

Truck Driving Advising Guide

Steps to Enrolling into the Truck Driving Program at Riverland Community College:

- 1) Apply to Riverland Community College – www.riverland.edu/apply
- 2) Submit High School Transcript or GED
 - a. It is not required to submit a High School Transcript or GED, but it is highly recommended you do so.
 - b. If you have a high school transcript – call your high school and have them sent directly to Riverland.
 - c. If you have a GED, you can scan us a copy of your diploma
 - d. If you do not have a GED or HS Transcript, please email admissions@riverland.edu
- 3) Students should consult with an admissions specialist to review program requirements. Call 507-433-0600 or email admissions@riverland.edu .
- 4) Fill out the front and back of our vehicle use agreement -<https://www.riverland.edu/academics/programs/truck-driving-cert/how-to-apply/student-vehicle-use-agreement/>
 - a. Turn this into an admissions specialist or email a scanned copy to admissions@riverland.edu
- 5) For students entering the program, an Accuplacer Reading score of 235 is recommended. Students can register for an Accuplacer here: <https://www.riverland.edu/admissions/accuplacer-placement-testing/>
- 6) Complete the Online Orientation - <https://www.riverland.edu/student-services/academic-advising/online-orientation/> . Then, consult with your academic advisor to register for classes.
- 7) Students must take and pass the CDL permit testing for all six endorsements (General Knowledge, Air Brakes, Combination Vehicles, Tanker, Passenger, and School Bus).
 - a. You will need to request that your permit is not issued until you have completed all six endorsement exams.
 - b. The CDL permit is only valid for 6 months so make sure that you will have the 16-week program completed within that timeframe or you may be required to retake the permit tests.
 - c. While at the driver's license station, students need to obtain a certified copy of their Motor Vehicle Record or MVR.
- 8) Students must pass a DOT physical – available at most clinics to find a clinic near you visit <https://nationalregistry.fmcsa.dot.gov/home>
- 9) Students must pass a drug screen 5-10 days before classes begin - available at Tubbs Chiropractic: <https://www.tubbschiro.com/>
- 10) Purchase 3 log books and other required materials available in the Riverland bookstore.