



TRANSPORTATION
 KNOX COUNTY SCHOOLS
 DRIVER TRAINING

What to Expect

Transportation U consists of daily sessions meeting Monday through Friday for a minimum of four (4) weeks. Classes are held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with a 1 hour lunch break. Training will be held at the Sarah Simpson Professional Development Technology Center. Students are expected to make arrangements to be present every day for the duration of the training period.

Training will include:

- Intensive study of the Tennessee Commercial Driver’s License (CDL) Manual
Each student will receive their own CDL manual. This will be your own personal study guide – use it to make notes and highlight important information in preparation for the test over its content at the end of the first week
- Instruction in Knox County Schools policies and procedures
- Familiarization with federal and state mandates for pupil transportation
- Becoming acquainted with the physical school bus and general outside practices
- Practicing behind-the-wheel skills in a school bus
- *Any and all training provided by Knox County Schools will follow CDC and Knox County Health Department COVID-19 guidelines in order to maintain a safe environment for everyone. Classrooms will be disinfected prior to and after class meetings. Hand sanitizer will also be available to everyone.*

SpEd School Bus Applicants:

- If you will be driving for special needs students, additional training is required.
 - Must attend a one (1) day SpEd Training class conducted by KCS Special Education Department.
- If you will be driving a lift bus for special needs student:
 - Must attend a Wheelchair Securement Certification class with certified personnel on school bus (school bus provided by contractor/driver).

Transportation U Graduates

Upon completion of training, graduates will:

- ✚ Possess a Tennessee Commercial Driver’s License (CDL), including
 - Passenger (P) and School Bus (S) endorsements
- ✚ Become eligible for placement on the Knox County Schools driver roster
- ✚ Be a part of an outstanding group of Knox County Schools Professional Bus Drivers!

I, _____, have read and understand the expectations as outlined above for KCS **Transportation U** Driver Training.

Driver Applicant signature: _____

Date: _____