

# INTERESTED ORGANIZATION FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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## **1. Where can I apply?**

Organizations may apply here: [SAFD EEE Initiative Application](#). If you have any other questions please contact EEE coordinator, Danielle Rosevally at [EEE@safd.org](mailto:EEE@safd.org).

## **2. When can I apply?**

Organizations may apply April 15, 2025- June 15, 2025

## **3. When will initiatives take place?**

Partnering organizations will schedule a time with the SAFD. They can take place anytime from September 15, 2025 until December 15, 2025.

#### **4. What is an SPT? What is a CT and an AA?**

[Click here](#) for SAFD FAQ

#### **5. What does the SAFD provide each partnering organization?**

- 33 hours of training including an adjudication test for students who want to certify
- Adjudication fees for students
- Payment for instructors and assistants for the duration of the training
- Airfare if it is needed for instructors

#### **6. What is the partnering organization responsible for?**

- Insurance naming the Society of American Fight Directors as an additional insured for the duration of the program
- Housing and ground transportation for instructors
- A space for classes for a maximum of 16 students to move freely
- Adherence to all COVID protocols set by the SAFD
- Advertising and obtaining a student base
- Documentation of their experiences through biweekly reports provided by the SAFD.

#### **7. How many weapons disciplines can my organization train in?**

Each organization is granted an SPT. We highly recommend that all organizations start with the "unarmed" weapons discipline. In the event that the community has need for a different discipline, Robb Hunter, of Preferred Arms Theatrical Weapons, has graciously donated the service of his armory as long as shipping is paid for.

#### **8. How are teachers selected for the program? Can I request a CT or AA that represents the demographics of my community?**

- An organization may request a Certified Teacher or Advanced Actor Combatant they would prefer to work with.
  - Please note that all EEE staff must be approved by the EEE coordinator
- If an organization does not request specific SAFD members, the organization will first be given a list of possible interested SAFD members. If an organization does not have a preference on a specific facilitators they would like to work with, the decision will then go to the "Selection Committee".

## 9. Can organizations charge students?

No, partner organizations cannot charge students. The goal is to provide students with free and accessible training.

## 10. Does the SAFD provide insurance?

Interested organizations must provide insurance that covers all participants, including teachers and assistants, and the SAFD as an organization (via listing as an additional insured)

## 11. What should I include in my letter of intent?

Letters can be addressed to the EEE Selection Committee. In the form of a formal letter including a heading or letterhead with your organization's contact information (name, address, e-mail, phone number, etc.), please share specifics with us about:

- How this training will help your community and why your community wants/needs access to this training through the EEE program. Please be specific; we know and understand that stage combat is a specialized skill that can help actors with professionalization, but why is this important to *your* community? What is it about this training that will help shift the way your community members collaborate?
- What are the values of your organization, and how do they support the values of EEE as articulated on the [EEE website](#)? What qualifies your organization as underserved? What are the demographics of your community? Who participates in your programming?
- Thinking beyond the work on your stages, why will this training benefit your community at large? How can working with EEE create further impact in the world of your organization that will have longer-lasting implications beyond the 33 hours supplied by the SAFD?

## 12. Who has participated in EEE before?

In 2022, 2023, and 2024 EEE visited five locations around the country, servicing 87 students, and donating over 2600 hours of education!

- [Pork Filled Productions](#) (Seattle, WA)
- [San Diego City College](#) (San Diego, CA)
- [Omaha Community Playhouse](#) (Omaha, NE)
- [Costal Carolina University](#) (Conway, SC)
- [Teatro Del Pueblo](#) (St. Paul, MN)
- [EPIC Players](#) (New York, NY)
- [Cherokee Historical Association](#) (Cherokee, NC)

### **13. How are organizations chosen to participate?**

Organizations are selected based upon need, location, and experience. A "Selection Committee" will select partner organizations. The Selection Committee is comprised of members of the SAFD who represent the global majority, different genders, disabilities, and marginalized sexual orientations.

### **14. What kind of organizations can apply?**

Interested organizations should be incorporated as a non-profit. Examples of non-profit organizations can include academic or educational institutions, community or professional theatres and performing arts groups, or any other form of underserved non-profit organization with an interest in stage combat education and specifically the EEE Initiative with the SAFD. All participants must be 16 years old and above.