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Dear Chief,

To further enhance the success potential of our (and your) Recruit Firefighters enrolled in Firefighter 1, we have instituted the following student-centered approaches. These are designed to not only get the Recruit "into the books" but also "engaged in your Department."

As you know the failure rate on the Firefighter 1 exam is quite high and we are doing all we can, so between these assignments as well as weekly multiple choice quizzes, we aim to support the success of the Recruits as much as we can. To that end, we have created homework questionnaire assignments which are given out on the weekend and due the following weekend.

The assignments are broken into two parts. The first is based on the assigned reading where the students have to research answers, give the page number and complete the answers properly.

The second, called "Local Information" is based on your Department stations, apparatus, equipment, and procedures. It is designed to get the recruit involved in their department from Day 1. This second portion also requires the signature of an Officer from your Department. We warn the Recruits that fake signatures are grounds for dismissal so we ask that you or your designee keep track of this and support this excellent student-centered program and your Recruits.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call us.

Thanks you for your cooperation and keep the troops safe out there,

Anthony Avillo
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