

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 up to four (4) high school credits in 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. Program students will also be awarded up to twenty-four (24) college semester credit hours in Fire Science and six (6) college 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 at Odessa College to attain the Associate’s in Applied Science Degree in Fire Administration.

To provide a smooth transition for Program students from the high school campus sites 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. 13029900, *Firefighter I* (2 Credits), and
 - b. 13030000, *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 to the College as listed in Appendix A for all Junior and Senior students for:
 - a. Students’ expenses incurred for all supplies, equipment, textbooks, and liability insurance;
 - b. All tuition and fees (less the payments required from the students) for:
 - i. FIRS 1301 *Firefighter Certification I*
 - ii. FIRS 1407 *Firefighter Certification II*
 - iii. FIRS 1313 *Firefighter Certification III*
 - iv. FIRS 1319 *Firefighter Certification IV*
 - v. FIRS 1323 *Firefighter Certification V*
 - vi. FIRS 1329 *Firefighter Certification VI*
 - vii. FIRS 1433 *Firefighter Certification VII*
 - viii. FIRS 1167 *Firefighting Practicum*
 - ix. EMSP 1160 *Clinical – Emergency Medical Technology/Technician*
 - x. EMSP 1501 *Emergency Medical Technician - Basic*

- 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 1301 *Firefighter Certification I*
 - b. FIRS 1407 *Firefighter Certification II*
 - c. FIRS 1313 *Firefighter Certification III*
 - d. FIRS 1319 *Firefighter Certification IV*
 - e. FIRS 1323 *Firefighter Certification V*
 - f. FIRS 1329 *Firefighter Certification VI*
 - g. FIRS 1433 *Firefighter Certification VII*
 - h. FIRS 1167 *Firefighting Practicum*
 - i. EMSP 1160 *Clinical – Emergency Medical Technology/Technician*
 - j. EMSP 1501 *Emergency Medical Technician - Basic*
4. Grant credit for:
 - a. FIRS 1301 and FIRS 1407 for successful completion of the first semester in the program.
 - b. FIRS 1313 and FIRS 1319 for successful completion of the second semester.
 - c. FIRS 1323, FIRS 1329, FIRS 1433 and FIRS 1167 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 to:

1. Require each program student to remit \$150 per semester to the college to be applied to tuition and/or fees.
2. Adhere to the Odessa College calendar.
3. Determine mutually agreed upon entrance and exit criteria for students.
4. Promote the program as appropriate.
5. Annually review, revise and adopt Appendix A on or before May 1st of each year. Appendix A shall list and define the Program costs per student by semester and shall be effective for the academic year described therein.

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 Student by Semester
For The
Dual-Credit Fire Academy
Effective for the 2011 – 2012 Academic Year

SEMESTER	CREDIT HOURS (Note 1)	TUITION (Note 2)	LIABILITY INSURANCE (Note 3)	LAB FEES (Note 4)	TEST FEES (Note 5)	BOOKS AND EQUIPMENT (Note 6)	TOTAL
First Semester First Year	7	\$357.00	\$32.00			\$280.00	\$669.00 * <u>-150.00</u> \$519.00
Second Semester First Year	6	\$306.00	\$32.00				\$338.00 * <u>-150.00</u> \$188.00
First Semester Second Year	11	\$561.00	\$32.00		30.00		\$623.00 * <u>-150.00</u> \$473.00
Second Semester Second Year	6	\$306.00	\$32.00	\$20.00	\$70.00	\$198.00	\$626.00 * <u>-150.00</u> \$476.00

* Less student payment

Notes:

1. Credit Hours shown reflect the suggested course load per semester for each program student. If a student's course load varies, the cost to the ISD will be calculated based on the actual semester credit hours taken by each student.
2. Tuition is calculated on a semester hour basis according to the standard dual-credit tuition set by the Odessa College Board of Trustees for in district students. An additional \$35 per semester credit hour will be charged for out of district students.
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. 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.
7. Any other costs are the responsibility of the student.

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