main St, Branford, CT 06405

Who should attend: The information session will be beneficial to all ranks! All departments in Connecticut are welcome to attend.

Please register by March 20, 2017 at https://ctvws_phase3.eventbrite.com

Have Questions? Contact Abena Bonso-Bruce by email or at 703-896-4836 or Fred Dudek by email or at 860-304-3206

3. WebEOC Training Course – April 12, 2017

The Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security is pleased to offer WebEOC V8.1 training for State of CT agencies, local EMD's and first responder personnel. Please note that basic computer skills and Internet Explorer knowledge is required for training. Once training is complete, the system can be used on a daily basis to monitor activity in the state and to manage incidents at the local, regional and state levels. It can also be used for drills and exercises. The course will be held at 269 Maxim Rd, Hartford, CT. For more information and registration visit: Link:

http://ct.gov/demhs/ical/eventDetail_page.asp?date_ID=C9C6CBCFCD83CDC9CE

4. Accelerated On-Line FF 1 and FF 2

The Burrville Fire School announces their on-line accelerated classes for this summer. These are fast moving, demanding courses of study/practice. You are expected to make *all* of the classes. You must be a self-motivated student who is comfortable with on-line learning.

Firefighter 1 will begin on May 15th. It will run on Monday & Wednesday nights from 6 PM to 10 PM. It is approximately 3-months in length. The cost is \$1,050 and includes the course text.

Firefighter 2 will begin on May 15th. It will then run on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6 PM to 10 PM. It is approximately 2-months in length. The cost is \$850. This does not include a text (which can be purchased separately). The text is available to all as an on-line e-book and downloadable audio book.

Locations have not yet been determined although we are planning on eastern Litchfield County for ease of access for those coming from a distance. The state practical exam dates are to be determined. The deadline for applying is May 1st. After May 1st there will be a 10% late fee.

For more information, contact Richard Marcus at 860-307-2267 or richardmarcus@earthlink.net

5. EMR Class

Westfield FD in Middletown is hosting an initial EMR certification class on Mondays and Thursdays and a few weekend days starting April 3rd and ending May 4th. Cost for course is \$450.

Please contact Harold Holmes at hholmes@westfieldfd.com or Pcoco@westfieldfd.com for more information.

6. CSFA 9th Annual Hall of Fame Dinner – April 6, 2017

The Ninth Annual Connecticut State Firefighters Association Hall of Fame Dinner will be held on Thursday, April 6, 2017 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Aqua Turf Club, Mulberry Street in Southington. Cost is \$40 per person. See the attached flyer for Ticket Purchase and Ad Book information and list of Class of 2017 Inductees.

7. Employment Opportunity – Firefighter/Paramedic – Town of Manchester

The Town of Manchester has posted the position of Firefighter/Paramedic. Please see the attached position announcement. Closing date is Friday, March 31, 2017.

8. Employment Opportunity – Fire Service Analyst – State of CT

The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection's Commission on Fire Prevention and Control Division has posted a job opportunity for the position of Fire Service Analyst (Director of Certification). Attached is the job posting with specific application filing instructions. Closing date to apply is Tuesday, March 28, 2017 (Incomplete or late application packages will not be considered).

PLEASE DO NOT REPLY TO THIS EMAIL

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THE DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION JOB OPPORTUNITY FIRE SERVICE ANALYST

PLEASE FOLLOW THE SPECIFIC APPLICATION FILING INSTRUCTIONS AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE!

Open To: The Public

Location: Windsor Locks

Job Posting No: 100594

Hours: 40 hours (full-time)

Salary: \$69,393 - \$89,629 (New hires to state employment start at the minimum salary range)

Closing Date: Tuesday, March 28, 2017 (Incomplete or late application packages will not be considered)

Eligibility Requirement: This is a competitive classification that DOES NOT require candidates to have applied for and passed the Fire Service Analyst examination. EXAMINATION IS NOT REQUIRED. Candidates MUST POSSESS the GENERAL EXPERIENCE to qualify.

This class is accountable for performing as a specialist in developing and administering statewide fire certification examinations.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: Considerable knowledge of modern firefighting procedures and techniques including state fire regulations; considerable knowledge of firefighter qualifications and certifications and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Professional Qualification Standards; considerable knowledge of principles and techniques of test item development and administration; interpersonal skills; oral and written communication skills; ability to evaluate practical skills in firefighting techniques; ability to utilize computer software.

General Experience: Seven (7) years of experience in education and testing.

Special Experience: One (1) year of the General Experience must have been in test development of firefighting procedures and techniques at the level of Trainer.

Substitution Allowed:

- 1. College training may be substituted for the General Experience on the basis of fifteen (15) semester hours equalling one-half (1/2) year of experience to a maximum of four (4) years for a Bachelor's degree.
- 2. A Master's degree in a closely related field may be substituted for one (1) additional year of the General Experience.

Special Requirement: Incumbents in this class may be required to travel.

Preferred Qualifications and skills: Duties include but not limited to the following: Plans, develops and monitors a statewide testing and certification system for fire service personnel; Monitor the NFPA standards development process for all National Fire Service Professional Qualification Standards that our state certification is based upon. Each of these standards are on a 5 year revision cycle necessitating comprehensive updates for each of the 33 levels we administer; Manages the division's national accreditation by both the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications and the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress. Serve as the first step review of any challenge posed by certification candidates; In cooperation with DESPP Legal, manage the review and update of Certification Regulations; Maintain valid and reliable test components for all 33 levels of competency testing. Test components include Psycho-Motor, Cognitive and Live Fire Audits. Test banks and individual test items are continually reviewed and updated based up psychometrics and analysis for each test administration. Write new test items and test banks as needed. Test items/banks are locally validated by committee's empanelled and overseen by the Fire Service Analyst; Review and process challenge requests and requests for reciprocal credit for fire service personnel entering the state, perform training and education portfolio reviews as part of alternative or embedded testing scenarios; Responsible to oversee the scheduling of all test proctors/examiners for an average of 100 test locations per year.

Address ADA Test Accommodation requests in cooperation with the state ADA Coordinator when received; Provide technical assistance to fire service organizations to insure compliance with ConnOSHA requirements, federal and state training and certification regulations; Provide training to certified fire service instructors and agency proctors/evaluators on unit policy and procedures; Attend on a regular basis meetings of the Statewide Fire Service Organizations in order to promote the system and respond to issues/questions as they arise; Liaison to Charter Oak State College for articulated credit reviews of CT Fire Academy Programs; Liaison to the federal Department of Veteran's Affairs for students enrolled under the GI Bill; Direct the Units transition to the Division's Learning Management System; Validate Official Transcript

Requests; Supervises one full-time Processing Technician I and approximately 60 adjunct Fire Service Instructors who serve as Proctors and Examiners.

Note: The filling of this position will be in accordance with reemployment, SEBAC, transfer, promotion and merit employment rules, if applicable.

Application Instructions: Interested and qualified candidates who meet the above requirements must submit a cover letter, resume, <u>CT HR 12</u> (State Application) & <u>CT HR 13</u> (Addendum), and two (2) letters of professional references from current and/or previous supervisors. State employees must submit two most recent performance appraisals in lieu of references by **Tuesday, March 28, 2017, close of business** to:

The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection 1111 Country Club Road, Middletown, CT 06457 Attn: Mildred Mandry, Human Resources Associate

> Or Fax: (860) 685 – 8356

DUE TO THE LARGE VOLUME OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED, WE ARE UNABLE CONFIRM RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS.

Candidates who have been selected for employment with the Department of Emergency Services & Public Protection are subject to a detailed background investigation, including a fingerprint supported state and federal criminal history records check along with reference checks. Selection for employment is contingent upon satisfactory completion of the background investigation.

AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

The State of Connecticut is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and strongly encourages the applications of women, minorities, and persons with disabilities.

If you are requesting special accommodations under the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) please contact Daphne Lewis, Equal Employment Opportunity Specialist 1 at (860) 685 - 8010 or Daphne.Lewis@ct.gov.



CONNECTICUT STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

The Connecticut State Firefighters Association

Ninth Annual Hall of Fame Dinner

Thursday April 6, 2017 7pm Dinner 6-7 Open Bar

Aqua Turf—Mulberry Street **Southington**

Cost \$40.00 per person

For tickets: CSFA Office (860) 423 -5799, William Coffey (203) 746 -1424 or Bob Guthrie (203) 934-7565 **ALL TICKETS MUST BE PAID FOR BY April 1, 2017**

The Class of 2017 Inductees

William Abbott Hartford/Si	tate Fire Marsh
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Poquonnock Bridge *(Deceased) Edward B. Amatrudo

Ashford Wayne Fletcher

Suffield/Wethersfield Charles Flynn Westfield (Middletown) Burt Hale

Simsbury Kevin Kowalski James O'Neil **Thomaston**

George H. Quinn Bethany Clarence Rees **Bethel**

West Redding * (Deceased) David A. Sanford North Stonington (Deceased) Robert G. Sawyer III

*Edward Amatrudo - Poquonnock Bridge, Noank, Westbrook, Nichols, Branford and North Branford *David Sanford - West Redding, Danbury, Wilton and Westport



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The Connecticut State Firefighters Association is holding the Ninth Annual Hall of Fame Dinner. The dinner will be held on Thursday April 6, 2017 (6pm), at the Aqua Turf, (Mulberry Street) in Southington.

We are currently accepting ads for our ad book to help defray the costs of the event. The ad book will measure $5 \frac{1}{2} \times 8 \frac{1}{2}$ and is the perfect opportunity to congratulate the recipients, or promote your products, or organization.

Program Book Price	e List
Center Page	\$175.00
Rear Cover	\$145.00
Inside Front Cover	\$130.00
Inside Rear Cover	\$130.00
Full Page	\$125.00
Half Page	\$ 75.00
Business Card	\$ 35.00

Please make your checks payable to CSFA and include with your ad/ artwork. Forward ads to:

> William Coffey 45 Beaver Brook Road Danbury, CT 06810 (203) 746 -1424

Ads MUST be received by March 25, 2017



TOWN OF MANCHESTER



POSITION AVAILABLE

FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC \$54,496.45 CLOSING DATE: FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 2017

(Applications must be received in the Human Resources Department by 4:30 p.m.)

SUMMARY OF POSITION: Performs a variety of duties in response to medical and psychiatric emergencies, and involved in the control and extinguishment of fires; protection of life and property; maintenance of Fire Department buildings, quarters, equipment and related work as required. Medical supervision is received from the Medical Director or his/her designee while administrative supervision and firefighting supervision is provided by the Fire Chief – Manchester Fire Rescue EMS Department.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Graduation from a standard high school or technical school or an equivalent as certified by the State Board of Education. Candidates must possess some mechanical aptitude and have the ability to work with mechanical-related tools or other mechanical equipment. Experience in firefighting, fire prevention and Emergency Medical Technician work or an Associate's degree in Fire Science is desirable. Preference given to applicants who have completed recruit school. APPLICANTS MUST BE LICENSED AS A PARAMEDIC by the Office of Emergency Medical Services in Connecticut or be eligible to transfer an out-of-state Paramedic certification to Connecticut or possess a Connecticut Paramedic License prior to appointment to the position. APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT A COPY OF PARAMEDIC LICENSE AND CPAT* CERTIFICATION (IF AVAILABLE) ALONG WITH APPLICATION FORM. CANDIDATES MUST HAVE SUCCESSFULLY PASSED THE CPAT TEST WITHIN 24 MONTHS OF THE TIME OF APPOINTMENT.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS: A minimum of not less than 20/40 uncorrected vision in one eye and 20/100 in the other eye, with correction not less than 20/20 in one eye and 20/40 in the other eye is required. Hearing level must meet guidelines as established by the NFPA standard dated 1992. A comprehensive physical examination conducted by the Town's physician will also be required. The physical examination will include a screening for use of illegal drugs or controlled substances.

Examination Will Consist Of:

<u>Parts</u> <u>Weights</u> <u>Passing Score</u>

Written Examination 100% 70% (tentatively scheduled the week of May 1, 2017)

Agility Examination (CPAT) Pass/Fail

Applications and job descriptions are available in the Human Resources Department, 41 Center, Street, P.O. Box 191, Manchester, CT 06045-0191 or by calling the Recruitment Information Line (860) 647-3170 or visit our website at http://www.manchesterct.gov. Applications must be received in the Human Resources Department by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 31, 2017 or must be postmarked by Friday, March 31, 2017. **No faxed or e-mailed resumes and/or applications will be accepted.**

The Town of Manchester shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, age, sex, national origin, physical disability or sexual orientation. The Human Resources Department provides reasonable accommodation to persons with disabilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you need an accommodation in the application or testing process, please contact the Human Resources Department.

The above posting is intended as a guide for personnel actions and must not be taken as a complete description of the position or the process.

Vacancy No. 2017-011 3/17

^{*}Candidates are required to pass a Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT) conducted by the Connecticut Fire Academy. CPAT application and information available at CT Fire Academy at www.ct.gov/cfpc or (860) 627-6363.