



## Escondido Fire Department Explorer Post #2223



**Description:** Escondido Fire Department Explorer Post is a career-oriented youth program chartered through Learning for Life. Our Post has been active since 1981.

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Escondido Fire Department Explorer Post is to expose young people to the various aspects of the fire service while developing character, morals, values and a sense of responsibility.

**Organization:** The Post is comprised of up to twenty-five Fire Explorer. The Post is overseen by Explorer Advisors from the Fire Department with overall direction from the Fire Chief.

**Participation Requirements:** The Post meets at least once a month, usually on Saturdays between 0830 and 1700 hours. After approval of the Post Advisor, a minimum of two ride-alongs per month on Fire Engine companies will be scheduled by the Explorer. Extra training/meeting days above the required Saturday may occur from time to time. The Explorer Post must be a PRIORITY for the Fire Explorer.

**Cost Requirements:** Initial cost, including uniform, may be approximately \$200. Scholarships or sponsorships may be available.

**Age Requirements:** Minimum age is 15 years and eighth grade graduate. Maximum age is 21 years.

**Selection Process:** Applicants may have to pass the following to be selected as a member of the Post:

- Physical Agility / Ability Test
- Written Exam
- Oral Interview

Upon completion, the attached application may be returned in person or mailed to:

**Attn: Explorer Program  
Escondido Fire Department  
1163 N Centre City Parkway  
Escondido, CA 92026**

Applications are kept on file until our next recruitment which normally occurs each November. When the recruitment process begins, candidates will be notified of the interview schedule and location.

Firefighter Pat O'Connell, Escondido Fire Department Explorer Advisor  
[poconnell@escondido.org](mailto:poconnell@escondido.org)



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**Personal Information:**

The following information is requested of you for verification and contact purposes.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Street Apt#

\_\_\_\_\_ City State Zip

Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**Education Information:**

The Escondido Fire Explorer Post requires that an applicant be an eighth-grade graduate and minimum age of 15 years; maximum age is 21 years.

Do you meet these age requirements? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Inquires may be made by the background investigator to verify the following information:

High school attended \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_

College attended \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_



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**References:**

In the space below, please list as references the names, addresses and phone numbers of individuals who have knowledge of your character, experience and ability. DO NOT LIST RELATIVES OR EMPLOYERS.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Work) \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Work) \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Work) \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Work) \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Work) \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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### Experience and Employment:

Beginning with your most current employment, please list jobs (including part-time, temporary and voluntary positions) you have held. Also include the names and phone numbers of employers who can be contacted for verification purposes.

Name / Address of Employer \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Title / Duties \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been fired or asked to resign from any place of employment? \_\_\_\_\_  
If "yes," please provide the circumstances.

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**Legal Information:**

If you have been arrested or convicted for any crime (EXCLUDING TRAFFIC CITATIONS) or listed as a runaway or missing person, please provide the following information.

Approximate date \_\_\_\_\_ Police Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Circumstances \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate date \_\_\_\_\_ Police Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Circumstances \_\_\_\_\_

**Motor Vehicle Operation:**

Please list all traffic citations you have received.

Approximate date \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Nature of Violation \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate date \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Nature of Violation \_\_\_\_\_

Has your license ever been suspended, revoked, or placed on negligent operator's probation? \_\_  
If "yes," please provide the details.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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If there is anything you wish to discuss about your driving record, please use the space below.

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**Personal Statement:**

Please explain why you wish to become a member of the Escondido Fire Department Explorer Post (Please print).

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The information you provide in this application will be used in the investigation into your background to assist in determining your suitability for the position of Escondido Fire Explorer. It is to your advantage to respond openly. Any negative factor in your background will be evaluated in terms of the circumstances and facts surrounding its occurrence, and its degree of relevance to the position. For example, being fired from a job or having an arrest record is not in itself grounds for disqualification. During the investigation, the investigator will inquire into the facts surrounding such an occurrence. An evaluation will then be made of the relevance of these facts to the position of an Escondido Fire Explorer.

I hereby certify that all statements made in this application are true and complete, and I understand that any misstatements of material facts will subject me to disqualification or dismissal.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

If you are under the age of 18, this application must be signed by a parent or legal guardian.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## Escondido Fire Department Explorer Post #2223



### Uniform Requirements

#### Required:

- Navy blue “Lyon” uniform shirt
- Escondido Fire Department patch with Explorer rocker below patch, both are available at Uniforms Plus in Escondido. They will sew both on for you. It will be placed on the left sleeve, one inch below the seam.
- Navy blue “Lyon” pants
- Boots: Any black leather boot with a 6” heel, steel-toe and insole. Polished black leather is preferable. Zipper is recommended for quick access in and out of your station boots.
- Flat black leather belt (Not “basket weave”)
- Dark blue Escondido Fire Explorer T-shirt. Available for \$10.00 from Explorer locker. See Advisor and bring exact monies or check made out to “Escondido Fire Department Explorers”.

#### Optional:

- 5.11 Tactical Series Jacket. Model 48099, 724 Dark Navy, Chameleon Soft Shell.
- Escondido Fire Department patch with Explorer rocker below patch, both are available at Uniforms Plus in Escondido. They will sew both on for you. It will be placed on the left sleeve, one inch below the seam.