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Daisy Mountain Fire Dept. welcomes new Paramedics

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Recently, two Daisy Mountain Firefighters completed an extensive training and passed the final Paramedic exam. The Daisy Mountain Fire District would like to recognize Kemp Quackenbush and Ryan Lewandowski for their hard work and devotion to the Department's EMS division.

Approximately eighty percent of the Daisy Mountain Fire District's emergency calls are medical in nature. The Fire District has committed to staffing all responding apparatus with Paramedics to meet the demands of the community it serves. Advanced Life Support staffing ensures that the highest level of pre-hospital care providers are available to citizens when they call 911.

The Fire District requires all Firefighters to be trained to a minimal level of EMT. In addition to the minimum training, Paramedics are required to attend comprehensive twelve month training. Paramedic students attend class twenty four hours a week for six months. They are also required to work for several months in a hospital setting. Students practice skills working under Nursing and Doctor Staff in a variety of hospital settings (Emergency room, Operating room, Labor and Delivery and Pediatric Emergency). Next they are required to perform Paramedic skills in the pre-hospital setting, working as a Paramedic with a senior Paramedic evaluator. Finally after all their preparation, students then must pass a National Paramedic Registry Exam consisting of both written and skill evaluations before being allowed to work independently as a Paramedic.

Again, we would like to congratulate Kemp and Ryan on their accomplishments and their continued contributions to our community.