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## **Wylie Citizens Fire Academy Accepting Applications**

**Wylie, TX, Jan. 27, 2015** – Wylie Fire Rescue invites those interested in learning more about firefighting to apply for the inaugural 2015 Citizens Fire Academy, scheduled to begin March 5.

The 10-week academy meets Thursday nights from 6:30 – 9:30 pm. Participants must be 18 or older and live or work in the city of Wylie. CFA class members will learn about a different aspect of Wylie Fire Rescue each week; topics include emergency medical services, hiring and training firefighters, and special rescue operations. In addition to class time, participants will ride along to emergency calls with WFR on Quint fire trucks.

This is not a certification course, but WFR's Capt. Ray Jackson said it's a "great opportunity to expand your knowledge of how the fire department works."

Applications are available at Wylie Fire Rescue Administration, 2000 N. Hwy. 78, or Fire Station 1, 1401 S. Ballard Ave. For more information, contact Jackson at 972-429-0771 or [ray.jackson@wylietexas.gov](mailto:ray.jackson@wylietexas.gov). Class size is limited, so those interested are urged to apply as soon as possible.

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About Wylie – Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population 44,158) is one of the fastest-growing communities in the State of Texas with a 192% increase since 2000. Wylie Fire Rescue is one of only 13 departments in the state and 56 in the country with the top Public Protection Classification, ISO-1, given by the Insurance Services Office. The PPC rating is used to measure the quality and effectiveness of fire protection in a community.