

## 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.

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TRUCK driving is  
not just a skill,  
it's an ATTITUDE**



# NHSC CDL PROGRAM



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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.



**NHSC**

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.