



Linn County Fire Chiefs,

The Sweet Home Fire District is pleased to announce we will be hosting an EMT course in partnership with Blue Mountain Community College in the fall of 2024. The class will be held at Sweet Home Fire. Lectures will be held on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 1800-2100. Lab days will be held on Saturdays from 0800-1600. The class will start on September 27th and last for 10 weeks. There is a state mandate of 140 hours of class time for the EMT course.

We partnered with Blue Mountain Community College to host this course as local community colleges were unable to assist in hosting the class. Several other community colleges stepped up and were willing to assist us. Blue Mountain Community College is going to allow us to offer a non-credit course and a credit course for individuals who want to go on to the paramedic program. Blue Mountain Community College is partnered with Chemeketa Community College and their courses transfer seamlessly to Chemeketa for the paramedic program.

The non-credit course tuition will cost \$623. There is a \$110 dollar cost for a background check and drug screening. The book and access to the online MyBrady website will cost \$100. Students will also have to buy a \$25 Blue Mountain EMT student shirt for the clinical and ambulance ride-along required for the program. If students wish to take the credit option, it will be \$1887.00 plus the \$110 for background, \$100 for book, and \$25 for the shirt.

The class will be taught by Josh Marvin, a FF/Paramedic with Sweet Home Fire. Sweet Home Fire has a few employees who are willing to assist as lab instructors, but we may need more people to assist in this area depending on how many students we have in the class. If you have any employees who may be willing to be lab instructors, please have them contact Josh. They would become adjunct instructors with Blue Mountain and would be paid by the school.

Blue Mountain advised us the class can host up to 24 students. We would like to offer the class to any members of your agency who would like to join the class. Blue Mountain has offered us a substantial reduction in price for the class and hopes this can be an affordable option for interested individuals. In comparison, a credit class for EMT is between 3000-4000 dollars at other colleges.

If you or interested students have any questions, you can reach Josh at jmarvin@sweethomefire.org or by cell phone at 541-213-5724.