

**PREMIER DRIVER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM / OPTION 1  
CLASS A / PASSENGER BUS TRAINING/EXTERNSHIP  
600 CLOCK HOURS**

**21 Weeks – Full Time**

- 4 Weeks -- Classroom
- 13 Weeks – Lab: Yard/Road
- 4 Weeks -- Externship

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**SECTION ONE: CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION 125 Hrs.**

Classroom Instruction introduces students to the trucking industry; its regulations, laws, taxes, and standards. It covers a wide range of subjects to strengthen the student's knowledge in truck driving techniques, maneuvers and safety awareness.

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**SECTION TWO: STRAIGHT TRUCK /PASSENGER BUS TRAINING 40 Hrs.**

Straight Truck /Passenger Bus Training educates students through both driving range and on-road instruction. Students will learn vehicle inspection and backing maneuvers to include; alley dock, offset lane change, parallel parking, straight line backing, and experience various traffic situations and roadway systems. Passenger Bus Training will also include instruction on the safety aspects for transporting passengers.

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**SECTION THREE: DUMP TRUCK TRAINING 20 Hrs.**

Dump Truck Training teaches students all aspects of dump truck operation and load handling. This course provides the skills necessary to properly load, unload, and secure vehicle contents. Students are able to practice braking, turning, backing, and safe dump truck operation procedures.

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**SECTION FOUR: TRACTOR-TRAILER TRAINING (CLASS A) 255 Hrs.**

This portion of training provides students with hands-on instruction in vehicle pre-trip inspections, coupling and uncoupling, and backing maneuvers to include; straight-line, alley dock, offset backing and parallel parking. Students are also provided with behind-the-wheel experience in various traffic situations and on various roadway systems.

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**SECTION FIVE: EXTERNSHIP 160 Hrs.**

This portion of training is designed to give the student practical over-the-road driving experience under the supervision of an experienced tractor-trailer driver.

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**TOTAL PROGRAM HOURS 600 Hrs.** \*\*\*\*\*

**PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:** This program is designed for individuals who have no previous tractor-trailer experience and want an extensive training program that focuses on safe driving habits and skill development. This program includes OSHA safety standards, HAZWOPER training, and an emphasis on developing safe driving practices. Training prepares students for the CDL Skills Test and entry-level employment as a tractor-trailer driver.