

# Deputy Chief of Operations

## Cody Melton

Deputy Chief Cody Melton has been with the Wichita Falls Fire Department since 2007 serving in multiple ranks in the Operations Division from Firefighter to Captain. He was promoted to Fire Marshal in September 2020 and to Deputy Fire Chief in May 2023. He believes that the members of the Wichita Falls Fire Department are the organization's most important asset, it is their abilities, knowledge and experience that makes them one of the best fire departments in the State of Texas.

His certifications through the Texas Commission on Fire Protection include: Master Structural Firefighter, Instructor III, Plans Examiner, Master Fire Investigator, Arson Investigator, Master Fire Inspector, and Fire Officer II. In October 2019, he graduated from the Texas Fire Chief's Academy with the professional designation of "Certified Fire Executive" and has also graduated from Fire Executive Management Training at the Bill Blackwood Law Enforcement Management Institute of Texas (LEMIT) at Sam Houston State University. Melton is also a certified Peace Officer through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts from the University of North Texas in 2009, earned his Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree through Texas A&M International in 2022, and is a Certified Fire Marshal through the International Code Council.