

Truck Driving Academy

In 1999 the Southern State Community College (SSCC) Truck Driving Academy was formed to meet the needs of the transportation industry by providing quality CDL training and retraining. We are committed to providing quality training for entry-level drivers. A student can receive his/her CDL with all endorsements in as little as three weeks. An eight weekend program is offered for those who can't attend during the week.

Locations of Training:

- Wilmington, Clinton County
- Piketon, Pike County
- Cincinnati, Hamilton County
- Warren County Career Center, Greene County
- Columbus, Franklin County
- Perry Campus, Hocking College
- Meigs Campus, University of Rio Grande

Types of Training:

- Basic Class A CDL with airbrake, combination vehicle, double/triple, tanker and HAZMAT endorsements
- Commercial Bus Training
- School Bus Training
- Diesel Mechanic certification
- Heavy Equipment training

Tuition

Tuition for both the three week and eight weekend program is \$3,995 for in-state students. This covers the entire cost of the program as well as all state required testing and license fees. HAZMAT Endorsement is an additional \$94.00. The three week program is available to out of state students for \$4,545. The additional \$550 is to cover cost of lodging.

Financial Aid

Financial aid may be available through the Ohio Workforce Investment Act, the Veterans Administration or other sources.

Qualifications

To qualify for employment as a professional over-the-road driver, you must be 21 year of age and pass a DOT physical exam and an alcohol and controlled substance test. You must hold a valid Commercial Driver's License.

For Intrastate Ohio, applicants may qualify at 18 years of age. To enroll in the program, you must possess a valid Ohio drivers license. The TDA will reimburse the costs of acquiring a valid Ohio drivers license for qualified out of state students.

How to Apply

1. Complete the 2 page Pre-Admission questionnaire
2. The Academy is required to obtain a motor vehicle driving record for every student
3. A criminal background check will be done by the Academy as a method of helping to determine employment eligibility
4. After completing and getting both pages notarized, mail them, along with a non-refundable \$15 check for processing, (no cash please) to:

Truck Driving Academy
200 Hobart Drive
Hillsboro, OH 45133
Attn: Admissions

After the information is reviewed, you will be contacted either by phone or e-mail to complete the process. The processing fee of \$15 will be applied to the student's tuition after he/she is enrolled.

Job Placement

Job placement is offered to graduates. SSCC maintains excellent relationships with numerous companies and associations. At the end of our program successful graduates walk out the door with the potential to earn from \$30,000 to 45,000 – during their first year.

Contact Information

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