TRUCK DRIVING PROGRAM

Location: 4220 Augusta St. Vernon, Texas

Please contact us at truckdriving@vernoncollege.edu

The Transportation Industry is growing and there is a high demand for well-trained drivers. This five-week course utilizes state-of-the-art simulator training, classroom instruction, range and road driving, and practical application of skills used in the operation of a tractor-trailer. The truck-driving course prepares students to complete the written exams and the driving exam necessary to receive a Class A Commercial Driver's License (CDL). The course meets all Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration guidelines. Students who successfully complete the entire course will receive a class "A" Commercial Driver License, a certificate of completion and be qualified to secure an entry-level job as a Commercial Motor Vehicle driver. Initial CDL training is offered using an **automatic transmission truck**, allowing students to focus on developing essential driving skills and successfully obtaining their CDL. Students who are interested in learning to operate a manual transmission may **continue with additional manual training** following their initial CDL training.

CLASSES HELD AT VERNON CAMPUS ONLY

Please note* Instruction is provided in English only, and per Federal and Texas guideline all students must be proficient in the English language to obtain a commercial driver's license.

2027 Course Start Dates:

- January 25
- March 22
- May 3
- June 21
- August 16
- October 4

Class Times:

Week 1 - Permit Class: Monday- Thursday 8a-5p

Weeks 2-5 - Driving Skills: Monday- Thursdays 8a-5p

Registration:

- A student may enroll in an upcoming Truck Driving course to reserve their seat.
- **Payment for FULL tuition or proof of funding is required upon registration.**
- Student must be 18 years of age at the commencement of the course.
- Copy of the students valid/current Drivers License is required at registration.

Requirements Prior to the Start of Class:

1. Student is required to have a Department of Transportation (DOT) physical / DOT Medical Card.
2. DOT Pre-employment drug screen. Drug screen must not be more than 30 days old.
3. Student must also have a copy of a driving record obtained through the Texas DPS office with at least 3 years of driving history. The record can be obtained online at How to Order a Driver Record | Department of Public Safety.

*Cost of the physical, drug screen and driving history is the student's responsibility.

Please note: To ensure a smooth start to your course, please plan to submit all paperwork to the Continuing Education Office or email it to truckdriving@vernoncollege.edu ten days prior to the first day of class.

*Total Cost to Obtain CDL:

Tuition: $4,000 (Week 1: $500 / Week 2-5: $3,500)

Additional Fees (estimated):

DPS Fees: Check the DPS website for up-to-date fees

DOT Physical and Drug screen: $100 estimated cost

Additional fees and prices are subject to change

Please note:
FASFA will not pay for this certificate program.

Funding Options:

If you need assistance paying for the Vernon College Truck Driving Program, you may contact the following departments:

- Texas Workforce Solutions – (940) 322-1801
- Veteran Affairs (940) 696-8752 ext. 2007
- Rolling Plains Management Corporation 940-684-1571 ext: 244
- TXTA Foundation Scholarship www.texastrucking.com/scholarship-application-trade-school
- Vernon College Continuing Education Scholarship (ONLY available if denied by TWC)

Students MUST provide proof of funding approval prior to registration.

REGISTRATION LOCATIONS:
CONTINUING EDUCATION OFFICE AT VERNON COLLEGE CENTURY CITY CENTER 4105 MAPLEWOOD AVE WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS
OR VERNON COLLEGE OSBORNE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 4400 COLLEGE DRIVE VERNON, TEXAS

Classroom address: 4220 Augusta St. Vernon, TX 76384

Driving Range address: 8407 FM 433 W Vernon, TX 76384

Disclaimer: Vernon College trains for the Texas state CDL exam. If a student lives outside of Texas, students will be responsible for providing their own testing vehicle. Vernon College provides the student a vehicle (manual or automatic) for two attempts at the DPS following training. If a third attempt is required, there will be additional fees.

Visit our website **www.vernoncollege.edu/truckdriving** or email us at **truckdriving@vernoncollege.edu** for more information.