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## **School Bus Driver Examination and Training**

School bus drivers must pass physical examinations and meet other criteria as established by state and federal law and by Nevada Department of Education regulations including the requirements for a commercial driver's license (CDL).

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Legal Reference(s):

Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act of 1991, 49 U.S.C. Sections 31301-31317; 49 CFR Parts 40, 382 and 391-395 (2000).

## **DRIVER REQUIREMENTS**

### **Physical Examinations**

All school bus drivers shall pass a physical examination every two years, except drivers over sixty years of age, who must pass a physical every year. Records of physical examinations must be kept on official forms from the Department of Motor Vehicles or the State Department of Education. (Copies of these forms may be obtained at the district office.) A copy of the physical examination form must be submitted to the Transportation Director at the Lincoln County School District Office. The driver=s license examiner requires an additional copy.

When a driver experiences a serious illness or accident, the board of trustees will require the driver to have an additional physical examination before returning to work.

### **Training and Certification**

All school bus drivers must complete a formal school bus training course consisting of a minimum of forty hours (20 hours of instruction and 20 hours at the wheel.). In addition, each driver must pass a written test every year designed by the State Department of education.

### **Age Restrictions**

All school bus drivers must be at least twenty-one years of age. Each driver must be of good, reputable, and sober character.

### **Licensing**

All school bus drivers must have a valid CDL driver=s license issued by the Nevada Motor Vehicle Department (NRS 392.380) indicating the driver is qualified to operate a school bus, as defined by NRS 483.160.

### **Driver License Checks**

A driver=s license check will be made with the Department of Motor Vehicles on all school bus drivers. A valid license shall be a condition for employment. Drivers are expected to maintain both a good work driving record and a good personal driving record.

### **Disciplinary Actions Against or Suspension of Drivers**

Drivers must notify Lincoln County School District of any moving violation. Any driving record reflecting convictions for the following offenses will be subject to disciplinary action and/or immediate suspension:

1. More than three convictions for moving violations during the three years prior to a license check.
2. Driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or controlled substances.
3. Reckless driving.
4. Careless or imprudent driving.
5. Passing a school bus while loading or unloading passengers.
6. Speed contests.
7. Drag racing or exhibition of speed.
8. Hit and run.
9. Leaving the scene of an accident.
10. Failure to stop in the event of an accident resulting in property damage without personal injury.
11. Any accident involving students where there is negligence on the driver=s part.