

# Fire Stoppers



## A Fire Safety Program for Families

If your child has shown an interest or curiosity about fire, they need education about fire safety. If your child has played with or set a fire, they need education about fire safety. Please don't think the behavior will "go away" or that he will "grow out of it". Even if your child started a fire and feels badly about it, his chances of using fire again are high.

*80% of children who start a fire, even accidentally, will use fire again if they do not receive education from a fire educator.*

The Seattle Fire Department offers a free, confidential education program for families in which children have shown curiosity about fire or have started a fire. The Fire Stoppers program engages children's interest and is informative for parents. The program involves an assessment of the child's fire safety needs, fun age-appropriate activities that help the child learn about being safe around fire, and information for parents on how to keep their whole family safe. For those children who would benefit from additional help, referrals are available for mental health counseling.

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**For more information about Fire Stoppers, please call 206-386-1338**