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About Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority



- ☑ Since 1892 the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority has existed to maintain and enhance the quality of life within its boundaries by **protecting life**, property, and the environment.
- ☑ Puget Sound Fire is an internationally accredited full-service, all risk fire and rescue department that provides services to the citizens of **Covington, Kent, SeaTac**, and portions of **unincorporated King County**.
- ☑ The department covers approximately **60 square miles** and **protects a population of over 177,000**.
- ☑ The RFA provides emergency response services including **basic life support**, fire suppression, hazardous materials, and technical rescue from 11 fire stations. All stations are staffed **24 hours a day, 365 days a year**.
- ☑ Currently the department employs 259, with 218 of those being uniformed personnel. The 41 civilians are in various roles including administrative staff, mechanics, public educators, etc.





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Objectives:
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Programs AND Classes

- ☑ Survivor THINK – middle school safety assembly
- ☑ Fire Stoppers.
- ☑ Kitchen Safety 101
- ☑ Career Day
- ☑ Open Houses/Events






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FACTORS

- ? Latch Key Kids (ages 9-14)
- ? Self Esteem
- ? Academic pressure
- ? Drama
- ? Temptation
- ? Disappointment or Rejection





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Who are these Tweens?

Latch key children
Millions of American children let themselves in or out of empty houses and supervise themselves for an hour or more each day. Called "latchkey kids" because of the key around their neck or in their pocket, they are usually children of a single parent home or a home that both parents work.



Risky Behavior
Adolescents tend to engage many behaviors that increase their risk for injury. They tend to do things without thinking.





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Peer Pressure
And then, of course, there are myriad outside influences. Thanks to cell phones and texting, for example, tweens are developing closer bonds with their peer groups. Plus, many TV shows and even books aimed at this age. "Duh!" can attest.





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What's the purpose?

- Knowledge – self and family
- Skills-knowing what to do
- Work as a Team-work together
- Friendship/Trust- with the fire service





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Activities For Assembly

- #1 Walking Sticks
- #2 Home Escape
- #3 Pan Fire
- #4 Kitchen Fire
(extinguisher)
PASS signs
- #5 Earthquake
- #6 - 72 hour
emergency kit





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Walking Sticks:
Team work and communication skills (new recruit firefighters do this activity) 7th and 8th grade teams will race from start to finish. Winner crosses the finish line first. **(one point) the first team across the finish line will get the point**





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Home Escape Plan:
Explain two ways out.....have the each team escape differently-window/door (**one point**) if done correctly **both** teams may obtain the point



MEETING PLACE
PRIMARY ESCAPE PATH
SECONDARY ESCAPE PATH





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Pan Fire:
Explain the common fire starters in Kent is kitchen fire.
Explain why and what to do. **(one point)** if **done correctly both teams may obtain the point**





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Kitchen Fire:
Explain what to do if the fire gets too large. Extinguishers are not toys.
Extinguisher PASS **(one point)** if **done correctly both teams may obtain the point**





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Drop! Cover! Hold On!

Earthquake:
Explain to drop-cover-hold, wait 60 seconds before coming out from under the table. **(one point)**
if done correctly both teams may obtain the point.





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**72 hour
Emergency Kit**
Relay race to which team gets the correct items in the 72 hour kit – non-perishables. (one point) to the team that finishes correctly first





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Carabineers keyring to every student with the safety message

"THINK"






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All teams kept their Survivor THINK T-SHIRTS



Winning teams received a large candy bar





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Questions?


