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TO: All Fire and Rescue Personnel
FROM: Scott Kensinger, Deputy Chief
RE: Probationary EMT/Firefighter Announcement
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The Department is pleased to announce that NEW application period is now open for Probationary EMT/Firefighter close of business on August 24, 2015. A practice Physical Ability Test session will be held on September 1, 2015 and the written test / physical ability test will be held on October 2, 2015. Please post this in the stations and encourage all potential candidates to read the advertisement carefully. More information concerning the details of the process can be found at: <http://www.winchesterva.gov/fire-and-rescue/employment-opportunities>



Probationary EMT/FIREFIGHTER

The City of Winchester is accepting applications for Probationary EMT/Firefighter and will be administering a process to establish an eligibility list.

To Qualify, applicants must have:

- Valid driver's license
- High school diploma or equivalent
- Valid EMT Certification
- Firefighter I (NFPA 1001)
- Hazmat Awareness (NFPA 472)

Applicants meeting the qualifications above will receive notification with further instructions about the testing process. Starting Salary: **\$36,524.80/yr**, plus benefits package. Employees new to the Virginia Retirement System (VRS) must contribute 5% of their annual salary.

Additional ALS Incentive: Offered for existing VA EMT/NREMT – Intermediate (\$6,000) or VA EMT/NREMT - Paramedic (\$7,000). In addition, must have current certification in ACLS, ITLS and PALS to receive this incentive. Upon hire, 50% will be added to the annual salary once Virginia reciprocity has been obtained (if applicable), and the remaining 50% will be added after being cleared operationally.

Apply online at: www.winchesterva.gov. Electronic copies of certifications must be uploaded and attached when making online application or no further consideration will be made. A Physical Ability Test practice day will be held on September 1, 2015. The Written/Physical Ability Test will be held on October 2, 2015. We are an Equal Opportunity-Affirmative Action employer.

On-line applications accepted until 5:00 pm August 24, 2015