

Why I'm Happy.....

Wow! What a day – The day I was born:

Now you may ask why? The simple truth is that was the start of my countdown to becoming a Firefighter.

Why? I want to be in a profession of helping and serving the diverse population in my served community.

Current status and my long range goals:

1. I am in training to prepare myself in both a physical and mental sense to enroll and excel in grade school.
 - Since I can't talk it is hard to convey the feeling when someone looks at me and says yes, anyone can become a firefighter whether a she or a he.
2. Have my parent's purchase my first computer when I turn seven or so will be a blast.
 - This will give me a jump start on learning the "S.T.E.M." skills and conduct research in support of my long range goals.
 - Going to high school of course is a must. However, I need to prepare myself along the way by taking high school prep classes and while in high school taking college prep classes while at the same time excelling in those classes along with everything else.
 - Some of the keys along this part of my path are:
 - Start a saving account for EMT and Paramedic training.
 - Think before I ink my body.
 - Think before I put drugs in my body.
 - Think.....about everything I do – a clean background is a must.



Starting in the seventh grade or so get a part time job.

- *Yes, I need to learn the skills of the working world very early.*
- *This will also allow me to start saving my own money.*

3. As soon as possible I want to:

- *Enroll in first aid, CPR, college (taking fire and other courses).*
- *Enroll in EMT training and obtain my national-cert.*
- *Enroll in Paramedic training – this will be a key to many doors.*

4. Take the CPAT or other Physical Agility Test and maintain it.

5. As soon as possible start taking fire department test nationwide.

6. As soon as possible apply as an EMT – nothing like having experience.

7. As soon as possible apply as a Paramedic – nothing like having experience.

8. Become a member of the fire service where ever that may take me.

○ *Then I can:*

- *Enjoy the excitement of the job.*
- *Because when the alarm sounds you never know what you will be called upon to do.*
- *You could be going on a structure fire, a traffic accident, a hazardous materials call, service call or anything; however it won't matter as I will have prepared myself along the way.*
- *There will always be something new to learn as a firefighter therefore I must continue my studies in preparing myself for each promotional step in my career.*

The benefits of being in the fire service will allow me to take care of my family, serve my community and just like many others before to me, I will be able to support and mentor the next generation of firefighters.

And yes, you can never start too young in preparation for a career in the Fire or EMS field.

See you at the next alarm.

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