



2023 CATALOG

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Lockhart Trucking Academy, LLC is authorized by the Tennessee Higher Education Commission. This authorization must be renewed each year and is based on an evaluation by minimum standards concerning quality of education, ethical business practices, health and safety, and fiscal responsibility.

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2023 CALENDAR

- The ***Commercial Driver Preparation for Class A CDL*** course is one hundred sixty (160) hours in length over a period of four (4) weeks. Classes are typically held Monday thru Friday from 8am-4pm (CST) unless special arrangements have been made.
- All classes will start each Monday and are subject to the availability of class capacity.
- Please refer to our website for open seating/availability in upcoming classes.
- Applications for enrollment will be accepted until the close of business the Thursday before class is scheduled to begin (the following Monday).

- **Holidays** – School and office will be closed on:
 - **April 7th**- Good Friday (Friday)
 - **May 29th**- Memorial Day (Monday)
 - **July 4th** – Independence Day (Tuesday)
 - **September 4th** – Labor Day (Monday)
 - **November 23rd & 24th** – Thanksgiving (Thursday & Friday) -
 - December 25th** – Christmas (Monday)

ENROLLMENT PROCEDURES

Applicants are advised to refer to our website or contact our office directly to determine if open seating is available for the date of the course he or she would like to enroll.

- The ***Commercial Driver Preparation for Class A CDL*** course is one hundred sixty (160) hours in length over a period of four (4) weeks. Classes are typically held Monday thru Friday unless special arrangements have been made; a student to make up missed class time due to emergencies (subject to the discretion of the institution’s director); etc.
- All classes will start each Monday and are subject to the availability of class capacity.
- Classes will not begin on any Monday that falls on a nationally recognized holiday or that would be significantly affected by holidays that fall within the four (4) week enrollment period.
- Applications for enrollment will be accepted until the close of business the Thursday before class is scheduled to begin (the following Monday).

How to Enroll

- All potential applicants must complete our online form located on our website at www.lockharttruckingacademy.com .
- Potential applicants will be contacted by a representative of the school within two (2) business days of completing the online form. ● Potential applicants must:
 - be at least nineteen (19) years of age
 - applicants under the age of twenty-one (21) may only work “Intrastate” (within their resident state’s borders) for a motor carrier in accordance to federal law and will have very limited job placement options

- applicant's ages twenty-one (21) and over may work "Interstate" (cross state lines/operate in the contiguous states) in accordance to federal law and will have more job placement options
 - o have a valid Class D Driver License
 - Must obtain a Class A Commercial Driver License Permit within two (2) weeks of class starting
 - o and have a valid Medical Examination Certificate (Medical Card) in accordance to federal law
- Prior to signing an enrollment agreement, all potential applicants will be provided a pre-enrollment checklist which they must review, sign and date along with an institution representative.
- The school representative will work with the potential applicant to determine if he/she has been "pre-hired" by a trucking company or discuss any companies he/she may be interested in working upon completion of the course. We will make every attempt to match a potential applicant with a motor carrier prior to enrollment so he/she may be "pre-hired" and have a tentative placement upon completion of the course and successfully passing the CDL A Road Test to obtain his/her license.
 - o Potential applicants should note that hiring criteria is different for every motor carrier and is subject to criminal history background and motor vehicle record checks
- Potential applicants will be provided a *Transferability of Credit Disclosure* that must be signed and returned to Lockhart Trucking Academy, LLC prior to enrollment.
- Upon receipt of signed disclosure, an enrollment contract for educational services will be forwarded to the applicant for completion.
 - o Applications must be received no later than the Thursday prior to the scheduled start date of the course in which he/she is applying.
 - o All applicable fees (including tuition) must be paid to Lockhart Trucking Academy, LLC prior to the start of class unless prior arrangements have been made.
- Applicants will be notified in writing and by telephone once his/her application has been processed and accepted/denied.
- In the event an application is denied, the applicant will receive all monies paid, less an \$100.00 administrative fee.

COURSE INFORMATION

Commercial Driver Preparation for Class A CDL –

This course is one hundred sixty (160) hours in length of a period of four (4) weeks. This includes forty (40) classroom hours and one hundred twenty (120) practical experience. The purpose of the course is to prepare CDL A Permit Holders (Commercial Driver License Class A Permit Holders) for his/her road examination to receive full licensure. Students will be given two (2) attempts to pass the road test and obtain licensure from a provider duly authorized by the State of Tennessee. Failure to complete the road test on first attempt will result in a minimum forty-eight hour (48 hour) waiting period (per State guidelines) before Applicant is eligible to take the road test again. Fees for these tests are included in the tuition paid by the Applicant. Should Applicant fail both road tests, Applicant will be responsible for any subsequent tests and equipment fees if applicable. LTA reserves the right to deny any request to take 3rd and subsequent tests; and any approved requests will require an additional \$1,000 fee per test to cover the use of the vehicle, instructor transporting vehicle to and from test site, and applicable test fees.

Cost of the Course –

The tuition cost for the *Commercial Driver Preparation for Class A CDL* is five thousand nine hundred dollars (\$5,900.00) and includes: ● cost for controlled substance (drug) test to be administered first day of class

- and fees for up to two (2) attempts to successfully pass the commercial driver license road test required for licensure.

Tuition does not include:

- State licensing fees such as Permit exam and license issuance
- Medical Card
 - o A medical card/certificate may only be issued by a medical professional who is approved by the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners.
 - o You can search for a registered medical professional in your area at:
www.fmcsa.dot.gov/national-registry-certified-medical-examiners-search

Payment Methods –

All applicable fees (including tuition) must be paid to Lockhart Trucking Academy, LLC prior to the start of class unless prior arrangements have been made.

The Academy accepts all major credit cards, offers student tuition financing, and offers a cash discount as follows:

- Major credit cards accepted include:
 - MasterCard, Visa, American Express & Discover
- Financing options include:
 - \$2500 down & 12 monthly payments of \$285 each;
 - \$3000 down & 12 monthly payments of \$240 each;
 - \$3500 down & 12 monthly payments of \$200 each.
- Cash Discount of \$900 off total tuition if paid in full upfront for total amount of \$5,000.

Training Equipment –

Students will be provided hands-on practical experience by using tractor-trailer combinations with ten-speed transmissions. The purpose is to familiarize students on how to perform pre-trip inspections as required by law and procedures for operating a Class A commercial vehicle in preparation for his/her CDL road test. Manual transmission vehicles are used for training and testing purposes to prevent certain “automatic transmission only” restrictions from driver license upon issuance.

Location of Training –

Training will begin each day at Lockhart Trucking Academy, LLC’s facility located at 606 Briskin Lane, Lebanon, TN 37087. The classroom and some practical instruction will be held at this location. As a student advances through the program, he/she will operate a commercial vehicle on the area roadways under the guidance of his/her instructor as part of the practical instruction.

Measuring Progress –

While the Academy does not provide grades to show progress, the student must meet minimal standards required to meet each task required to pass their license exam. These tasks include:

- Pre-Trip Inspection
- Straight line Test
- Offsite & 90 Degree Backing
- Shifting

- Road Test

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Students are required to complete one hundred sixty (160) hours of coursework to receive a certificate of completion for the course. In the event a student cannot attend class, he/she must immediately notify the school director or an instructor. It will be left to the director's discretion if a student will be allowed to makeup the hours based on the nature of the absence and the availability of training staff and equipment. Students that fail to report to class without notifying school personnel as mentioned or that miss two (2) or more days of class will be expelled for unsatisfactory attendance. A student may be readmitted upon the sole discretion of the institution's director after reviewing a written appeal from the student and determining whether or not the absences were not preventable (i.e. extraordinary and/or unpreventable circumstances).

CODE OF CONDUCT

Behavior –

Students are expected to act in an appropriate and professional manner at all times. Operating commercial vehicles can be hazardous so any disruption, confrontation, horseplay, or other behavior found to distract or create an unsafe environment will be removed from the property and expelled from class.

Attire –

For both safety and professional purposes, students must wear: ● full length pants (jeans, khakis, etc.) or knee length shorts free of obvious damage more than general wear and tear

- shirts with sleeves (muscle shirts, spaghetti straps, etc) at least covering the upper portion of the arm below the shoulder
- shoes or work boots (no flip flops, sandals, etc) that cover the entire foot and have decent soles/tread for climbing in and out of the trucks (non-skid tread and/or work boots are recommended but not required)

Students should also pay close attention to hygiene as the confines of a truck with other students and an instructor are not conducive to odors such as

strong colognes or perfumes. Be courteous to those around you in this respect.

TRANSFERABILITY OF CREDIT

Lockhart Trucking Academy, LLC is a special purpose institution. That purpose is to prepare students so they may obtain their commercial driver license by successfully passing the road test required for licensure. This purpose does not include preparing students for further college study. Students should be aware that transfer of credit is always the responsibility of the receiving institution. Whether or not credits transfer is solely up to the receiving institution directly to determine to what extent, if any, credit hours can be transferred.

REFUNDS/CANCELATIONS

Refund Any request for a refund shall be submitted in writing and submitted or addressed to the Director of the school.

Timeframe Refunds shall be provided within two (2) weeks of the student submitting a formal request, unless other arrangements have been discussed.

Non-Refundable Administrative Fee Under no circumstances shall the initial one hundred dollar (\$100.00) administrative fee be refundable.

Withdrawal or Expulsion Applicant may withdraw from class at any time upon written notice to their instructor. Any withdrawal made on or before the first day of class, or fails to begin class, a refund shall equal the sum of all amounts paid or to be paid by or on behalf of the student for the period of enrollment, less an administrative fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

If after class has commenced and before expiration date of the ten percent (10%) of the period of enrollment (at the end of Day 2) for which the Applicant was charged, the Applicant withdraws, drops out, is expelled, or otherwise fails to attend classes, the refund shall equal seventy-five percent (75%) of all amounts paid or to be paid by or on behalf of the student for the period.

If after the expiration of the ten percent (10%) of the period of enrollment for which the Applicant was charged, and before expiration of twenty-five percent (25%) of the period (between Day 3 and Day 5), an Applicant withdraws, drops out, is expelled, or otherwise fails to attend classes, the refund shall equal twenty-five percent (25%) of all amounts paid or to be paid by or on behalf of the Applicant for the period.

If after expiration of twenty-five (25%) of the period of enrollment for which the Applicant was charged (Day 6 forward), a student withdraws, drops out, is expelled or otherwise fails to attend classes, the Applicant may be deemed obligated for one hundred percent (100%) of tuition fees and other charges assessed by the institution.

Failed Drug Test Should the Applicant fail the initial drug test required, the Applicant shall be removed from the Academy immediately upon the Academy receiving notice from the third-party drug testing facility. The Applicant will be refunded any portion of amounts paid in accordance to the refund policy as specified based on the date the notification was received and reviewed by the Academy.

GRIEVANCES

In the event a student has a complaint, concern, or grievance of any nature relating to staff, classmates, facilities, he/she should notify the school director or owner immediately. Students are welcome to discuss these concerns with the director but are encouraged to submit a written statement for it to be officially reviewed and addressed. Their email and phone number are listed below for your reference.

Robert (Bodhi) Engler, Director
606 Briskin Lane
Lebanon, Tennessee 37087
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Students may also file a complaint with the Tennessee Higher Education Commission. Their contact information is as follows:

Tennessee Higher Education Commission
Postsecondary State Authorization Staf
404 James Robertson Parkway, Suite 1900
Nashville, TN 37243
(615) 741-5293