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Dear Fire Chief,

I am writing to let you know about our upcoming **Discover Firefighting Summer Academies** for high school and middle school students. The Discover Firefighting Academies are a residential program where students stay on the UW Oshkosh campus.

New this year is our middle school program for students entering in 6th – 8th grades. Each day, students learn from area firefighters and participate in field activities.

Activities for these academies include:

- Handling ladders, hoses, fire extinguishers, self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and personal protective equipment (PPE)
- CPR / AED “Heart Saver Class”
- Water rescue / hydrant operations / search & rescue
- Introduction to the fire and emergency medical services
- Meals and networking opportunities with fire department personnel
- Mentorship and hands-on activities provided by professional firefighters
- Opportunities for teamwork, problem-solving and leadership development

I have enclosed a poste, and I am hoping you might be able to display the poster in your station.

In past years, we’ve had a significant number of students who had a family connection to fire-fighting and EMS. We are hoping you can help us spread the word within your station.

If you or staff members would like to learn more, call us toll-free at (800) 633-1442 or email conted@uwosh.edu. **We do offer scholarships for this program**, and there is an easy application process online. You can also visit our website at uwosh.edu/go/youth.

Thank you for your assistance!

Sincerely,

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