

Flour Bluff Independent School District Job Description

JOB TITLE: Special Education Bus Driver

WAGE/HOUR STATUS: Nonexempt NUMBER OF DAYS: 260 REPORTS TO: Transportation Coordinator DATE REVISED: 12/09

PRIMARY PURPOSE:

• Responsible for safe and orderly transportation of students with disabilities on assigned route. Operate a school bus that transports students with disabilities and other authorized personnel to and from schools or designated locations.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Minimum:

- Valid Texas Commercial Driver's License (Class B) with passenger and school bus endorsements
- Speak, read and write English language

Special Knowledge/Skills:

- Must be 21 years of age
- Ability to pass alcohol and drug test
- Ability to complete required bus driver safety training
- Ability to follow written and verbal instructions
- Ability to communicate effectively
- Knowledge of student discipline procedure
- Ability to manage student behavior
- Ability to operate bus

Experience:

• One year experience as school bus driver

Supervisory Responsibilities:

• Monitor the work of the Special Education Bus Aides

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES:

Vehicle Operation:

- 1. Follow assigned route and adhere to established schedules.
- 2. Check bus for mechanical defects before and after each operation and notifies supervisor of needed repairs.
- 3. Report all accidents, vehicle damage, student injuries, and mechanical failures.
- 4. Keep records of student pick up and drop off times.
- 5. Keep assigned bus clean and fueled.

Student Management:

- 6. Help students with disabilities get on and off bus according to their individual needs.
- 7. Learn and adapt to each student's special medical, physical, communicative, and emotional needs.
- 8. Communicate with teachers and parents daily regarding student behavior.
- 9. Supervise students as they board and leave bus and cross street.
- 10. Maintain discipline, reports student discipline problems to appropriate administrator.
- 11. Instruct students on safe riding rules and regulations.

Safety:

- 12. Observe all traffic laws and safety regulations for school buses.
- 13. Inspect bus by checking fuel, oil, water, tires lights, brakes, and steering to ensure bus can be operated safely before driving.
- 14. Ensure proper condition of emergency equipment, such as first aid kit, fire extinguisher, fuses, and reflectors.
- 15. Correct unsafe conditions in work area that could cause an accident and informs supervisor of any conditions that are not correctable immediately.
- 16. Report any hazardous conditions along the route.

Other:

- 17. Ability to operate two-way radio equipment to communicate with transportation office.
- 18. Work irregular hours as needed.
- 19. Attend and completes required training program to maintain safety certification.
- 20. Maintain good working communications with co-workers and other staff members.
- 21. Maintain good attitude in difficult situations.
- 22. Help maintain cohesiveness among employees.
- 23. Perform duties in a timely and organized manner.
- 24. Project a professional image through demeanor and dress.
- 25. Maintain regular and reliable attendance.
- 26. Comply with Maintenance/Transportation Department policies and procedures.
- 27. Comply with policies and procedures as outlined in employee handbook and addendum.
- 28. Adhere to proper channels when communicating ideas, problems, etc.
- 29. Perform other duties as assigned.

Mental Demands/Physical Demands/Environmental Factors:

Tools/Equipment Used:

Operate school bus; two-way radio; global positioning system (GPS); safety equipment including but not limited to flares, reflective signs, and fire extinguisher

Posture:

Prolonged sitting; frequent standing and twisting; occasional kneeling/squatting, bending, stooping, and pushing/pulling

Motion:

Prolonged driving; moderate walking; frequent climbing stairs, grasping/squeezing, wrist and shoulder flexion/extension, and reaching

Lifting:

Limited light lifting and carrying (less than 15 pounds) daily

Environment:

Frequent exposure to extreme hot and cold temperatures, noise, and vehicle fumes; work around moving vehicles; regularly work irregular hours, and occasionally work prolonged hours

Mental Demands:

Maintain emotional control under stress

The above statements describe the general purpose and responsibilities assigned to this job and are not an exhaustive list.