



FRY FIRE DISTRICT

"Always Willing Always Ready"

November 24, 2020

Dear Community Members,

As we prepare for the Thanksgiving holiday, I wanted to take a moment to again share our sincere appreciation for your patience and support to ensure the safety of our personnel and their families. Your efforts ensure our continued ability to provide professional emergency services on **all** calls despite Covid-19! We will get through this next round together.

You can expect to see the changes we've made continued over the coming months. Unfortunately, our fire stations will remain closed to the public for non-emergency business through the end of the year. We're continuing to train and develop new ways of providing services. We now have more than 20 Paramedics trained to deliver vaccinations and immunizations in the field. We're also working closely with the Cochise County Health and Social Services Department to deploy rapid field-testing kits for symptomatic patients and first responders. The measures will guarantee our ability to continue providing you and your family with the same professional level of emergency protection you've come to expect.

If you call 911 with a medical emergency, here are a few things you can still expect to happen:

- EMS crews will still be wearing protective equipment which may include - a protective coverall, mask, gloves, and glasses. These are routine precautions to protect our personnel from contamination and help them avoid spreading disease.
- If your symptoms include a respiratory component or fever, we'll probably also give you a mask to wear during transport. We are still not allowing any family members to ride in the ambulance unless we are transporting a child.

Much like wildfires, prevention is key! Please don't stop following the CDC guidelines for personal safety and hygiene:

Wash your hands regularly for at least 20 seconds,
Wear a mask, and
Maintain 6' of personal space

Thank you for your understanding and support. We're honored to serve your emergency needs during this difficult time. For further information, please check our website and social media regularly. Happy Thanksgiving!

Respectfully,


Mark H. Savage, Fire Chief