

## ABOUT BIG SANDY COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Big Sandy Community and Technical College is a learning-centered college dedicated to student success. It is an excellent educational choice because it provides a quality education at an affordable cost.

Big Sandy Community and Technical College provides learning experiences for those preparing for immediate entry into the workforce upon graduation, for those transferring to a baccalaureate institution, and for community members seeking to enhance their knowledge and skills.



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# COMMERCIAL TRUCK DRIVING PROGRAM



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## COURSE DESCRIPTION

The purpose of the program is to prepare individuals as professional drivers for the truck driving industry. The course content is designed to familiarize students with the fundamental and operational procedures to become professional truck drivers.

This is the entire curriculum. It is not divided into individual courses. There are no credit hours given and nothing is transferable.

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ This program is designed for individuals with little or no commercial driving experience.
- ◆ The program includes Endorsement preparation, Department of Transportation rules and regulations, log books, map reading, trip planning, and complete yard and road vehicle training.
- ◆ Participants take a Department of Transportation physical, complete a drug screen, and acquire a Commercial Driver's License Learner's Permit while preparing to take the state administered Class A Road Test.
- ◆ A certificate of completion is awarded upon successful completion of instruction.
- ◆ Thirty (30) hours of home study is required during the program.
- ◆ Job placement assistance is available.

## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Individuals must meet the Federal Department of Transportation (DOT) physical requirements and have a valid driver's license at the time of registration. A high school diploma or GED is not required. The program will accept individuals age 18 and older, but has limited placement opportunities for those under age 21.

It is recommended that individuals obtain a copy of their Motor Vehicle report from the Driver's License Bureau prior to starting the program.

### The following may disqualify individuals:

- Driving record inconsistent with industry standards for entry level driving positions.
- Any alcohol-related citation on motor Vehicle record in the past five years.
- Recent felony conviction(s) or criminal background.
- History of drug or alcohol abuse.
- History of mental disorder.
- Failure to pass DOT physical exam.



Some people drive cross country.

## CLASSROOM

### 40 HOURS:

- Orientation
- CDL Permit Study
- Job Procurement
- Log Book, Hours of Service
- Map Reading, Trip Planning
- DOT Regulations
- Hazard Perception
- Night Operation
- Extreme Driving Conditions
- Railroad Crossing Safety
- Accident Reports

## YARD & ROAD SKILLS

### 120 HOURS:

- Pre-trip Inspection
- Couple/Uncouple
- Straight Backing
- 45 Degree Backing
- Parallel Parking
- Blindside Backing
- Shifting
- Double Clutching
- Turns
- Hazard Perception
- Uphill/Downhill
- Ramps
- Lane Changes
- Space Management
- Secretary of State Class A Skill Test

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