

CDL CLASS INFORMATION

The school bus **CDL class** will be in Bartow County October 14-16, 2015 from 8:30 to 1:30. The **class** is held in the mobile beside the Fleet Maintenance building on Hwy 41 and Fire Tower Rd. in Cassville. Trainees will need to bring a snack and drink. There will not a break for lunch but you are welcome to eat and drink during **class**. Multiple breaks will be given. Connie Wilkey is the contact at 770.606.5783 ext. 5370.

The starting pay is \$11.25 per hour. CCS drivers normally work four hours daily. Sub drivers are not eligible for benefits. Additional hours for are available for field trips and athletic events for subs and route drivers.

We are offering a signing bonus of \$300.00 in increments. If you are not a current CCS employee and you complete the class and road time training to become a sub driver, you will receive \$100.00 after you complete your 6-6-12 riding and driving. After 30 days of subbing, you will receive \$100.00 and after 60 days you will receive the remaining \$100.00. To be eligible for the bonus, you must come each time you are called to drive for a regular route.

If you prefer, you can take the **CDL** permit test at the DMV to get started before attending the class but this isn't required until it is time to drive. The manual is available on line.

You will have to take 4 tests. The **CDL** knowledge tests are all multiple-choice and include:

- The general knowledge test, taken by all applicants.
- The passenger transport test, taken by all bus driver applicants. The passenger transport skills test must be taken and passed by all applicants in order to obtain this endorsement.
- The air brakes test, which you must take if your vehicle has air brakes, including air over hydraulic brakes.
- The School Bus test required if you want to drive a school bus. The school bus skills test must be taken and passed by all applicants in order to obtain this endorsement.

The passing score for all knowledge tests is 80%. Following this, you must drive with a trainer in Bartow County. Once you satisfactory complete this, you will complete your 6 hours of observing a CCS driver and 6 hours of driving a CCS route with supervision. If you satisfactory complete this, you will fully be licensed to drive a school bus in Georgia.

More information and the study manual can be found below. Study sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10. The study guide magazine is also available at the DDS.

<http://www.dds.ga.gov/commercial/commdata.aspx?con=1742699628&ty=com>

<http://www.eregulations.com/georgia/commercial/>

Applicants who intend to drive a school bus for a public school system, may present the signed and notarized Form [DDS-1233](#) to waive the \$35 permit application fee. Please contact me for the form. In total, you will pay \$20.00 for the permits. The school system will pay for your training. If you do not complete the training you will be responsible for the fees of the class and training.

If you are interested in employment and will attend the class, please go to our website and put in an application for employment. The application can be found at www.calhounschoools.org under Human Resources. Please email me that you have submitted an application and intend to attend the class. Please include a copy of your current driver's license in the email so that your MVR can be completed.

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