

# Rochester Fire Department Monthly Media Blast



## August 2018

- **Back to School Safety:** College students will soon be heading back to campus for the fall, and parents are reminded to make sure their students have important safety equipment as they settle into dorms and off-campus housing. Most important are working smoke and CO detectors, as well as power strips for computers and lights. Appliances that draw higher amps (microwaves, refrigerators, toasters) should be plugged directly into a wall, and extension cord use should be avoided. For more safety tips, go to:  
<https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/sfm/families/Documents/Fact%20sheets/Campus-fire-safety-fact-sheet.pdf>
- **National Night Out:** RFD will once again be participating in National Night Out on Tuesday, Aug. 7. Anyone interested in having an RFD rig and crew stop by a block party can call 328-2800.
- **Pediatric Heat Stroke:** Did you know that on average about 35 children die each year in the U.S. from being left in vehicles when temperatures are too warm? With Minnesota in its hottest months of the year, it's critical that parents remember that children should not be left unattended even for short periods of time in parked cars, as temperatures can rise by as much as 30 degrees in just 10 minutes on an 80-degree day. More information can be found at:  
<http://www.noheatstroke.org/>

## Training Calendar

- **House Burn: Tuesday, Aug. 7.**  
5008 8<sup>th</sup> St SW. RFD will be performing live residential fire training in the morning. Please email us if interested in attending or for more information.



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