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Ascension Parish Fire District 3 announces improvement in Class Rating

Ascension Parish Fire District 3 is proud that after its most recent survey by the Property Insurance Association of Louisiana (PIAL), its rating has been raised to a Class 2. The new Classification may result in decreased fire insurance rates.

This achievement has been accomplished due to improvements completed before the survey. Many components factor into a district's rating. The availability of water and hydrants, the number of dispatchers on duty, the number of fire trucks and firefighters, and their training and equipment all affect a district's grading. The fire grading handbook also emphasizes using technology to become a more effective firefighting organization, such as using computer-aided dispatch systems and calculating performance measures aided by mapping technology, such as the time it took for a fire truck to arrive on the scene after receiving the signal.

Louisiana law mandates that better fire district ratings translate into savings on property insurance. La. R.S. 22: 1460(I) requires that insurers reduce premiums as fire gradings improve.

"This classification improvement is a direct result of the efforts and hard work of our men and women serving in Fire District 3. We are grateful for their diligence in continuing to make improvements for our safety." – Parish President Clint Cointment