

→ **Serve Your Community and Join Oklahoma's Education Team as a School Bus Driver**

- Free Training Provided for Certification and Commercial Driver License Tests.
- Minimum age is 18. All ages must pass an annual physical.
- Weekday and Saturday drivers needed. Hours vary, two to eight hours daily.
- Average monthly salary for school bus drivers was \$1,663 in FY09.
- Insurance and retirement benefits are available through the hiring school.
- Apply at any public school district. A state list may be found at <[www.sde.state.ok.us](http://www.sde.state.ok.us)>.



**It's a fact**

School bus service is a courtesy and privilege. School bus service is not required by law.

**Oklahoma Public School Bus Service Statistics and Information**

- School district compliance with state and federal student transportation regulations and laws are overseen by State Department of Education Regional Accreditation Officers (RAO).
- Each school district is **responsible for the purchase of their school bus fleet**. Some districts choose to lease buses, or contract with a school bus service.
- Daily bus routes, including student pick-up locations, are decided by each local school district's administration.
- Oklahoma's public school districts employ an average of **5,000 full-time school bus drivers** and 4,000 part-time drivers.
- Oklahoma's 7,500 school buses travel a total of **70 million miles each year** (average).
- An average **369,000 students** utilized daily school bus service provided by Oklahoma's K-12th grade public schools in FY2009.
- **58%** of enrolled K-12th grade public school students used school bus service in FY2009.
- School buses reduce vehicle emissions and fuel usage. Studies show that the **average school bus replaces 30 cars**.
- Students riding school buses are **13 times safer** than they are when riding with parents or driving their own cars.



**How to Become a School Bus Driver**

