



HOW TO BECOME A TEXAS SCHOOL BUS DRIVER

This is a summarized guide. Contact your Transportation Manager for details.

NOTE: You can obtain your 20-hour School Bus Driver Safety Training certificate at any time prior to transporting students and licensing.

1. Obtain a Commercial Learner Permit (CLP) and a DOT physical.

You will need to pass a DPS-issued "written" exam to receive your Class B CDL PERMIT with Passenger and Schoolbus endorsement. Study the [Texas Commercial Motor Vehicle Handbook](#).

2. Complete an approved Entry-Level Driver Training (ELDT) Program as required by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA). [Learn more about the Entry-Level Driver Training.](#)

3. Schedule and pass a road/skills test from an approved Texas Department of Public Safety CDL Examiner.

4. Enroll in a first-available 20-hour school bus driver safety training class.

Apply for an Enrollment Certificate (temporary card), if you are needed to transport students before the 20 hours of training is complete.