

Permission Form  
Fire Safety House

My Child (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Has permission to tour the Fire Safety House \_\_\_\_\_

Does not have my permission to tour the Fire Safety House \_\_\_\_\_

Has the following health condition/concern and would like to skip the smoke portion of the demo \_\_\_\_\_

Has a special consideration when participating in the demonstration \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

For further information or concerns please direct them to the Fire Marshall @ 860.584.7964 ext 102



CARLYLE "HAP" BARNES  
FIRE  
SAFETY  
HOUSE



Fire Chief Jay Kolakoski  
Serving the Community Since 2015

Fire Marshal Robert Grimaldi  
Serving the Community Since 2013

Board of Fire Commissioners  
Chairman, Mayor Ken Cockayne  
Fire Commissioner Greg Boulanger  
Fire Commissioner Donald Goranson, Jr.  
Fire Commissioner Sean Moore  
Fire Commissioner Barbara O'Neill  
Fire Commissioner Sara Mangiafico  
Fire Commissioner David Preleski

## Description

The Carlyle “Hap” Barnes Fire Safety House is a 21 foot trailer constructed by the Surrey Company of Napoleon, Ohio. The Fire Safety House includes a group classroom, kitchen, living room, bedroom and control room. The Fire Safety House is designed to help children learn basic fire safety skills. Some of these skills include:

- Kitchen safety
- Proper use of heating appliances
- Candle safety
- Match/lighter safety
- Proper installation and operation of smoke and CO detectors
- Practicing exit drills in the home
- How and when to call 911
- Life saving skills in the event of a fire, including:
  - Stop, Drop, and Roll
  - Crawling under smoke
  - Knowing two exit routes
  - Checking for a hot door



Carlyle Fuller (Hap) Barnes (1924-2012) was a lifelong Bristol resident, well known and respected as a generous philanthropist, global industrialist, and a Bristol Fire Commissioner for 36 years. He also was an avid collector of firefighting memorabilia, including two vintage fire trucks which were frequently used in Bristol parades during his lifetime. His collection is now housed in the Bristol Museum of Fire History, located on the second floor of the New England Carousel Museum. His legacy included the establishment of funds to purchase and maintain our mobile fire prevention classroom. Due to his love for the Bristol community and his work as a Fire Commissioner, The Bristol Fire Department has dedicated our mobile classroom in memory of Carlyle “Hap” Barnes.

## How to Request The Fire Safety House

Please call the Fire Marshal's office at 860.584.7964 Monday-Friday 8:00 am-4:30 pm.

When calling, please have the following information available:

- Location (Trailer is 21 feet long, ample space is needed)
- Date and time (9:00 am-3:00 pm during appropriate weather)
- Age of students
- Parent/Guardian permission forms with signatures are required

(Please see back of brochure)

## What to Expect

When visiting the fire safety house, the participants (up to 10 per group) enters at the kitchen/living room area.

In this area, we explain kitchen/cooking safety, fireplace safety, the correct use of candles, matches or lighters, the importance of properly maintained smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and the need for visible exit signs. We also review how to make a 911 call. We then review emergency life saving skills such as “stop drop and roll,” crawling under smoke, testing doors for heat, and looking for two possible exits from every room.

Next the students will enter the bedroom, where they have the opportunity to safely experience what it is like to be in a real fire emergency. First, they will feel a “HOT” door, then nontoxic, non-allergenic smoke\*\* will be introduced into the bedroom, and a smoke detector will sound.

The children then practice “another way out.” Our staff will guide them to a bedroom window, and they are assisted in climbing down a 4-foot fire escape ladder, bringing them to ground level.

Students who are unable to participate in the ladder activity for any reason will be escorted out of the mobile classroom by an adult.

\*\*Presentation will be adjusted as appropriate to the age and needs of the group members. Handicapped accessibility is easily available upon request.