The annual **required** refresher for the Interagency Fire Crew is being offered in eight sessions. You only need to attend one of the eight sessions. Six of the sessions will be held at the Ohio Fire Academy and begin at 9:00 a.m. **The first class this year will be held in the B-bldg. and all the rest of the class session will be held in the Main Building.** Physical fitness testing will also be done in the afternoon at these sessions. The sessions will provide an overview of basic principles for wildland firefighting. Through group exercises, students will be asked to apply these principles to real-life fire scenarios which occurred in the 2012 fire season. We will also discuss crew callout procedures and the upcoming Western fire season.

As part of the refresher session, the annual work capacity testing (pack test) will also occur. This test consists of walking 3 miles with 45 pounds in 45 minutes. We will have some packs available for use but feel free to bring your own pack weighing 45 pounds to use on the day of the test. If you question your physical fitness level we encourage you to **test early and do not wait until the last date. Classes will be cancelled for low enrollment.**

If you are unable to attend any of the Fire Academy sessions you may be able to attend the refresher and work capacity testing on March 23, 2013 at the Zane State College. Contact Dave Hildebrand at via email at dhildebrand@roadrunner.com or 740-454-0070 to register.

OR

The Hocking College session will be in May. Contact Mark Puhl email puhl_m@hocking.edu

There are only 30 available seats in each refresher session. It is vital that if you plan on attending one of the refresher and work capacity testing sessions at the Ohio Fire Academy you contact me via email at mrbailey@com.state.oh.us or fill out the registration slip (below) and mail in. Please register a minimum of one week before your requested date. Individuals that do not register in advance maybe denied participation. **In past years we have had several no shows for the refreshers and as a result keep someone else from taking the class. If you need to cancel try to give us a THREE DAY NOTICE or you may not be allowed to reschedule.**

Send an E-Mail with the date of your choice or you can Mail or Fax this copy.

Name:_____Email:_____
Address:_____
Phone Number:_____ Cell:_____

Place an X in the box next to the session you would like to attend. If this session is full you will be contacted to pick another date.

February 20 ☐ February 27 ☐ March 6 ☐ April 24 ☐ May 8 ☐

May 15 ☐ Zane State March 23 ☐ Hocking College TBA

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