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Good Day Spring 2026 Fire Technology 1 Students,

We are about two days away from the start of the spring semester Fire Technology 1 class on Thursday January 22, 2026, at 7 pm.

Hopefully you have taken the time to digest and learn from the previous seven emails I sent out, as well as take the time to review this email I sent out.

- From this point on, future items like the below will be posted in the Announcements tab on Canvas.

**NOTE:**

If you just registered OR have registered but have NOT received those previous emails (December 18, December 26, December 30, January 2, January 7, January 10 and January 16), please go to our website [www.chabotfire.com](http://www.chabotfire.com) and to the page "Fire Technology 1 – Spring 2026 Information" as they are archived there.

- You should have received each twice. Why twice? Once to your personal email AND once to your Chabot College (Zonemail) email account.
- If you haven't checked your Zonemail account lately (or at all), please do so as you may be missing important information.
- If you haven't received them in your personal email, check your junk/spam – something you should be doing regularly as you may be missing key emails that could be buried within the garbage found there.

**THE FOCUS OF THIS EMAIL IS THE FOLLOWING FIVE (5) ITEMS:**

**1. Canvas log-in:**

The Fire Technology 1 Canvas class has been PUBLISHED. While I realize class begins Thursday night at 7 pm, and that you are not obligated to review or do anything until that date and time, doing the following will only help set you up for success as time will fly once we get started:

- Take the time to log into Canvas.
- Ensure you have a picture of yourself that is CLEAR to see. No need to look cool as you shouldn't be trying to impress anyone. This helps me get to know you as well as your fellow classmates.
- Once in, start to familiarize yourself with what is available to you.
- Go to the Announcements tab and view the Announcements that have been published.
- Go to the Home tab (which should also be the same info as the Modules tab), and start familiarizing yourself with the info and resources we've put under the first module, "Course Information."
- Go to the Syllabus tab, and download/save the syllabus that you will use as a link, "FT1-071 Syllabus-2026-Spring-V1.pdf," if you have not already done so as I previously shared it with you and posted in on the [ChabotFire.com](http://ChabotFire.com) website in the Fire Technology 1 Info - Spring 2026 page. We should have PRINTED copies on the first night, so no need to print out unless you want to. NOTE: I will be removing that one shortly AND the most latest version will be in Canvas on the Syllabus page if updates are made

**Also while on the Syllabus tab:**

Review the information we have placed for you throughout this page, including but not limited to:

- The Student Contract that I also previously sent out that is also on [ChabotFire.com](http://ChabotFire.com) in the Fire Technology 1 Info - Spring 2026 page if you haven't done so already.
- The Due Date Calendar that is posted and available for download as a pdf.

ALL of the above items we will be discussing in depth on Thursday and the next Thursday. However, the more you can be prepared by reviewing the Canvas items in advance, the better prepared you will be to ask and answer questions, and also set yourself up on the right foot to have a successful semester.

**2. Chabot College Fire Technology 1 Welcome Letter:**

Welcome to the Chabot College Fire Technology 1 class! As the gateway class to get you pointed in the right direction, I want to welcome you and give you an overview of what to expect this semester and beyond.

You are about to embark on one of the most challenging and rewarding journeys of your life. As your instructor and facilitator, it is my duty and privilege to welcome you and guide you as you take your first steps toward a career in the fire service – a career built on courage, discipline and unwavering commitment to serve.

This class and this entire program is designed to push you beyond your limits: physically, mentally, and emotionally. It is NOT for the faint of heart, nor for those unwilling to give their all. Every lecture, every drill in classes that require hands-on skills completion, every moment will prepare you for the realities of a profession where lives depend on your skills, judgment, and resilience.

**I will be clear: we demand excellence, NOT perfection.**

You will make mistakes, and when you do, we will use them as opportunities to learn and grow. However, complacency, laziness, or lack of respect for this profession or your fellow students will not be tolerated. You are training to be a part of a brotherhood and sisterhood that requires nothing less than your full dedication and respect.

That said, you are not alone in this journey. You will find comradery in your peers and guidance from our experienced instructors; all of whom have walked the path you now face. Together, we will forge you into the kind of firefighter the public can trust with their lives and safety.

This class and future classes (especially EMT, the Firefighter 1 Academy, paramedic school, should you choose to also go down that road, and ultimately a fire department recruit academy) will challenge you, but it will also reward you in ways you cannot yet imagine. The knowledge and skills you will gain, the values you uphold, and the relationships you build here will stay with you for a lifetime.

As you prepare to begin, I encourage you to reflect on why you chose this path. Let that purpose drive you forward, especially on the tough days. Be prepared to work hard, to learn, and to grow. Most importantly, come ready to prove to yourself and others that you have what it takes to earn the rank of firefighter.

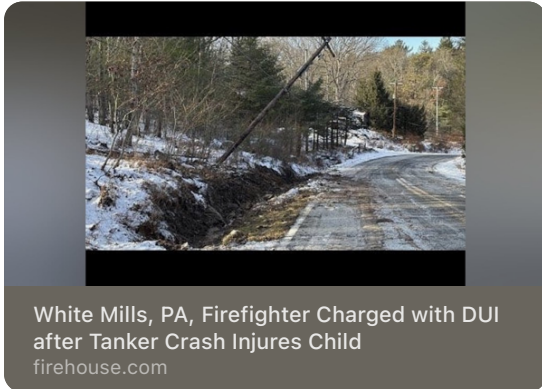
The fire service needs individuals who are not just willing to serve but determined to excel. I trust you will rise to meet this challenge with honor, integrity, and grit. Welcome to Fire Technology 1. Let's get to work!

**.....And now onto some news items from around the country to learn some lessons from so you hopefully don't find yourself in the same situation....**

### **3. White Mills, PA, Firefighter Charged with DUI after Tanker Crash Injures Child:**

The White Mills tanker was responding to a fire when it slid off the road and hit a pole.

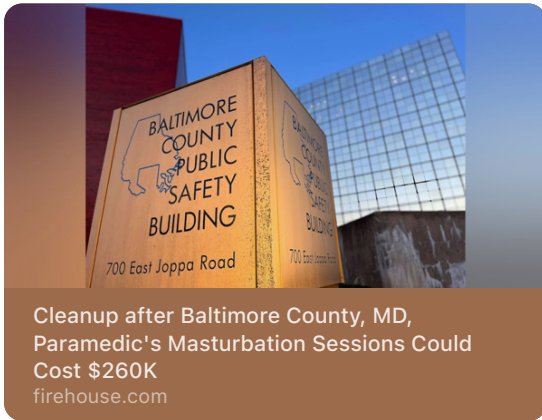
Click below for more details:



### **4. Cleanup after Baltimore County, MD, Paramedic's Masturbation Sessions Could Cost \$260K:**

Baltimore County quickly cleaned stations and equipment when videos surfaced of the paramedic masturbating and urinating.

Click below for more details:



### **5. Some career opportunities to review and consider applying for from the free website [FirefighterCloseCalls.com](https://www.firefighterclosecalls.com):**

One of the topics that we will be discussing EVERY week is how to get hired, as well as the various components of the hiring process. In email #3 I sent out on December 30, 2025, I focused on how to locate job opportunities to apply for. I also shared one of a few FREE places you should be signed up for to locate and receive opportunities you can apply for. Below are some of those opportunities. Even if you do NOT yet have your EMT or Paramedic (not saying these require either - but do take the time to review to see if you may qualify as SOME departments allow you to apply, even if you do NOT yet have your EMT or paramedic.

The following were from one of those FREE websites where you can create an application, determine your search parameters, and then receive emails with jobs like these. Now before you say these aren't in California, please keep an open mind. Many

students have gone out of state to find successful careers in areas that are growing more rapidly than California is, and where the cost of living is much better. These were from the website: [www.careersingovernment.com](http://www.careersingovernment.com)

Click the links below for more info:

[Firefighter](#)

Henderson, Nevada  
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[Firefighter](#)

Chandler, Arizona  
posted 2026-01-06 04:20:55

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Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions. Thank you.

Take care,  
Steve

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