

Charlotte Fire Department is excited to announce that the application period for **Camp Ignite** & **Camp Hornets Nest** is NOW OPEN!! Registration is open to all high schoolers in Charlotte and the surrounding areas! The application period will be closing March 31<sup>st</sup> at 11:59pm.

**Camp Dates:**

- **Camp Ignite - June 16-20, 2026 (for GIRLS)**
  - **APPLY HERE** - <https://www.cognitofrms.com/CampIgnite1/CampIgniteApplication2026>
- **Camp Hornets Nest - June 21-25, 2026 (for BOYS)**
  - **APPLY HERE**  
- <https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/0d267e25ae114031a26bd45e30a168b1>

During their 4-night, 5-day stay, campers learn skills associated with search and rescue techniques, hose-line advancement, rappelling, ladders, and much more.

Camp Ignite educates and inspires high school **girls** to follow their dreams by introducing them to a future of limitless opportunities. The curriculum provides a safe, dynamic, and interactive environment to introduce campers to the fundamentals of firefighting and ignites courage, confidence, and character. Campers train alongside female firefighters as we break down barriers and stereotypes in a male-dominated career.

Camp Hornets Nest welcomes **boys** in grades 9-12. Through this program, we provide high school boys with the opportunity to learn more about careers in firefighting. The program teaches teamwork, responsibility, and leadership. Activities in the program will demonstrate that participants must work as a team to succeed.

By the end of their stay, Camp Ignite and Camp Hornets Nest participants gain an understanding of the Charlotte Fire's commitment to and pride in serving the City of Charlotte.

Both Camp Ignite and Camp Hornet's Nest are FREE, eliminating any financial obstacles to participate, and that's why we are asking for your support. Operating these camps takes a significant investment from our department. Contributions of any amount are welcomed and sincerely appreciated.

For updates and application links, follow **Camp Ignite** on Social Media:

- [www.facebook.com/CampIgniteCLT](http://www.facebook.com/CampIgniteCLT)
- Instagram & Twitter: @CampIgniteCLT
- Camp.Ignite@charlottenc.gov

For updates and application links, follow **Camp Hornets Nest** on Social Media:

- [www.facebook.com/CampHornetsNest](http://www.facebook.com/CampHornetsNest)
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