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# Jackson County Fire Rescue Celebrates Six Graduates from Chipola College Paramedic **Program**

Jackson County, FL - Jackson County Fire Rescue is proud to announce that six of our dedicated Firefighter/EMTs have successfully graduated from the Chipola College Paramedic Program on Friday, August 9th. This accomplishment marks a significant milestone in their careers and is a testament to their unwavering commitment to serving our community.

The paramedic program at Chipola College is a rigorous 42-credit hour course that spans 12 months. Beyond the intensive class schedule, these students completed over 600 clinical and internship hours, all while maintaining full-time responsibilities with the department. Their dedication and perseverance are truly commendable.

#### The honorable graduates are:

- Ryan Anderson, Firefighter/EMT
- Josh Simmons, Firefighter/EMT
- Aron Williams, Firefighter/EMT
- Alex Brock, Firefighter/EMT
- Cameron Smith, Firefighter/EMT
- Gino Cusmano, Firefighter/EMT

Chief Charlie Brunner expressed his pride in the graduates, stating, "Congratulations to our employees who have worked tirelessly to achieve this milestone in their careers! We look forward to and wish each one the best of luck in passing their National Registry test and transitioning to a new role within the department!"

As these six graduates prepare to take their National Registry tests and step into their new roles, we celebrate their hard work and look forward to the enhanced level of care and service they will bring to our community.

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