

## How do I reserve the Fire Safety House for my school or community event?

You can contact your local fire department, or call the Burn Prevention Network to reserve the Fire Safety House. The Burn Prevention Network will make all arrangements for transportation of the Fire Safety House and for the trained instructors and volunteers who will staff the House.

The Burn Prevention Network provides training for all instructors and volunteers, and provides a reinforcement activity booklet for each child to take home.

Please call for more information.



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## Fire Safety House Program

The Fire Safety House Program is a service of the Burn Prevention Network, delivered to the community in partnerships with community organizations, institutions and businesses.



## What is the Fire Safety House?

The Fire Safety House is a 28 foot, 2-story mobile classroom, designed to resemble an actual home. It travels to schools and community events, providing a hands-on educational experience.

Included in the Fire Safety House design is a living room, kitchen and control room on the first level, and a bedroom on the second level. The control room allows the operator to dispense non-toxic theater smoke to simulate a smoke-filled home.

An external telephone is connected to the control room, allowing students to practice making an emergency call. The control room operator answers the phone and asks the student for the type of information that would be requested by an actual 911 dispatcher.

The Fire Safety House is also equipped with a temperature-controlled heated door and working smoke detectors. All rooms are equipped with props for visual learning experiences.

## What do students learn from the Fire Safety House Program?

- Trained instructors teach fire and burn safety tips in each room of the Fire Safety House.
- Students learn about the importance of smoke alarms; how and when to test them; and to recognize the warning sound.
- Students learn how to safely react to the sound of a smoke detector. They learn to crawl low under smoke, and are taught how to plan and practice an escape plan.
- Once outside of the Fire Safety House, students learn how to correctly make an emergency call to 911.
- Students learn to recognize and not to be afraid of outfitted firefighters.

## Who can benefit from the Fire Safety House Program?

The target audience is children ages 5 through 12 and caregivers of young children, although anyone could benefit from the lifesaving instruction.

## How do students learn fire and burn prevention from the Fire Safety House Program?

Students stop in each room of the Fire Safety House to receive hands-on lessons from trained instructors.

- In the kitchen, students receive warnings about hot objects like stoves, toasters and microwaves, and hot liquids cooking on the stove.
- In the living room, safety around fireplaces, candles, and matches and lighters is discussed.
- In the bedroom, students learn to keep bedding away from heaters; to keep away from hot objects like curling irons; and safety around electrical cords.

At this point, the smoke detectors are activated and the non-toxic smoke is released. Students learn to feel the door to see if it's hot, and then to escape properly, crawling low under smoke. Once outside at a designated meeting place, the students then practice an emergency call to 911.

All children receive an activity booklet that reinforces the lessons.