



### School Bus Driver Evaluation

District/Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver: \_\_\_\_\_ Evaluator: \_\_\_\_\_

Check the box for each task only when the driver completes it successfully.

Defensive Driving	Evaluated
Accelerates smoothly	<input type="checkbox"/>
See hazards early 15 sec.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Following distance 6 sec.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Check mirrors every 5-8 sec.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Move eyes every 2 sec.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Space cushion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Car length at stops	<input type="checkbox"/>
Eye contact	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brakes early and smoothly	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pedestrian awareness	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communicates intentions	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tire to ground contact	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parked vehicles	<input type="checkbox"/>
Packs/clusters	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pacing lights	<input type="checkbox"/>

Merging/Lane Changes	Evaluated
Signals intent	<input type="checkbox"/>
Checks mirrors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gradual merge/change	<input type="checkbox"/>
Speed of approach vehicles	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stays in acceleration lane	<input type="checkbox"/>
Correct merge speed	<input type="checkbox"/>

Right Turns	Evaluated
Signals in advance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Properly checks mirrors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Positions vehicle in correct lane	<input type="checkbox"/>
Uses reference points	<input type="checkbox"/>
Checks tail swing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete turn in lane	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yields appropriately to traffic	<input type="checkbox"/>
Uses push/pull steering	<input type="checkbox"/>

Left Turns	Evaluated
Signals in advance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Properly checks mirrors	<input type="checkbox"/>
Positions vehicle in correct lane	<input type="checkbox"/>
Uses reference points	<input type="checkbox"/>
Checks tail swing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Complete turn in lane	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yields appropriately to traffic	<input type="checkbox"/>
Uses push/pull steering	<input type="checkbox"/>

Backing	Evaluated
Mirror use	<input type="checkbox"/>
Uses 4-way flashers	<input type="checkbox"/>
Opens window	<input type="checkbox"/>
Straight line backing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parallel parking	<input type="checkbox"/>
Utilizes assistance as needed	<input type="checkbox"/>

Intersections	Evaluated
Fresh/stale green light	<input type="checkbox"/>
Covers brakes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scans before entry	<input type="checkbox"/>
Checks mirrors/braking	<input type="checkbox"/>
Left-Right-Left scan	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delayed acceleration	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yields right of way	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does not change lanes	<input type="checkbox"/>

Railroad Crossings	Evaluated
Uses 4-way flashers	<input type="checkbox"/>
Master switch on/off	<input type="checkbox"/>
Silences vehicle (fans, etc)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quiets passengers	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stops between 15-50 feet	<input type="checkbox"/>
Opens window/door	<input type="checkbox"/>
Looks/listens	<input type="checkbox"/>
IDs rear bumper clearance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Closes door before proceeding	<input type="checkbox"/>

Parking (uphill/downhill)	Evaluated
Within curb line	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wheels turned correctly	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parking brake set	<input type="checkbox"/>
Identified tail swing upon exit	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>

Bridge/Underpass	Evaluated
Knows weight restriction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Knows bus clearance height	<input type="checkbox"/>

Loading/Unloading	Evaluated
Mirror usage on approach	<input type="checkbox"/>
Turn signal use	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yellows on – distance	<input type="checkbox"/>
Distance from students	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not in intersection	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brake/Neutral/Open door	<input type="checkbox"/>
Verbal/Physical signal to cross	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student mgmt. – load/unload	<input type="checkbox"/>
Students seated before move	<input type="checkbox"/>
Counts students away	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mirror scans	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proceeds with caution	<input type="checkbox"/>
Warns students of hazards	<input type="checkbox"/>
Explains loading/unloading	<input type="checkbox"/>
Points of hazards	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student mgmt. on route	<input type="checkbox"/>
Car seat use procedure	<input type="checkbox"/>
Evacuation procedures	<input type="checkbox"/>

Special Needs	Evaluated
Lift use	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secures/stows equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secures passengers	<input type="checkbox"/>
Identifies equipment	<input type="checkbox"/>

Vehicle Type:  A  B  C  D

Brake Type:  Air  Hydraulic

Vehicle Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note to evaluator:**  
*The driver being evaluated must successfully complete each task. If the driver fails to successfully complete a task, you must take immediate corrective action to ensure the driver performs each task correctly.*

Evaluator signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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