Truck Driver State Contest Information

NO SUBSTITUTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED AFTER APRIL 5TH, 2024 THERE WILL BE NO SUBSTITUTIONS ALLOWED ON-SITE AT THE CONFERENCE*

Competition Date: 4/16/2024

Time: Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. and the contest will start promptly at 9:30 a.m.

Location: Central Tech Truck Driver Training, Drumright Oklahoma

Subject: Important Information for State Truck Driver USA Skills Contest Participants

Instructors/Contestants,

We hope this message finds you well. As we gear up for the State Truck Driver USA Skills Contest, we wanted to ensure that all participating teams have the necessary information for a smooth and successful event. Here are some crucial details and requirements:

1. Team Registration:

- Ensure that your school's team is officially registered for the State Truck Driver USA Skills Contest.
- Verify that all team members' information is accurately entered, including names, contact details, and license details.

2. Documentation:

- Each participant must bring a valid Driver's License to the event.
- (Secondary students are not required to have a CDL to participate).

3. Vehicle Inspection:

- Teams may bring their own vehicles for the competition. Central Tech can supply Tractor/Trailers for contestants if needed. Contestants will be permitted to visit Central Tech before contest to get familiar with the equipment they will be operating.
- Ensure that the vehicles meet the safety and technical requirements outlined in the competition guidelines.

 Pre-inspect your vehicles before arriving at the event to avoid any last-minute issues. If your Tractor/Trailer cannot pass a Pre-Trip Inspection, do not bring it to the competition.

4. Team Apparel:

- Participants are required to wear appropriate and Industry apparel. Students
 will not be allowed to wear any clothing that identifies what school they are
 representing.
- No jewelry will be allowed that could present a safety concern while inspecting or operating equipment during the contest.

5. Timeline:

- Familiarize yourselves with the event schedule and ensure that your team arrives on time.
- Be prepared for any briefings or orientations before the actual competition.
- There are 3 entrances to our school. The farthest south entrance is the one all tractors/trailers will use to access our facility. There is a sign before entering that says "T.S.E ENTRANCE ONLY" "ALL OTHER VEHICLES PROHIBITED". You will be turning west into the facility on Denver/Jackson Blvd. Go to the first stop sign and turn right. Go across the simulated RR Crossing to next stop sign and turn right. Drive onto the apron and you'll see truck parking on the southeast corner of the apron.
- Instructors/Staff will be on the range to help with parking. They will be driving golf carts and will assist all contestants to main building for registration.

6. Scoring Criteria:

- Understand the scoring criteria for each segment of the competition.
- Ensure that your team is aware of how points will be awarded and how they can optimize their performance.

Contestants will be judged in three categories. Written Test=10%, 90-degree back= 20%, Conventional off-set back= 20%, and Pre-Trip=50%

Written Test – Each contestant will take a written test that is directly related to the trucking industry.

Conventional Off-Set Back - Each contestant will get a 10-minute period starting with 100 points. Each pull-up will cost 2 points, and all boundary violations will cost 5 points per violation. The number of violations will be deducted from 100 points. If the contestant cannot complete the back skill in the 10-minute period, he or she will receive a "0" for this part of the contest. Contestants will use their own trucks to back with. <u>The examiner will read instructions</u> before performing the backing skill.

90 degree Back – Each contestant will get a 10-minute period starting with 100 points. Each pull-up will cost 2 points, and all boundary violations will cost 5 points per violation. The number of violations will be deducted from 100 points. If the contestant cannot complete the back skill in the 10-minute period, he or she will receive a "0" for this part of the contest. Contestants will use their own trucks to back with. <u>The examiner will read instructions before performing the backing skill</u>.

Pre-Trip – All contestants will do a complete Pre-Trip and will be judged by a DPS Examiner. Each contestant will get 45 minutes. If the contestant cannot complete the Pre-Trip in this amount of time, they will get the points he or she have earned. Contestants can use Central Tech Trucks or their own schools' truck for Pre-Trip.

NOTE: The Pre-Trip will be performed and graded exactly as if taking a Class, A test for DPS.

***Please do not wear any clothing that states your name or the school you represent. You will be identified by a number while competing in the contest.

7. Contact Information:

• Feel free to contact me for more information. Below is my contact Information.

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