

These individuals standing before you today joined this class with one goal in mind – to become Washington State firefighters. As a team, they have achieved that goal. Having succeeded, they are found worthy to carry on the proud tradition of the Washington State Fire Service – giving service back to communities in Washington State.

These new firefighters have completed twelve weeks of rigid and demanding classroom, practical, and physical training at the Washington State Fire Training Academy. Their newly learned skills and abilities will assist them in fulfilling the mission of the fire service – saving lives and property. They leave here prepared to serve their communities with confidence as highly trained firefighters.

The Fire Training Academy is very proud of these individuals who have worked so hard and dedicated themselves to become Washington State firefighters. Their success could not have been achieved without the support, encouragement, and sacrifice of their families and loved ones.

Chief John R. Batiste

Washington State Patrol



Washington State Fire Training Academy



GRADUATION CLASS 2024-01

Friday, April 19, 2024

Snoqualmie, WA



Master of Ceremonies: Fire Training Academy
Assistant Commander,
Katie Rasmussen

National Anthem: Fire Training Academy
Assistant Commander,
Katie Rasmussen

Introductions: Fire Training Academy
Deputy State Fire Marshal,
Brian Smith

Benediction: Chaplain Pat Ellis

Award Presentations: Most Improved
Most Inspirational
Ultimate Bulldog
First Due Engine Company
First Due Truck Company

Presentation of Diplomas: Deputy State Fire Marshal,
Brian Smith

Guest Speaker: Fire Training Academy
Lead Instructor and Firefighter,
Kevin Taylor

Recruit Presentations: Morgan Branum – Class Video
Chavo Camargo – Class Speech
Plaque Presentation

Dismissal: Fire Training Academy
Deputy State Fire Marshal,
Brian Smith

Washington State Fire Training Academy
Company Officer:

Clallam County Fire District #2

Matt Aston

Washington State Fire Training Academy

Recruits:

Aberdeen Fire Department

Adam Suggs *

Clallam County Fire District #3

Marquita Espinoza *

Ryan Hueter *

William “Hayden” Pyle

Kennewick Fire Department

Barron Hemphill *

Chris Parrish *

Mitchell Garcia *

Tyler McDonald

Port Angeles Fire Department

Morgan Branum *

South Pierce Fire & Rescue

Daniel Kaner

Kurtis Hoberg

Shawn Halpin *

South Thurston Fire & EMS

Nijah Ahmed

Sierra Seward *

South Whidbey Fire & EMS

Chavo Camargo

Tumwater Fire Department

Zachariah Robertson

** Annotates Class Leader*

