

About CDL Programme

NHSC Commercial Driver's License Program (CDL) is an eight-week course that meets the new FMCSA Entry-Level Driver Training (ELDT) regulations. The CDL courses are a comprehensive program that will provide students with the information needed to take the Commercial Driver's License Permit test, the Entry Level Driver Training, and the behind-the-wheel experience. The focus of the program is for students to obtain a Commercial Driver's License (CDL).

Prerequisites and Registration

- Must be at least 18 years old; however, if you plan to drive across state lines you must be 21 years of age.
- Must be able to read and speak the English language in accordance with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety (FMCSA) regulations.
- Must have a current North Dakota Driver's license.
- Must obtain a drug screen dated within two (2) weeks of the class start date.
- Must be able to obtain a DOT Physical before testing.

Safe and Professional TRUCK driving is not just a skill, it's an ATTITUDE



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Class SCHEDULE

Class meets 4 days a week, Monday- Thursday. Classroom instruction days meet from 9 AM-4 PM.

Classroom Instruction: Driver qualifications, hours of service, logbooks, driver wellness, driver fatigue, control systems & and controls, whistle-blower protections, inspections, and defensive driving. These are a few of the required FMCSA topics covered.

Hands-on Driving: Vehicle inspections, basic controls, shifting and clutching systems, backing (straight line, offset, alley dock), speed control and management, hazard perception, defensive driving skills, on-road driving on city and rural roadways as well as highway routes. These are a few of the 19 required topics covered in the Behind-the-Wheel range and public road instruction that meet the requirements set forth by FMCSA.

Upon class completion, students will take their North Dakota CDL Drive Test utilizing our truck.

**There are three things that should remain constant no matter what type of trucker you are
Always drive to the conditions, the traffic and your comfort level.**

Class COST



\$2000.00 tuition includes fees, textbooks, and the cost of the truck rental for your North Dakota CDL Drive Test.

- 10% non-refundable deposit to hold a seat that goes towards the full tuition.
- Remaining tuition balance one week prior to the start of class.
- Students can also expect to incur other costs: such as DOT physical, drug screen, and written knowledge test.

How Do I PAY

The CDL program is not an academic program it is under NHSC's Continuing Education (CEU). Because it is a CEU program it is not eligible for PELL grants or most traditional college grants.

IT IS UP TO YOU TO FIND THE FUNDING FOR THIS PROGRAM BUT SOME SUGGESTIONS ARE LISTED BELOW:

- 477 will pay up to \$2000.00 for this program.
- Check with the tribal education office as the Chairman's grant may pay for some of the programs.
- There are employers that will pay if you promise to work for them (you must find these employers on your own.)
- Check with your VA representative.
- Check with WIOA based at ND Job Services
- Or pay on your own.

FACTS



NHSC

tuition is several thousand dollars less than most of the other CDL programs in the state.



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Does not assist with and/or guarantee the job placement of students. However, trucking recruiters are welcome to the school.



This is not an academic program so as a completer you will not be able to receive college credit for this training.

