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Shreveport Fire Fighters Gear-up for Annual Sparky Day Program

With a focus of building strong relationships with the community and schools, the Shreveport Fire Department is hosting its Annual **'Sparky Day'** event tomorrow, **September 27, 2016 from 10AM-12noon and 6-8PM at Independence Stadium.** The one-day, two session event is designed to educate the community about the importance of fire safety as well as demonstrate the many disciplines of the department.

Partnering with local public and private schools, school-aged students from throughout the parish will be bused in from 10AM-12 noon to learn the dangers associated with fire from trained fire safety professionals. The general public is encouraged to attend the 6-8PM evening session.

'Sparky Day' is one way for the fire department and citizens of Shreveport to work together outside of an emergency setting. Last year, more than 800 attended this event, and we are anticipating that number to increase to approximately 1400 attendees.

SFD'S COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM WILL INCLUDE:

- Demonstrations: Extinguishing a burning structure, hose lays, cardiac heart save, rappelling from the apex of the stadium, and live explosive detonations.
- Guest Appearances by SFD mascots, 'Pluggy' and 'Sparky'
- Fire Safety Literature and smoke alarm information.

The media is encouraged to attend.

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