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Recruit Firefighters Graduate Massachusetts Firefighting Academy

On March 25, 2011 Andover Fire Rescue recruit firefighters Richard Capano, Richard Krafton and Christopher LaVerde were presented certificates of completion as part of the 190th Recruit Firefighter Training Class held at the Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School located in Marlborough, Massachusetts. The certificated were presented to the graduates by Fire Marshal Stephen D. Coan and Andover Fire Chief Michael B. Mansfield.

The three Andover graduates were part of a larger group of 67 graduates from 33 fire departments that included Amesbury, Chelmsford, Haverhill, Lexington, Salem, Wakefield, North Reading, and Lowell.

The 12 week program covered all of the basic firefighting skills necessary for a new recruit to begin a career in the fire service and become a part of the community's fire and rescue team.

Marshal Coan stated that, "This rigorous professional training provides our newest firefighters with the basic skills to perform their jobs effectively and safely".

Cambridge Firefighter/Paramedic Reneau Cherant, assigned to Squad 4 addressed the graduation. He volunteered and responded to Haiti early last year to assist victims of the earthquake.

Upon returning to duty with Andover Fire Rescue, the newly graduated recruits will be assigned to a shift and begin their service to the community.