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**Applications Being Accepted for Citizens Fire Academy**  
***Ten-Week Course Begins April 2***

**SEGUN, Texas** – Why is a fire engine sent with an ambulance on a medical call? What is a sphygmomanometer? How much does all that firefighter gear weigh? These are some of the questions participants will have answered at the upcoming Citizens Fire Academy.

“This will be the third academy we’ve offered and participants in the previous courses gave rave reviews,” Fire Chief Dale Skinner said. “It’s an extremely informative experience that offers a lot of hands-on fun.”

The next 10-week academy begins on April 2. Topics are diverse and include the use of fire extinguishers, fire science, self-contained breathing apparatus, fire hose evolutions, fire investigations and much more. Many of the classes are hands-on, allowing participants to apply what they’re learning. There is an optional Saturday activity that includes CPR training. Persons attending the academy will also be given the opportunity to participate in ride out program to experience things first hand.

The academy is free and all equipment is provided for use. Participants must be 18 or older and a Seguin resident. Applications are available and being accepted at Fire Administration inside the Municipal Court building at 660 S. Hwy 46. Applications may also be obtained on the fire department page of the City of Seguin website, [www.seguintexas.gov](http://www.seguintexas.gov). Space is limited and all applicants will undergo a background check and must sign a waiver. Once the course is fill, applicants will be placed on a waiting list for the next academy beginning in late September or early October.

For more information, please call (830) 401-2310.

**About the City of Seguin**

Seguin, Texas is located along Interstate 10, about 35 miles east of San Antonio. Seguin is big enough to boast a top-rated university and a state-of-the-art hospital. More than 25,000 residents enjoy a range of cultural, recreational and employment opportunities. Seguin’s robust diversified economy features a steelmaker, a manufacturer of automotive parts, an engine manufacture and plants making roadside mowing equipment and building materials. In 2014, Seguin was proud to be selected by Siro Group USA as the future home of the company’s North American manufacturing facility.

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