

# PBFR Explorer Program

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The program's **mission** is to help build a positive character in young men and women and to promote public service through a better understanding of the role of the Fire Rescue system in the community.

The program's **purpose** is to develop and prepare young adults to become active participants in their community through excellent leadership and teaching.

The program **values** integrity, honesty, and hard work. We agree that we are a family and therefore are committed to helping and caring for each other at all times.

## A FEW THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ....

1. Membership is open to all young adults 14 years of age and in the ninth grade, but no older than 19 years of age. Candidates must enter into the Explorer program prior to their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. No prospective member will be disqualified because of race, color, religion, creed, sex, national origin, or handicap status. All members must agree to and sign the post's by-laws. City residents will be given first priority.
2. Persons applying for membership shall supply the following information to the senior advisor: name, address, telephone number (s), driver's license number (if applicable), social security number, brief medical history, education history, and 2 emergency contact persons.
3. All membership application and registration fees must be completed and returned to the senior advisor upon acceptance into the post. All other applicants will be put on a waiting list in the order in which they were received.
4. All new members shall be on *probationary status* for 6 months. Probationary members shall attend all meetings and post functions without fail. Exceptions may be made for family, school obligations or illness.
5. In the event that a probationary explorer doesn't attend a meeting and fails to provide a valid reason, that explorer may be dismissed from the post or have his/her probationary period extended.
6. The Explorer Advisory Board reserves the right to terminate any probationary explorer's membership without cause.
7. All explorers shall have a notarized "hold harmless" general liability form signed by a parent.
8. All members must maintain a grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in order to maintain an "active status" in the post. Original report cards must be turned into the advisor after each grading period and a copy will be retained in the explorer's file. Any member failing to maintain a 2.0 GPA or who is failing any subject shall be suspended until the next grading period. If a member fails to achieve a 2.0 GPA by the end of the next grading period, the member shall be terminated from the post.
9. Suspension at school may result in suspension from the program and may further result in termination from the program.
10. All members shall follow the Pompano Beach Fire Rescue's Explorer Post 586 rules and regulations.

11. Regular meetings will be held on every Wednesday night from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM. Attendance is **Mandatory** (except on holidays). In the event an explorer is unable to attend a meeting he/she must contact the officer or an advisor within 1 hour of the meeting. In the event of an emergency (death in the family or accident) the absence will be excused without notice.

If you would like to apply to be a PBFR Explorer, click [HERE](#) for an application.

Send your application to:

Pompano Beach Fire Rescue  
120 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> St.  
Pompano Beach, FL 33060

Attention: Maxine Reed

For more information, call Maxine Reed at (954) 786-4510 or  
Email: [maxine.reed@copbfl.com](mailto:maxine.reed@copbfl.com)