

# Truck Driving Advising Guide

This 16-week program provides first-rate hands-on and classroom training for high-demand careers in the transportation industry.

## Program Specifics:

Students will receive industry credentials in: Class A-CDL with hazmat, dry-bulk tanker, doubles, triples and passenger endorsements. Students that complete the program will also receive a college Certificate (22 credits). Students that pass a DOT drug screen and complete the requirements below prior to the class start date will be on their way to a successful career in the transportation industry.

## Steps to enrolling into the Truck Driving Program at Riverland:

1. Students must consult with program advisor, Jonathan Rymer, prior to program admission. Please call 931-529-1480 or 507-433-0600.
2. [Fill out a Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Student Vehicle Use Agreement](#) turn it in to Riverland Admissions Office or scan it to [admissions@riverland.edu](mailto:admissions@riverland.edu)
3. Students should complete the Riverland General Application Process:
  - a. Apply online at [www.riverland.edu/apply](http://www.riverland.edu/apply)
  - b. Send official High School transcripts to the college. If you have a GED, we will need a copy of the document. If you have taken college level coursework at another college you will need to send those official transcripts to Riverland.
4. Apply for Financial Aid at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)
5. Students must take and pass the CDL permit testing for all five endorsements (General Knowledge, Air Brakes, Combination Vehicles, Passenger, Doubles/Triples).
  - a. The CDL permit is only valid for 6 months so make sure that you will have the 16 week program completed within that timeframe.
  - b. While at the driver's license station, students need to obtain a certified copy of their Motor Vehicle Record.
6. Students must pass a DOT physical – available at most clinics to find a clinic near you visit <https://nationalregistry.fmcsa.dot.gov/NRPublicUI/home.seam>
7. For students entering the program, an Accuplacer Reading score of 52 is recommended. Students can register for an Accuplacer [here](#) or by calling 507-433-0656.
8. Register for classes and purchase 3 log books and [textbook](#).