# Fire Prevention Plan For Hahnville Volunteer Fire Department

## Goals & Objectives:

The goal of Hahnville Volunteer Fire Department is to continually promote the message of fire prevention to the residents of our fire protection district and our parish.

#### **Activities:**

The Fire Department shall utilize every opportunity to address a body of individuals, no mater on the age, to promote fire safety. The use of fire dog costumes, computerized slide presentations, fire safety house, contest, games, handouts, etc will be utilized to promote the message of fire prevention.

Any request of the fire department to participate in an outside activity will be met, providing manpower is available and an opportunity to promote fire prevention is available.

The task of fire prevention falls under the direction of the Fire Chief and will be supplemented with volunteers depending on the availability of the volunteers.

Presentations on Fire Safety at local schools, nurseries and senior citizen center will be requested of the establishments and will be conducted throughout the year. Special presentations at establishments will be requested during fire prevention week.

Pictures of the visits will be sent to the local newspapers, along with related articles concerning fire safety, and requested to be published as a community service article.

## Hahnville Volunteer Fire Department Policy & Procedures for Delivering Programs For Public Fire Safety Education

#### 1. Residential

Upon request by residences fire department members will visit a dwelling and promote the use of smoke detectors and residential fire alarm systems. Portable fire extinguisher placement and proper use will be discussed and demonstrated. Fire department members shall offer assistance with and promote the use of a family meeting place in the event the home needs to be evacuated.

#### 2. Schools

Each year during fire prevention week, or when requested, fire department members shall visit schools and discuss fire safety issues with the students, teachers and staff of the educational occupancies in the area. The importance of regular fire drills shall be discussed, along with other fire safety issues.

#### 3. Commercial

Upon request by the businesses in the area, fire department members shall make an appointment and visit properties to promote the use of smoke detectors, commercial fire alarm and automatic fire sprinkler systems. Portable fire extinguisher placement and proper use will be discussed and demonstrated if necessary. Fire department members shall offer assistance with and promote regular fire drills, along with discussing other fire safety issues.

#### 4. Hospital & Nursing Homes

If a Hospital & Nursing Home is ever built in our area each year during fire prevention month (October), or when requested, fire department members shall make an appointment and visit any Hospital & Nursing Homes in the area to promote the proper use of portable fire extinguishers along with other fire safety issues to the staff. Fire department members shall also offer assistance with and promote regular fire drills for the occupants.

# Hahnville Volunteer Fire Department Public Fire Safety Education Delivery Outline

#### 1. Residential

- a. Fire department members shall make an appointment with a residence only after a fire safety visit is requested.
- b. Fire department members shall arrive at the residence in official fire department vehicles dressed in uniform.
- c. Fire department members shall enter the dwelling only if invited to do so and always in a group of two (2) or more.
- d. Fire department members shall promote the use of smoke detectors and residential fire alarm systems.
- e. Fire department members shall discuss portable fire extinguisher placement and the proper use with the occupants.
- f. Fire department members shall promote the use of a designated family meeting place in the event the home needs to be evacuated.
- g. Fire department members shall thank the occupants for being fire safety conscious and offer to return any time needed.

#### 2. Schools

- a. Fire department members shall schedule a visit to the schools in the area each year during fire prevention week.
- b. Fire department members shall arrive at the facility in official fire department vehicles, dressed in uniform.
- c. Fire department members shall meet school officials at the school office prior to entering the facility.
- d. Fire department members shall discuss general fire safety issues with the students, teachers and staff.
- e. Fire department members shall stress the importance of regular fire drills.
- f. Fire department members shall offer to witness a fire drill and make improvement recommendations following the drill.
- g. Fire department members shall thank the students, teachers, principal and staff for being fire safety conscious.

#### 3. Commercial

- a. Fire department members shall schedule a visit to a commercial business only after a fire safety visit is requested.
- b. Fire department members shall arrive at the facility in official fire department vehicles dressed in uniform
- c. Fire department members shall discuss general fire safety issues with the employees and owners of the business.
- d. Fire department members shall promote the use of smoke detectors, commercial fire alarm and automatic fire sprinkler systems.
- e. Fire department members shall discuss the proper placement and use portable fire extinguishers.
- f. Fire department members shall stress the importance of regular fire drills.
- g. Fire department members shall offer to witness a fire drill and make improvement recommendations following the drill if conducted.
- h. Fire department members shall thank the business owner/manager for being fire safety conscious.

## 4. Hospital & Nursing Homes

- a. If a Hospital & Nursing Home is ever built in our area Fire department members shall schedule a visit to the Hospital & Nursing Home each year during fire prevention month (October).
- b. Fire department members shall arrive at the facility in official fire department vehicles dressed in uniform.
- c. Fire department members shall meet at the business office prior to entering the facility.
- d. Fire department members shall promote the proper use of portable fire extinguishers along with other fire safety issues to the staff.
- e. Fire department members shall also offer assistance with and promote regular fire drills.
- f. Fire department members shall offer to witness a fire drill and make improvement recommendations following the drill if conducted.
- g. Fire department members shall thank the Hospital and Nursing Home manager and staff for being fire safety conscious.