

Articulation Agreement and Contract for Instruction
for the
Dual-Credit Fire Academy
between
The Ector County Independent School District
and
Odessa College

The purpose of the Odessa College Dual-Credit Fire Academy (hereinafter called “Program”) is to provide a curriculum at Odessa College for fire technology students beginning in their Junior year in high school and continuing through their Senior year.

The following articulation agreement and contract for instruction between The Ector County Independent School District (hereinafter called “ISD”) and Odessa College (hereinafter called “College”) will award Program students four credits in high school Fire Fighter courses, as well as the opportunity to sit for and pass the Texas Commission on Fire Protection Basic Certification Exam and the National Registry EMT Exam. Also, Program students will be awarded 28 semester credit hours in Fire Science and six semester credit hours in Emergency Medical Services from Odessa College which fulfills the requirements for the Level I Basic Fire Fighter Certificate. Program students may, at their option, continue on with advanced academic and workplace courses to attain the Associate’s in Applied Science Degree in Fire Administration.

To provide a smooth transition for Program students from the Ector County Career Center as well as other high school campus sites (hereinafter called “schools”) to the College, and to eliminate duplication of coursework, the ISD and College agree as follows:

The ISD agrees to:

1. Provide and maintain all Junior and Senior level courses on the ECISD Dual Credit inventory listed as “High School Credit for College Courses.” These courses and credits awarded are:
 - a. N1256886, Firefighter I (2 Credits), and
 - b. N1256887, Firefighter II (2 Credits).
2. Furnish the College with official copies of the following for each Program student:
 - a. High School transcript, and
 - b. Properly executed Dual Credit Form.
3. Provide payments listed in Appendix A to the College for all Junior and Senior students to the College for:
 - a. Students’ expenses incurred for all supplies, equipment, textbooks, and liability insurance;
 - b. All tuition and fees for FIRS 1401, FIRS 1407, FIRS 1413, FIRS 1419, FIRS 1423, FIRS 1429, FIRS 1433, EMSP 1501, and EMSP 1160; and
 - c. Expenses for certification exams.
4. Provide transportation to and from the College for all Program students.

The College agrees to:

1. Provide a college instructor for all Program students.
2. Provide all instructional facilities, instructional materials, and equipment.
3. Provide instruction in:
 - a. FIRS 1401 *Firefighter Certification I*
 - b. FIRS 1407 *Firefighter Certification II*
 - c. FIRS 1413 *Firefighter Certification III*
 - d. FIRS 1419 *Firefighter Certification IV*
 - e. FIRS 1423 *Firefighter Certification V*
 - f. FIRS 1429 *Firefighter Certification VI*
 - g. FIRS 1433 *Firefighter Certification VII*
 - h. EMSP 1160 *Clinical – Emergency Medical Technology/Technician*
 - i. EMSP 1501 *Emergency Medical Technician - Basic*
4. Grant credit for:
 - a. FIRS 1401 and FIRS 1407 for successful completion of the first semester in the program.
 - b. FIRS 1413 and FIRS 1419 for successful completion of the second semester.
 - c. FIRS 1423, FIRS 1429, and FIRS 1433 for successful completion of the third semester.
 - d. EMSP 1501 and EMSP 1160 for successful completion of the fourth semester.
5. Provide the ISD with an accurate attendance report for Program students.

The ISD and College agree:

1. Each Program student must remit \$100 per semester applicable to tuition and/or fees to the College.
2. Promote the program as appropriate.

This agreement shall become effective when signed by appropriate representatives of the ISD and College, and shall remain in effect, on a year by year basis, until its termination. This agreement may be terminated at the end of any academic year by either party by giving at least a one semester notice to the other party.

Mr. Hector Mendez
Superintendent,
Ector County ISD

Date

Dr. Gregory D. Williams
President, Odessa College

Date

Appendix A
Program Costs per Participant by Semester
For The
Dual-Credit Fire Academy

SEMESTER	TUITION (Note 1)	BOOKS AND EQUIPMENT (Note 2)	LIABILITY INSURANCE (Note 3)	LAB FEES (Note 4)	TEST FEES (Note 5)	TOTAL
First Semester First Year	\$424.00	\$280.00	\$8.00			\$712.00 *-100.00 \$612.00
Second Semester First Year	\$424.00		\$8.00			\$432.00 *-100.00 \$332.00
First Semester Second Year	\$636.00		\$8.00		30.00	\$674.00 *-100.00 \$574.00
Second Semester Second Year	\$318.00	\$198.00	\$8.00	\$20.00	\$70.00	\$614.00 *-100.00 \$514.00

* Less student payment

Notes:

1. Tuition is calculated on a semester hour basis according to the standard tuition set by the Odessa College Board of Trustees.
2. Textbook charges are actual costs from the College's contract bookstore vendor (Texas Books). Equipment charges are actual costs from fire equipment vendors selected by the College.
3. Student liability insurance is required by the Texas Department of Health. The charges are the costs approved by the Odessa College Board of Trustees based upon the College bid process.
4. All lab fees represent actual costs approved by the Odessa College board of Trustees.
5. Test fees are charged for the Basic Fire Suppression Exam and the National Registry EMT Exam. The charges represent the actual costs for these examinations.
6. Any other costs are the responsibility of the student.