# **Big Spring Fire Department**

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October 31, 2023

Kilgore College 1100 Broadway Kilgore, Texas 75662

Dear Sir or Madam,

The City of Big Spring Fire Department is currently accepting applications for the position of Certified Firefighter/EMT. I have enclosed a Testing Announcement for entry level testing on December 8, 2023. The application deadline is December 4, 2023. If permitted, please post this announcement on your agency's employment board.

I appreciate your assistance in this matter. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

Stacie King

Stacie King Benefits Coordinator City of Big Spring (432) 264-2347

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## NOTICE OF EXAMINATION

Job Class Title:

Certified and Non-Certified Firefighter/EMT

Starting Salary:

\$40,757.60 - \$55,432.83 DOQ\*

\*Additional pay is provided for those employees that hold certificates from the Texas Commission on Fire

Protection (TCFP) and/or the Department of State Health Services (DSHS)

**Testing Date:** 

Friday, December 8, 2023, at 9:00 A.M.

Written Test Location:

Howard College, Lecture A8, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, Texas 79720

Physical Agility Test Site:

BSFD Station 1, 1401 Apron Drive, Big Spring, Texas 79720

**Application Deadline:** 

December 4, 2023, at 11:59 P.M.

The City of Big Spring Fire Department is accepting applications to establish an eligibility list for Certified Firefighter/EMTs and Non-Certified Cadets. Persons who meet the qualifications listed below may apply for the position. Applicants who do not meet the minimum qualifications will not be allowed to take the test. Apply online at <a href="https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/mybigspring">https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/mybigspring</a>. Applications will be accepted beginning Tuesday, October 31, 2023. The deadline to apply is at 11:59 p.m. on December 4, 2023.

### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Be a United States citizen or meet an employment authorization requirement as mandated by the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.
- Must have reached at least eighteen (18) years of age as of the date of the written test and not have reached thirty-six (36) years of age as of the date of appointment.
- High School diploma or GED equivalency certificate.
- Must possess a valid state issued driver's license and, on date of hire or within three (3) months of date of hire, must have obtained a Commercial Texas Driver's License, either a Class A or Class B, for the type of vehicle or equipment operated.
- All non-certified applicants must pass the written Civil Service examination with a minimum score of 70%. Certified
  applicants are exempt from the written Civil Service examination.
- All applicants must satisfactorily complete the physical agility course set out by the department in one (1) attempt.
- Must pass a comprehensive background investigation and not have any of the disqualifiers established by the
  department.
- If applicable, you must submit a Form DD-214-4 (long form) to verify an honorable or general discharge under honorable conditions from the military.
- Possession of or ability to obtain basic structural firefighter certification from the Texas Commission on Fire Protection (TCFP).
- Possession of or ability to obtain Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) basic or higher certification from the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS).

Those applicants who pass entry level testing will be placed on the Civil Service Eligibility List. The eligibility list shall be in effect for one (1) year from the date of the examination, until December 8, 2024, unless exhausted earlier. Applicants must complete all phases of the application process, without being disqualified, to be considered for employment with the Big Spring Fire Department. The official eligibility list will be posted online and at City Hall by 5:00 p.m. the following business day.

#### **COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS**

Firefighter Cadet – Salary of \$1,698.23 per pay period (26 pay periods per year). Once certification has been obtained the salary would increase to Firefighter salary of \$2,051.14 per pay period (26 pay periods per year). Uniforms are provided by the City. Other benefits include paid vacation, sick leave, and holiday; group medical, dental, vision, and life insurance; retirement benefits; educational incentive pay; deferred compensation program; college tuition reimbursement program; and opportunity for promotion through training and examination.

### **ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THE DISABLED**

The City of Big Spring complies with the American with Disabilities Act. If you need special arrangements because of a disabling condition, please contact John Medina, Civil Service Director, at (432) 264-2345. All requests for special accommodation must be made in writing by the application deadline to be considered. The City of Big Spring is an equal opportunity employer.

#### **CERTIFICATE OF POSTING**

This is to certify that on the 31st day of October 2023, at 9:45 a.m., the above revised announcement was posted on the bulletin boards at City Hall.

City of Big Spring, Texas

