

High School student on field trip to senior center extinguishes light fixture fire

Cape Cod Daily News (Mashpee, MA)
April 10, 2026

A Mashpee High School student, Jack Borowski, jumped into action when a light fixture caught fire during a field trip to the local senior center. The student grabbed a portable fire extinguisher and put out the flames before the fire department could arrive at the scene. No injuries were reported. [\[Read More\]](#)



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Call fire department.
Announce fire/alert others; Make sure everyone is safe.



Defend in place



Fire/smoke alarm sounds



Suppression system activates



Sprinkler system activates

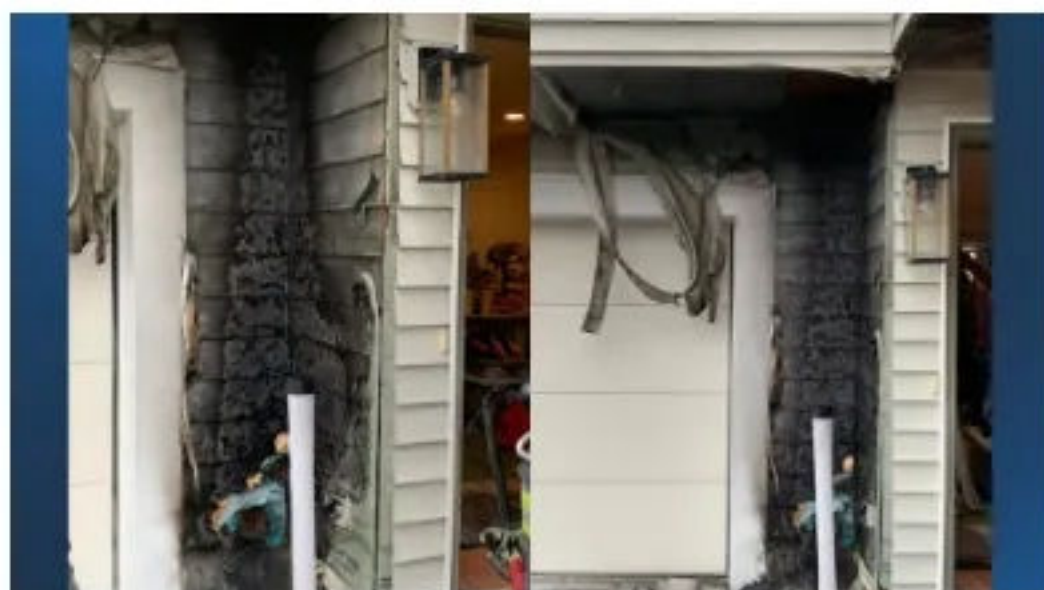


Fire department responds

Off-duty Massachusetts firefighter evacuates two residents after Atkinson home catches fire

Boston 25 News
April 14, 2026

An off-duty Mass. firefighter used a portable fire extinguisher to contain a house fire in Atkinson, NH. The firefighter was able to evacuate two residents unaware of the fire and keep the flames at bay until local firefighters could respond. No injuries were reported and local officials credited the off-duty firefighter with ensuring a safe resolution to the incident. [\[Read more\]](#)



North Carolina Teen saves burning home with portable fire extinguisher

WRAL News (Harnett, County, NC)
April 8, 2026

Nathan Byrd, an 18-year-old from Harnett County, NC, used a portable fire extinguisher to douse the flames of a grease fire before local fire fighters could respond. Byrd jumped over a neighborhood fence, with extinguisher in hand, to run into the smoking kitchen and fight the fire. Both residents of the house and their dog were able to evacuate safely. [\[Read more\]](#)



Fire Equipment Manufacturers' Association 101

The Fire Equipment Manufacturers' Association is the premier trade association representing leading brands, and spanning dozens of product categories related to fire protection. The Fire Equipment Manufacturers' Association is comprised of four divisions represented by product categories: portable fire extinguishers,

interior equipment, fire hose and pre-engineered suppression systems. These divisions work together in an effort to promote Layered Fire Protection, Life Safety and initial response when disaster strikes. Members of the Fire Equipment Manufacturers' Association have formed a subgroup, the Government Relations Committee (GRC), to address legislative and regulatory issues relating to portable fire extinguishers and pre-engineered systems. The GRC's main goals focus on helping to educate officials by advancing a layered fire safety philosophy that reflects the need for both sprinklers and portable extinguishers. This newsletter is published periodically to communicate to key members of the fire services and code officials on the importance of layered fire safety and the role that special application fire suppression systems and portable extinguishers play.

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