



Overarching Goal: To promote diversity, equity, and inclusion within the profession of firefighting.

Mission Statement: The mission of Camp Cinder is to provide young women a safe, dynamic, interactive and challenging environment to gain strength, knowledge, and confidence in their ability to excel in the profession of firefighting and beyond. Upon completing the Camp, young women will leave with a sense of empowerment and the confidence that they can succeed in any career they choose.

Background on Camp Cinder: Camp Cinder is a four-day three-night camp for young women ages 15 to 17. The camp is led by CAL FIRE female firefighters and free to all participants. Campers will experience what it means to have a career in the fire service through hands on wildland and structural firefighting, rescue and helicopter operations, team building, and much more. Campers stay in a college dorm and may have the opportunity to earn college credit during the camp. Upon completion, campers qualify to apply for a scholarship to fund fire education of their choosing.

Camp Cinder 2025 Plan: We are currently in the planning process for the 2025 Camp Cinder. The dates for the 2025 camps are June 23rd-26th. Apply at fire.ca.gov/camp-cinder, visit our Facebook page, or contact Assistant Chief Katie Mason (530) 356-3178 (Shasta) or Fire Captain Eva Grady (831) 325-6253 (San Luis Obispo).

Commonly Asked Questions:

Q: How do I get more information?

A: *Check out our website, follow us on Instagram and Facebook or call the contact number for the camp you are interested in.*

Q: Who should apply?

A: *Everyone! If you want to learn more about firefighting, enjoy a team dynamic, and/or are interested in trying new activities- please apply. There is no requirement for previous fire-fighting experience nor minimal physical fitness standards.*

Q: How do I apply?

A: *Online at fire.ca.gov/camp-cinder (printable application if you want to mail it in).*

Q: Do I need to bring firefighting gear/what should I wear?

A: *All gear is provided by the camp. T-shirts, shorts, and hats will be provided to campers at no charge.*