



**43rd Annual
Provincial
School Bus Road-ee
June 6, 2026
Nisku, Alberta**



Welcome to the 43rd Annual Provincial School Bus Road-eo!

The Road-eo showcases school bus operators from across the province of Alberta. Alberta is honored to have so many professionals in our midst and we are proud of all representatives from across the province.

Just by being chosen to represent your school district or company, you have already proven that you have the skills and attitude of a professional school bus operator.

Even though the day's events are competitive, try to look on the activities as an opportunity to demonstrate your skills, your attitude and more importantly, as an opportunity for fellowship with your peers from around the province.

We wish you all the best of luck and trust that you will find this year's Road-eo a very enjoyable and rewarding experience.

Thank you for your participation.

2026 Road-eo Committee



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The Bus Center - Team Award

AMTA - Novice 1st place Conventional and Small Bus

Rocky View Schools - Most Professional Award

Dynamic Specialties - Small Bus 1st Place Award

Western Canada Bus - Conventional Bus 1st Place Award

First Student - Breakfast

PWT - Lunch

Sparksman - Tent

AMTA - Parking lot for event



1. Schedule of Events

Friday June 5, 2026

7pm - 9pm: Registration for Contestants and Judges
Holiday Inn & Suites Airport Conference Center
1100 - 4 St Nisku, AB T9E 8E2

Saturday June 6, 2026

Holiday Inn & Suites Airport Conference Center:

6am - 7:45am: Breakfast

7am - 7:45am: Final registration for Contestants and Judges

8am - 8:45am: Written Knowledge Test

Shuttle will run to and from the course starting at 8:30am

8:30am - 9:00am: Judges meeting at Holiday Inn Boardroom

9:15am - 9:45am: Course walk for contestants

10:00am: Road-eo event begins

6:00pm - 6:45pm: Cocktails - western/casual dress

6:45pm - 8pm: Banquet

8:00pm - 9:00pm: Awards Presentation

9:00pm - 1:00am: Dance

2. Introduction/Rules

Road-eos have proven to be one of the most effective instructional tools available to improve a person's driving skills. The School Bus Road-eo emphasizes the following objectives:

1. To motivate reinforcement of training and implementation of good practices involved in superior job performance as a school bus operator.
2. To recognize excellence and provide for the demonstration of skills and responsible performance required in the demanding job of the school bus operator.
3. To develop public awareness of the skills and responsibilities involved in being a school bus operator.
4. To encourage communication and sharing of awareness and experience between bus operators.

Provincial School Bus Road-eo Rules:

1. All decisions made by course Marshals are final. Arguing with the course marshals may result in complete disqualification.
2. Ties will be broken by totalling scores from the first five (5) events for the highest total score.
3. It is understood that elementary students are on the bus from the time the driver leaves the starting line and the driver must conduct him or herself accordingly. In all events, the doors must remain closed unless the rules of an event requires the door to be open (eg. Uncontrolled Railroad crossing, student pick up).
4. Any event that requires a judge to measure (back up, curb line, stop line, parallel parking), you must **secure the bus and honk** to let the judge know it is safe to measure.

3. General Information

1. The 43rd Annual Provincial School Bus Road-eo will be held in Nisku, AB on June 7, 2026.
2. All the driving events will be held at the AMTA (Alberta Motor Transport Association) Training Facility located at 3599 56 Ave, Edmonton Airport.
3. The evening banquet and awards will be held at the Holiday Inn & Suites Airport Conference Center located at 1100 - 4 St Nisku, AB T9E 8E2.
4. The Road-eo will be limited to the first 70 entries. Entries will be limited to the first, second and third place winners from Local Road-eos. Where no local Road-eo is held, two (2) entries will be permitted.
5. To register, applications or intent to register must be submitted to Kelli Pickett astac.alberta@gmail.com by **May 26th, 2026**. Realizing that many local Road-eos are not held prior to this date, final registration (contestant names) must be received by the deadline of **May 29th, 2026**.
6. Contestants must report for the written test by 8:00am on June 6, 2026.
7. Contestants may be disqualified for unprofessional conduct throughout the Road-eo event.

8. Contestants will be responsible for their travel, accommodation and registration expenses. The Road-eo committee will not book hotel accommodation but a block of rooms has been reserved at the Holiday Inn & Suites Airport Conference Center. Individual arrangements must be made with the hotel to be guaranteed a room.
9. Breakfast, lunch and Saturday evening dinner are included in the contestant and judge packages. Additional dinner tickets must be purchased from the Road-eo Committee.

Contestant Information:

1. Contestants must be physically able.
2. Contestants must not have competed in more than one (1) local Road-eo in order to gain entry into the Provincial Road-eo.
3. Contestants are expected to represent only one (1) company.
4. Contestants must be professional in attire with appropriate footwear for driving a school bus.
5. Contestants must be respectful of all other competitors. They are not to argue with volunteers, judges and/or marshals at any time.
6. Contestants must be on time and ready to compete.
7. Contestant's family members are not to judge an event when the contestant is competing on the course.

The information assembled in this booklet is patterned after the International School Bus Safety Competition with adjustments to reflect current Alberta rules, regulations and practices. It is not intended that all Road-eos should be conducted in the same manner, but this manual has been designed to serve as a guide in the preparation of contestants for the Alberta Provincial Road-eo.

In order to qualify for the competition, a driver must hold a valid commercial drivers license and meet any other licensing or certification requirement for a school bus driver from the province where he/she is employed. In addition, he/she must not have a preventable school bus accident (as defined by the National Safety Council Safe Driver Award Program) in the past 12 months. Definition of a Preventable Accident: "An occurrence involving an employer owned or leased vehicle that results in an accident in which the driver in question failed to exercise every reasonable precaution to prevent it."

4. Class, Bus Size and Procedures

- Type C: Conventional 70 passenger buses will be used for the Conventional competition.
- Type A: A cutaway style for the Small Bus competition.
- ALL buses have graciously been donated by Southland Edmonton Alberta and will be Thomas Freightliner buses.

Contestants will be assigned a number by random draw when registering and will be expected to drive in that order unless the Course Marshal rules otherwise.

Procedures

1. Final registration for all contestants will be accepted until 7:45 am on Saturday June 6th, 2026 before commencement of the written test. **LATE ARRIVAL MAY DISQUALIFY A CONTESTANT.**
2. Contestants are to write the written test between 8:00am – 8:45 am Saturday morning, June 6th. The actual skill-driving portion will start promptly after all contestants take part in the “walk through” at 9:15 am. **Contestants are expected to be ready when their number is called. Not being available when called may result in disqualification.**
3. Any bus operator who knowingly accepts signals from spectators will be automatically disqualified. All spectators will be required to stay a minimum of 25 feet away from the course.
4. In all driving events, the bus doors are to be kept closed unless rules and regulations of a particular event require that they be opened. It shall be assumed that the bus operators have pupil passengers on board throughout the contest and therefore must conduct themselves accordingly.
5. Each contestant will be required to maintain a proper driving position except when rules and regulations require the contestant to leave the seat of the vehicle. Proper driving position is, being firmly in the seat with feet placed on the floor or on the controls. The contestants will not be permitted to put their head out of the bus window. Seat belts must be worn and snugly fastened during the competition.
6. Because various local districts may have different regulations, these contest rules shall apply even though they may differ from the rules and regulations that the bus operator normally operates under.
7. Due to the fact that the contestants will likely be in a common group area during the Road-éo activities, they will be placed in their honor not to assist other contestants in any way.
8. Winners will be announced at the evening awards presentation on Saturday, June 6, 2026.
9. In the event of a tie among the top four finishers, the tie will be broken by totaling scores of the first five (5) driving events for each contestant involved in the tie. The winner will be determined by the highest score. If a tie still exists, the sixth driving event will be considered and so on.
10. Contestants should read all the instructions found in this booklet very carefully. These instructions explain what will be expected in each phase of the Road-éo event (i.e. written test, driving skills events).
11. There will be a Champion Novice Driver Award given to the contestant with the highest score who is competing in the Provincial Road-éo for the first time.

It is strongly suggested, though not required, that contestants be selected by competing in local competitions prior to entry in the Provincial competition. For that reason, information is included within these guidelines to assist in setting up a local Road-éo.

5. Tips on Planning A Local Road-eo

- The cost to set up and conduct a local school bus Road-eo varies from one area to another. Emphasis is on voluntary support from law enforcement people, school contractor's staff and other interested groups or individuals.
- The buses used in the skill events must be of consistent body design and specifications. Tire size must be the same on each vehicle and exterior mirrors should be similar. The important thing to remember here is to maintain consistency from one bus to another.
- It is recommended that awards (trophies & plaques) be presented to the top three contestants.
- The contestants might appreciate a social time following the Road-eo if it is within your budget. It may be possible to host a luncheon for contestants and judges or perhaps a banquet and dance could be held. In many areas of the Province the bus Road-eo is the focal point of bringing bus operators and staff together for a day of fun and fellowship. Inviting local school officials and Board members to serve as judges helps to increase their awareness of the task of operating a school bus safely.
- Contract operators may wish to pool their resources to stage a Road-eo. Ideally, school administrators and officials would take part in the Road-eo and contribute toward the cost of materials.

Equipment Requirements

- Timing device (i.e. phone) (x 2). One for the driving course If more than one bus is used for an event, then it is recommended that additional stopwatches be provided. These may be obtained through the schools or possibly from sports groups.
- Whistle for the timekeeper. (optional)
- 1 x 100 foot tape measure and 1 x 6 foot tape measure.
- Pavement marking material such as lime, chalk, tire crayons, survey tape or spray paint if allowed.
- Traffic cones and barriers. A number of cones will be required and ideally barriers should be available for course layout and for props. Items may be rented from traffic supply houses or borrowed from the local highway/utilities department.
- Special props - listed under event descriptions.
- Drivers are required to produce a valid Class 2S School Bus Driver's License
- Entry into the scoring area by a contestant or driving coach is prohibited.
- Unauthorized entry onto the road-eo course may result in disqualification.
- No communication devices of any kind are allowed in a School Bus Road-eo Competition.
- The competition committee will make the final determination on any disqualification.

6. Road-eo Events

All events listed are modeled after the International Safety Competition rules and regulations. Please check the score sheets attached as they have been changed and adapted to meet current Alberta rules and regulations.

Each of the following sections includes the title of the event, a description of the event, layout instructions and the scoring procedures, including score sheets. The better understanding the contestants have of the information the more successful they are likely to be during the competition. The sequence of events in this publication is not necessarily the sequence of events in the International Competition; nor will all the events be included.

Summary of Possible Points Per Event

General Knowledge Written Test	200
Offset Alley Event	50
Railroad Crossing	50
Right Turn Event	50
Straight Line Event	50
Diminishing Clearance Event	50
Back up Stall Event	50
Left Turn Event	50
Parallel Parking Event	50
Student Loading Event	50
Curb Line Event	50
Stop Line Event	25
TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS	725

General Knowledge Test

Total Possible Score: 200 points

Purpose of the test:

A school bus driver must be familiar with many laws, regulations and procedures which he/she must faithfully observe. Experts in the school transportation industry have established these laws and regulations over many years.

Publications to study for the Provincial Competition are as follows:

1. [SEndorsement Manual](#) School Bus Driver Improvement Program Manual (Sept 2022)
2. [Commercial Driver's Guide](#) Alberta Commercial Drivers Guide (Spring 2025)
3. [Driver's Guide](#) Alberta Driver's Guide (Spring 2023)

Instructions:

This test will be composed of 50 multiple choice questions. These questions will be based on the publications mentioned above and on common sense. Examples below are of the general type that will be used.

Example of tests questions:

A stop sign means:

- a) Slow down to at least 10 km/hr
- b) Slow down to at least 15 km/hr
- c) Proceed cautiously if there is no traffic within 100 yards
- d) Come to a complete stop

Scoring:

A total time limit of 45 minutes has been established for the General Knowledge Test which includes questions on Vehicle Inspection. Each test question answered incorrectly or not completed will result in a charge of 4 demerits for the written test.

Offset Alley Event

Maximum Score: 50 points

Purpose of the event:

This event is designed to evaluate a driver's ability to handle the bus under actual, and simulated driving conditions. An offset alley is set up to determine the contestant's ability to drive his or her bus through the offset lanes with a minimum of hesitation and without touching the barriers or flag tips.

This is a timed event: The contestant will be allowed two (2) minutes to complete the event. Time starts when the front bumper enters the first set of barricades and ends when the rear bumper exits the last set of barricades.

Instructions for Type C & D Buses over 29 Feet and All Small Type A Buses:

Two or three sets of parallel barriers, 10 feet long, are set up with flag tips 10 feet apart. The right barrier flag tips of the first set are placed in a direct line with the left barrier flag tips of the second set (the offset barriers), or visa-versa. The distance between any two sets of barriers (from the end of the first set to the beginning of the second set) will be the length of the competition bus plus 3 feet.

The direction of the offset (left or right) will be determined by the Competition Director.

Scoring:

The following demerits will be charged for touching a flag tip:

1 flag tip	7 demerits
2 flag tips	21 demerits
3 flag tips	42 demerits
4 flag tips	50 demerits

For each time of stopping the forward motion of the bus, eight (8) demerits will be charged (not to exceed 16 demerits):

1 time	8 demerits
2 times	16 demerits

Backing the bus during the event	50 demerits
Touching a barrier	50 demerits

Failure to:

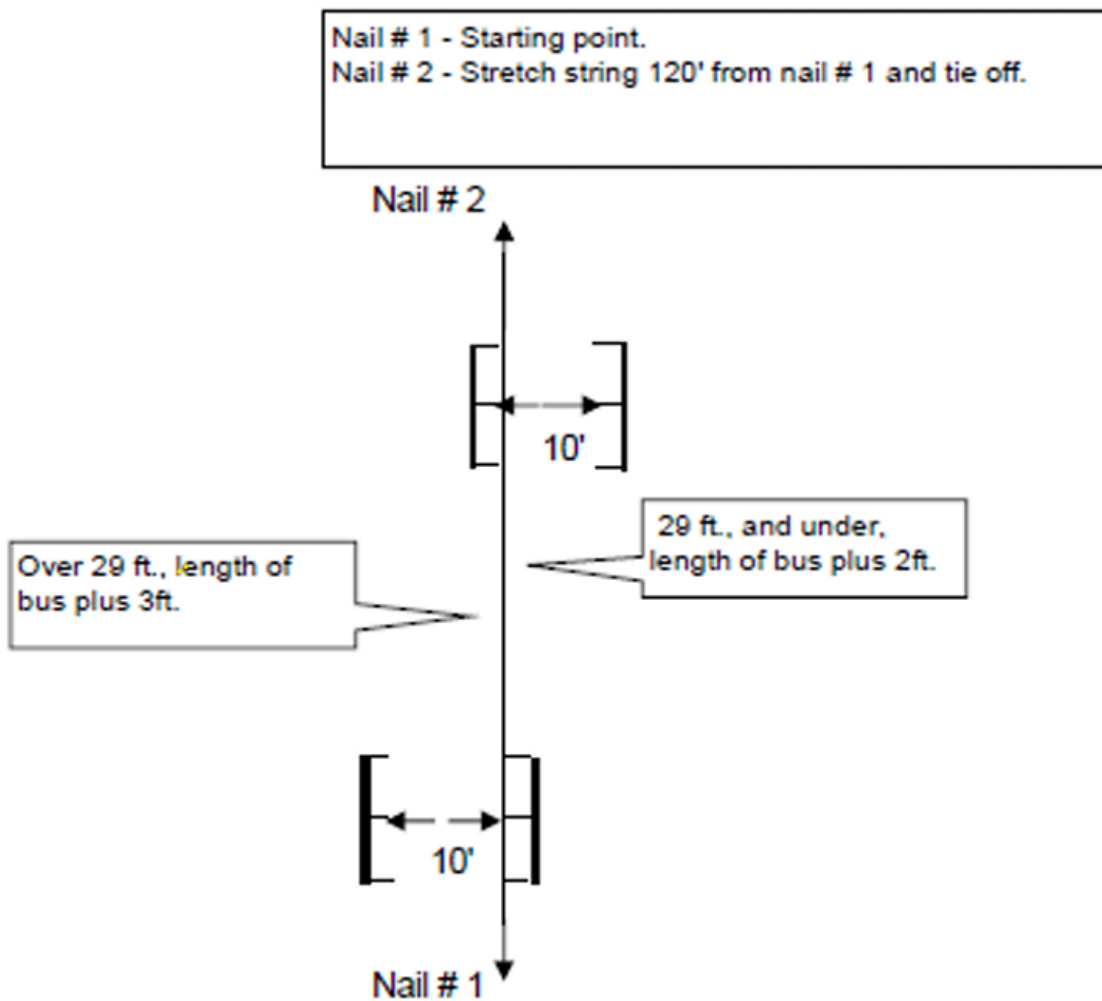
Wear a seatbelt	50 demerits
Keep door closed during the event	50 demerits
Drive with headlights on	50 demerits
Complete event within the time limit	50 demerits

Offset Alley Layout & Directions:

Type A bus mirror brackets must be higher than 48"

Setup Tools:

- Heavy-duty claw hammer
- 1 ½ inch masonry nails (one box)
- Two 25 ft tape measure
- One 100 ft tape measure
- One 1000 ft roll of nylon string
- One box of yellow marker crayons
- Carpenter's Square
- Four to six 10' barriers with flag tips
- Other



Offset Alley Event Score Sheet

Contestant # _____ Event Judge(s): _____

Maximum Score:	50 points
Demerits:	- _____
Score Earned:	= _____

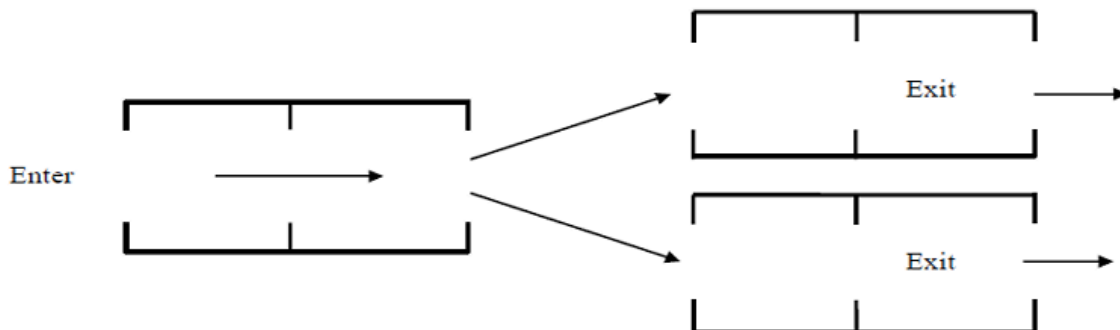
FAILURE TO:

DEMERITS

Complete event in the 2 minute time limit	(50 demerits) _____
Drive with the headlights on	(50 demerits) _____
Wear seat belt properly	(50 demerits) _____
Keep door closed during event	(50 demerits) _____
Each instance of stopping forward motion of the bus (8)	Max of (16 demerits) _____
For each flag tip touched (1=7) (2=21) (3=42) (4=50)	Max of (50 demerits) _____
Backing during the event	(50 demerits) _____
Vehicle touches a barrier (excluding base)	(50 demerits) _____

Actual Time: _____ minutes _____ seconds

Indicate which flag tip or barrier has been touched



Railroad Crossing

Maximum Score: 50 points

Purpose of Event:

This test evaluates the driver's common sense, degree of care and knowledge of the laws, rules and regulations when required to maneuver a school bus across uncontrolled railroad tracks.

Instructions:

A simulated railroad crossing is laid out as follows:

- A two lane road crossing one set of uncontrolled railroad tracks
- Railroad crossing signs will be properly positioned to the right side of the roadway in which the driver will make the approach to the intersection.
- The driver will approach the railroad crossing and stop as required by law.
- Upon checking the tracks in both directions, the driver shall continue to steer the bus in a straight line across the railway tracks.

Scoring:

Drivers are judged from the time they approach the crossing until they completely clear the tracks. They will be checked on the use of mirrors, stopping/securing the bus, opening the door and window, checking the tracks in both directions, driving across the railroad tracks, etc. Recommended procedures outlined in the SEndorsement manual will be used for the basis of scoring.

Approaching the Railway Crossing:

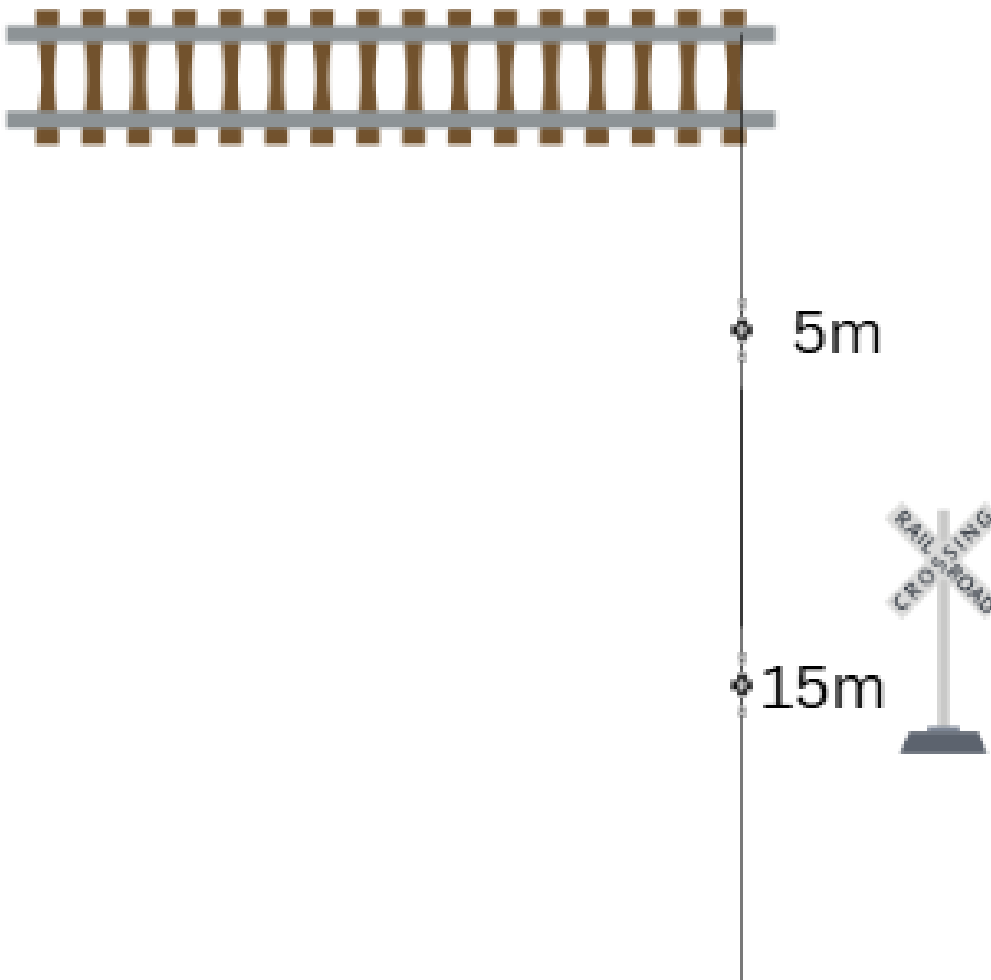
Failure to:

	Demerits
Complete the event	50 demerits
Drive with headlights on or not wearing seat belt	50 demerits
Shut off noise (fans, heaters, students to be quiet)	25 demerits
Stop between 5 and 15 meters from the nearest rail	50 demerits
Secure the bus	50 demerits
Open window and door at railroad crossing	50 demerits
Check the track in both directions to ensure it is safe to cross	50 demerits
Check the left outside mirror(s) before crossing the tracks	10 demerits
Check the right outside mirror(s) before crossing the tracks	10 demerits
Check the inside rearview mirror before crossing the tracks	10 demerits
Close the entrance door before moving the bus	50 demerits
Clear the back of the bus by at least 5 meters from the nearest rail after crossing the tracks.	50 demerits

Railroad Crossing Layout and Directions:

Set up Tools for RXR

- RR Crossing Sign marker
- One 100ft tape measure
- Chalk to mark the 5-15m
- Rope or other material for tracks



Railway Crossing Score Sheet

Contestant # _____ Event Judge(s): _____

Maximum Score:	50 points
Demerits:	- _____
Score Earned:	= _____

Approach the Railroad Crossing:

FAILURE TO::

Demerits

- | | |
|--|---------------------|
| Complete the event | (50 demerits) _____ |
| Drive with headlights on or not wearing seatbelt | (50 demerits) _____ |
| Shut off noise (fans, heaters, students to be quiet) | (25 demerits) _____ |
| Stop between 15 and 50 feet (5-15m) from nearest rail | (50 demerits) _____ |
| Secure the bus | (50 demerits) _____ |
| Open door and window at Railroad crossing | (50 demerits) _____ |
| Check the tracks in both directions and ensure it is safe to cross | (50 demerits) _____ |
| Check left outside mirror(s) before crossing the tracks | (10 demerits) _____ |
| Check right outside mirror(s) before crossing the tracks | (10 demerits) _____ |
| Check inside rearview mirror before crossing the tracks | (10 demerits) _____ |
| Close entrance door before moving bus | (50 demerits) _____ |
| Clear back of bus by at least 15 feet (5m) from the nearest rail after crossing the tracks | (50 demerits) _____ |

Right Turn Event

Maximum Score: 50 points

Purpose of the event:

This event is designed to determine the driver's ability to properly prepare for, and execute a right turn.

Instructions:

A sign indicating "right turn" will be placed approx 150 feet from the beginning of the turn. A lane will be provided in which the driver will make the approach to the corner. The lane is marked on the right with a curb line 50 feet long. The driver will approach the corner giving the correct directional signal at least 100 feet from the turn, as required by law. Each contestant shall continue to steer the bus in a straight line until ready to execute the turn. The point at which the turn begins is determined by the driver's ability to judge a predetermined relationship with the corner (turning point). When this point is reached, the bus should be steered to the right. When properly executed, this method of turning right will cause the bus to safely complete the right turn. The bus may not be stopped during this event.

This is a timed event. The contestant will be allowed 15 seconds to complete the event. The time will start when the right rear tire enters or passes the front edge of the entry scoring template, and will end when the right rear tire leaves or passes the rear edge of the recovery scoring template.

Scoring:

Scoring will be based on the method in which the driver enters and recovers from the turn. For scoring purposes, **the outer edge of the right outside tire tread will be used.** The right rear outside tire must pass through the entire scoring template at the beginning and completion of the turn. The highest value of demerits will be given based on the tires travel through the entire template. Should the tire enter or leave off the inner or outer side of the template at any time it is to be considered off the template.

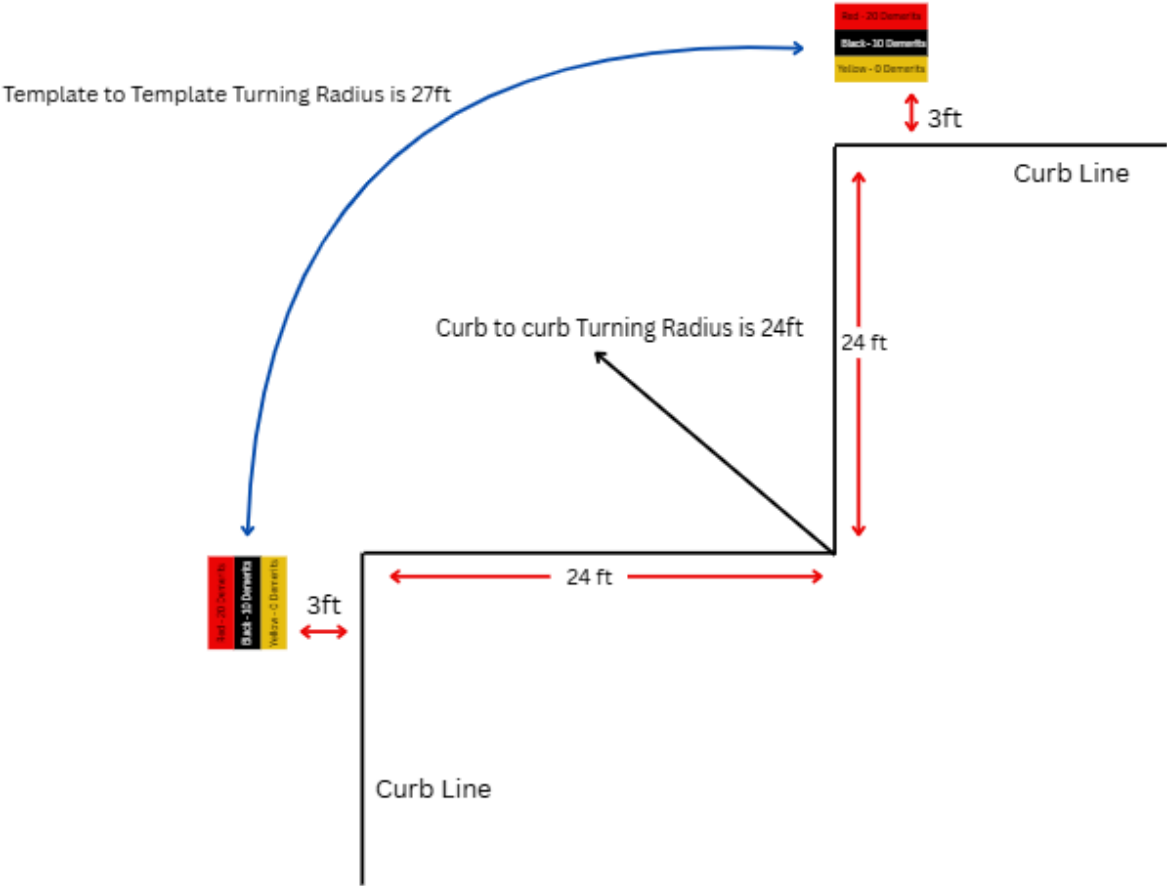
There is a maximum of 25 demerits per scoring template.

Measuring from the curbside of each template, the following demerits shall be charged depending on the travel path of the scored tire through the entire template.

Red - 20 Demerits	Yellow	0" to 6"	(0 demerits)
Black - 10 Demerits	Black	6" to 9"	(10 demerits)
Yellow - 0 Demerits	Red	9" to 12"	(20 demerits)
	Off template		(25 demerits)

Failure to properly activate the right directional signal	(10 demerits)
Failure to cancel right directional signal	(10 demerits)
Each instance of stopping the bus	(5 demerits)
Tire touches the curb line at any time	(50 demerits)
Backing during event	(50 demerits)
Failure to complete the turn in 15 seconds	(50 demerits)
Failure to keep the door closed during the event	(50 demerits)

Right Turn Layout & Directions



Right Turn Event Score Sheet

Contestant # _____ Event Judge(s): _____

Maximum Score:	50 points
Demerits:	- _____
Score Earned:	= _____

Entering and Recovering from Right turn:

This will be a timed event. The contestant will be allowed 15 seconds.

The time will start then the right rear outside tire enters or passes the front edge of the entry score template and will end when the right rear outside tire leaves or passes the rear edge of the recovery scoring template.

Scoring:

Based on the method in which the driver enters and recovers from the turn. For scoring purposes, the outer edge of the right outside tire tread will be used. The right rear outside tire must pass through the entire scoring template at the beginning and completion of the turn.

Direction of travel →



Tire travel through entire scoring template

Off of Template		(25 demerits)	_____
Red	9" to 12"	(20 demerits)	_____
Black	6" to 9"	(10 demerits)	_____
Yellow	0" to 6"	(0 demerits)	_____

Recovering from Turn:

For scoring purposes, the outer edge of the tire's tread will be used. The right rear outside tire must pass through the entire scoring template at the beginning and completion of the turn.

Direction of travel ↑



Tire travel through entire scoring template

Off of Template		(25 demerits)	_____
Red	9" to 12"	(20 demerits)	_____
Black	6" to 9"	(10 demerits)	_____
Yellow	0" to 6"	(0 demerits)	_____

Each instance of stopping		
(5) (5) (5) (5) (5) - Max 25 demerits	(5 demerits)	_____
Back up during the event	(50 demerits)	_____
Any tire tread touches the curb line	(50 demerits)	_____

Failure to: Activate the right directional signal	(10 demerits)	_____
Cancel right directional signal	(10 demerits)	_____
Drive with headlights on	(50 demerits)	_____
Wear seatbelt	(50 demerits)	_____
Keep door closed during the event	(50 demerits)	_____
Complete event within the 15 second time limit	(50 demerits)	_____

Actual Time: _____ / _____ (Minutes/Seconds)

Straight Line Event

Maximum Score: 50 Points

Purpose of the Event:

To determine the ability to maneuver the right wheels of a school bus over a straight path of a given width.

Instructions:

The right wheels of the bus must travel the indicated path without striking or moving the markers with any wheels. The bus must be operated in a continuous forward motion. The distance between the markers is the width of the rear duals plus three (3) inches. Measure all right side dual widths. The distance between each set of Tennis Balls is 25 ft with 4 sets of balls.

Scoring:

For each instance of jerky or uneven movement of the bus
For each instance of stopping forward motion of bus
For each instance where wheel touches or knocks a tennis ball off
Drives on either side of pair of tennis ball markers
Failure to complete event
Failure to wear seatbelt
Failure to have the door closed during the event
Backing up during the event
Failure to drive with headlights on

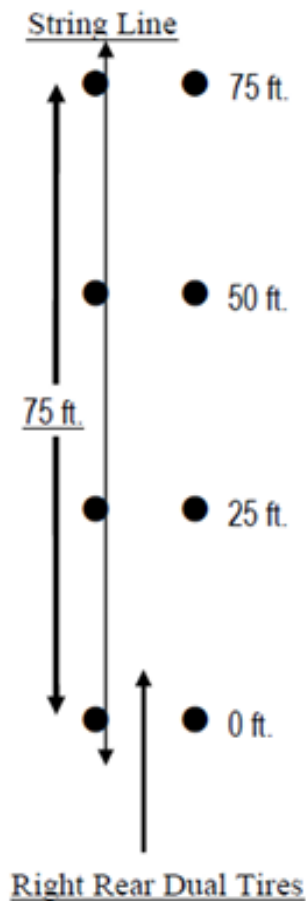
Demerits

2 demerits (Max 20)
4 demerits (Max 20)
5 demerits (Max 50)
10 demerits (Max 50)
50 demerits
50 demerits
50 demerits
50 demerits
50 demerits



Straight Line Layout and Directions

1. Measure a 75ft straight line with string.
2. Mark the line in intervals of 25 ft with crayon or chalk
3. Place a set of tennis balls on holders every 25ft. Set the base of the ball holder on the **outside** edge of the string line.
4. Secure the measurement of the right rear duals of all vehicles used in the competition. The measurement shall be from bulge to bulge. Tire sizes must be the same type if more than one vehicle type is used.
5. Use the measurement of the duals **plus 3 inches** to determine distance between balls.
6. Measure the alignment of the tennis balls from the inside edge of the tennis ball to the inside edge of the other tennis ball.
7. Make a visual check to be sure that there is a perfect straight line with the 4 sets of tennis balls.
8. Mark the location of the tennis ball holders with crayon or chalk.



Setup Tools for Straight line

- Heavy duty claw hammer
- 1 ½ inch masonry nails (one box)
- One 12 ft tape measure
- One 100 ft tape measure
- One 1000 ft roll of nylon string
- One box of yellow marker crayons
- Carpenter's square
- Ten tennis balls
- Ten tennis ball holders
- Other

Straight Line Score Sheet

Contestant # _____ Event Judge(s): _____

Maximum Score:	50 points
Demerits:	- _____
Score Earned:	= _____

Each instance of jerky or uneven movement of the bus
 (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) Maximum 20 demerits (2 demerits) _____

Each instance of stopping forward motion
 (4) (4) (4) (4) (4) Maximum of 20 demerits (4 demerits) _____

Each instance where wheel touches or knocks tennis ball off
 (5) (5) (5) (5) (5) (5) (5) (5) (5) (5) Maximum 50 demerits (5 demerits) _____

Drives to either side of pair of tennis ball markers
 (10) (10) (10) (10) (10) Maximum 50 demerits (10 demerits) _____

Failure to:
 Complete the event (50 demerits) _____

Wear seat belt (50 demerits) _____

Keep door closed during the event (50 demerits) _____

To drive with headlights on (50 demerits) _____

Backing up during the event (50 demerits) _____

Circle which tennis balls were touched or knocked off:



Diminishing Clearance Event

Maximum Score: 50 Points

Purpose of the event:

The contestant is required to drive the bus in a straight line with diminishing clearances while driving in a smooth and continuous manner.

Instructions:

For the purpose of conducting this test, five pairs of parallel standards are set up. Each pair of standards, however, is parallel to the next. The distance between each pair of standards is 25 feet. The width of each pair varies as follows:

First pair of standards	Width of the bus plus 10 inches
Second pair of standards	Width of the bus plus 8 inches
Third pair of standards	Width of the bus plus 6 inches
Fourth pair of standards	Width of the bus plus 4 inches
Fifth pair of standards	Width of the bus plus 2 inches

Note: The measurement is from flag tip to flag tip. The alley is set up to allow for the course to diminish equally on both sides.

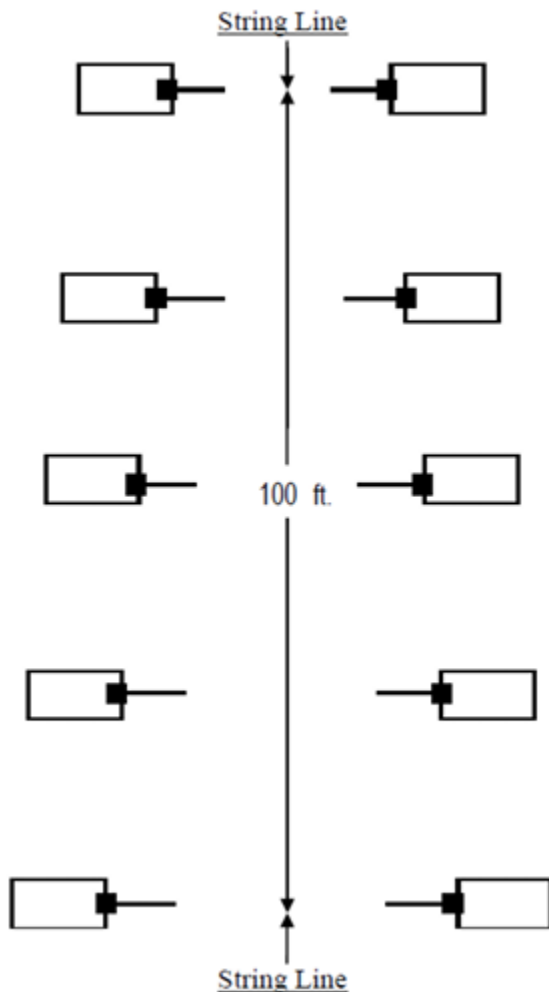
Scoring:

Contestants will be scored on the following:

Each instance of jerky or uneven movement (Max of 10)	(2 demerits)
Each instance of stopping forward movement of the bus (Max 20)	(4 demerits)
Each instance of bus touching flag tips (Max 50)	(10 demerits)
Striking standard with the bus	(50 demerits)
Failure to complete the event	(50 demerits)
Failure to wear seat belt	(50 demerits)
Backing up during the event	(50 demerits)
Keep door closed during event	(50 demerits)
Failure to drive with headlights on	(50 demerits)

Diminishing Clearance Layout and Directions

1. Measure a distance of 100 feet
2. Mark the measurement at 25 foot intervals
3. Place a straight line down with string. Stretch tight
4. Secure width of buses to be used in the competition. Consider rub rails, rubber around tire wells or any other object that will hit the standards such as mirror brackets, etc.
5. Determine the measurement to be used at each diminishing clearance standard
6. Measure from the center line out to the end of the flag or standard on each side to equal the total measurement. To make sure the measurement is correct, use plumb bob from tip of flag to ground where measurement was made.
7. Do a visual check to make sure that you have a diminishing alley from the perspective of the contestant entering the offset.
8. Mark bases of the standards with crayons or chalk.



Setup Tools for Diminishing Clearance

- Heavy duty claw hammer
- 1 ½ inch masonry nails (one box)
- One 50 ft tape measure
- One 100 ft tape measure
- One 1000 ft roll of nylon string
- One box of yellow marker crayons
- Carpenter's Square
- Plumb bob
- 10 diminishing clearance standards with flag arms (36' high minimum)
- Other

1st pair of standards	Width of the bus plus 10 inches
2nd pair of standards	Width of the bus plus 8 inches
3rd pair of standards	Width of the bus plus 6 inches
4th pair of standards	Width of the bus plus 4 inches
5th pair of standards	Width of the bus plus 2 inches

Diminishing Clearance Event Score Sheet

Contestant # _____ Event Judge(s): _____

Maximum Score:	50 points
Demerits:	- _____
Score Earned:	= _____

Each instance of jerky or uneven movement
 (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) Max 10 demerits (2 demerits) _____

Each instance of stopping forward movement of the bus
 (4) (4) (4) (4) Max 20 demerits (4 demerits) _____

Each instance of bus touching flag tips
 (10) (10) (10) (10) (10) Max 50 demerits (10 demerits) _____

Striking standard with the bus (50 demerits) _____

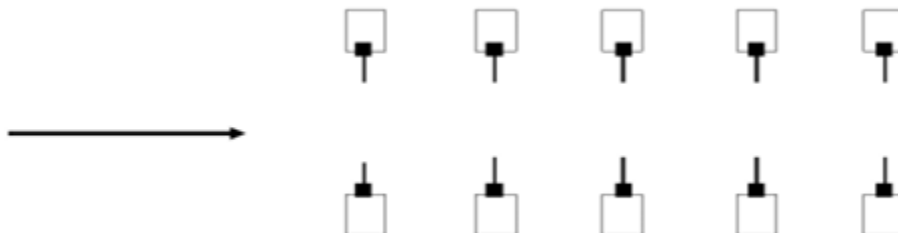
Backing up during the event (50 demerits) _____

Failure to:
 Complete the event (50 demerits) _____

Wear seat belt (50 demerits) _____

Keep door closed during event (50 demerits) _____

Drive with headlights on (50 demerits) _____



Back Up Stall Event

Maximum score: 50 points

Purpose of this event:

This test is designed to evaluate the driver's ability to back the bus into a stall. A stall the width of the bus plus 2 feet is provided into which the driver must back their bus into without touching the upright standards and without crossing over the stall limit lines. Depth perception is tested by penalizing the driver for backing up too close to the rear barrier, or parking the bus too far from the rear barrier, or not having the bus centered in the stall (front and rear).

Instructions:

Two parallel yellow ropes on the ground the width of the bus plus two (2) feet identify each stall. Each front corner of the stall will be marked by upright standards that will not interfere with the backing of the bus. In order to limit the driver's maneuvering room, a front wheel limitation line will be placed on the ground perpendicular to the parallel stall lines. The distance from the front stall standards to the wheel limitation line will be as follows:

Type C - Conventional	Length of the bus plus 4 feet
Type A - Small Bus	Length of the bus plus 4 feet (mirror brackets must be higher than 48")

The approach to the back-up stall will be made from the right side only. A three minute time limit starts when the front bumper passes the first upright standard. The bus must be parked in the stall, with the parking brake set, and the horn sounded, within the three-minute time limit. Each contestant will be permitted one back-up correction after the original back-up, before demerits are charged for excessive backing.

Upon completion of this event, the bus should be parked as near to the center of the stall as possible. Centering of the bus in the stall will be determined by the relationship of the center of the front and rear bumpers to the center of the stall, but with only the farthest distance off center (front or back) being used to compute demerits.

There will be a one-foot free zone four to five feet in front of the rear barriers in the center of the stall and demerits will be charged if the bus is parked ahead or behind the free zone. After the bus is measured, the contestant will exit the stall between the upright standards.

Scoring:

Tire tread touches the wheel limitation line	(50 demerits)
Bus touches the front upright standards	(50 demerits)
Tire touches the stall sidelines	(50 demerits)
Touching the rear barrier	(50 demerits)

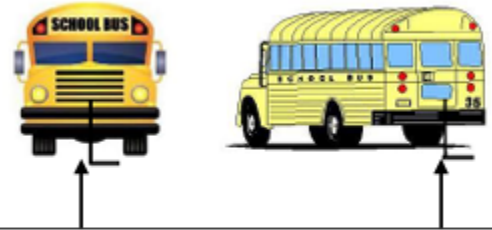
Failure to park the bus, set parking brake and sound the horn within the 3 minute time limit	(50 demerits)
Failure to pull out between the upright standards	(50 demerits)
Failure to keep door closed	(50 demerits)
Failure to wear a seat belt	(50 demerits)
Failure to drive with headlights on	(50 demerits)

Failure to complete the event	(50 demerits)
Per instance of forward motion after the first back up and correction (Max 42)	(6 demerits)
Bus parked more than 1 inch off center line front or rear (greatest only)	(2 demerits)
Bus parked forward of 1' free zone and each 6" or fraction thereof, not to exceed 50 demerits	(5 demerits)
Bus parked behind 1' free zone and each 6" or fraction thereof, not to exceed 50 demerits	(10 demerits)

Back Up Stall Layout & Directions

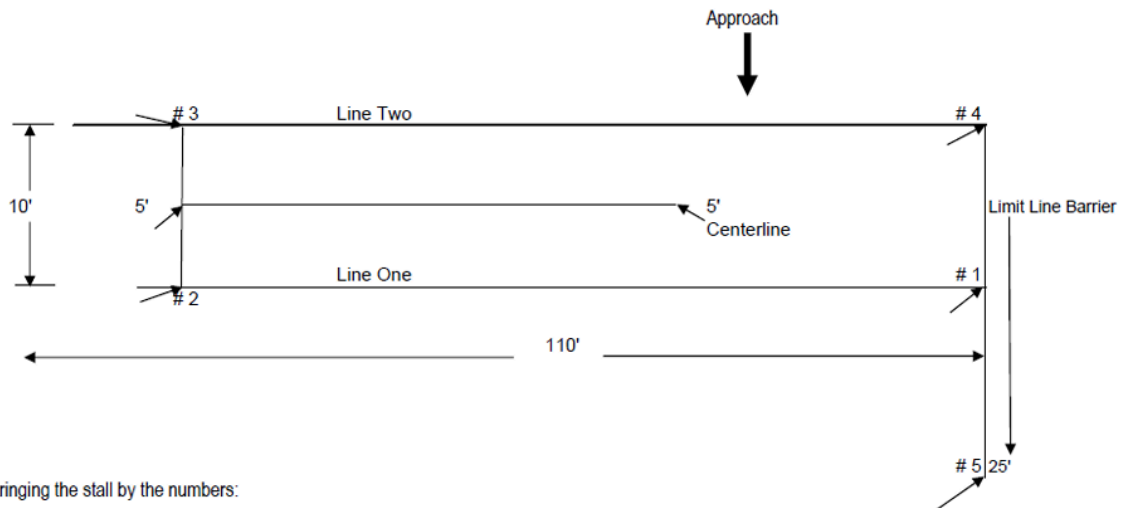
Set up Tools for Backup Stall

- Heavy duty claw hammer
- 1 ½ inch masonry nails (one box)
- One 30 ft tape measure
- One 100 ft tape measure
- Two 1000 ft. roll of nylon string
- One box of yellow marker crayons
- One roll of duct tape (Silver or Black)
- Carpenter's Square
- Four 100' lengths of 5/8 inch curb line yellow rope
- Two 25' lengths 5/8 inch limit line yellow rope
- Two backup stall equipment setups
- Two timer clocks
- Other



Measure from the center of the front and rear bumper only.
(DO NOT MEASURE FROM THE CROSSING CONTROL ARM.)

Back-Up Stall - 10 Foot Wide Right Side of Bus Approach



Note: Stringing the stall by the numbers:

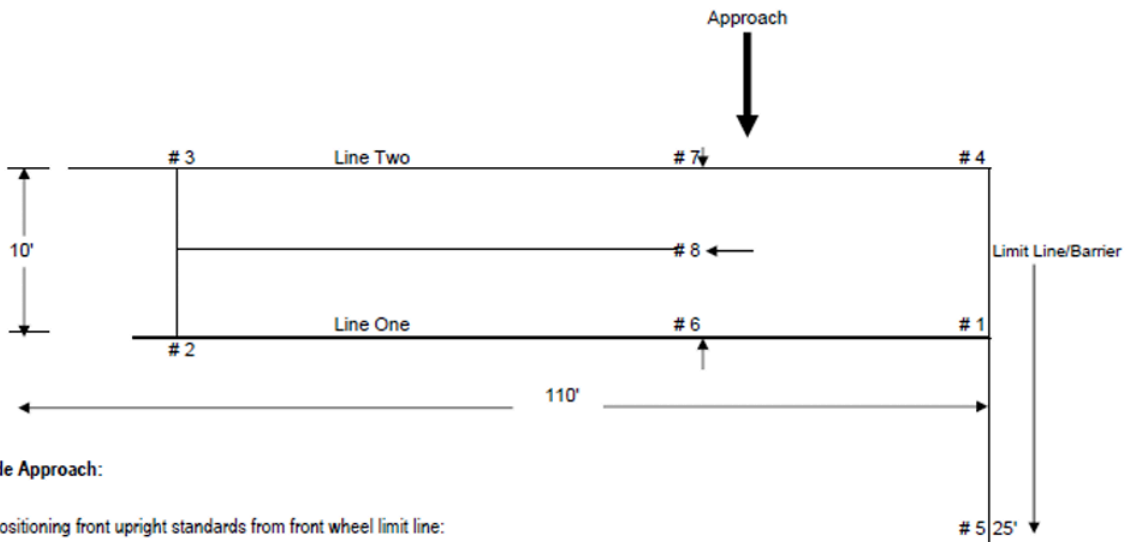
Nail #1 - Stall layout string point

Nail #2 - Stretch the string 100' and nail #2

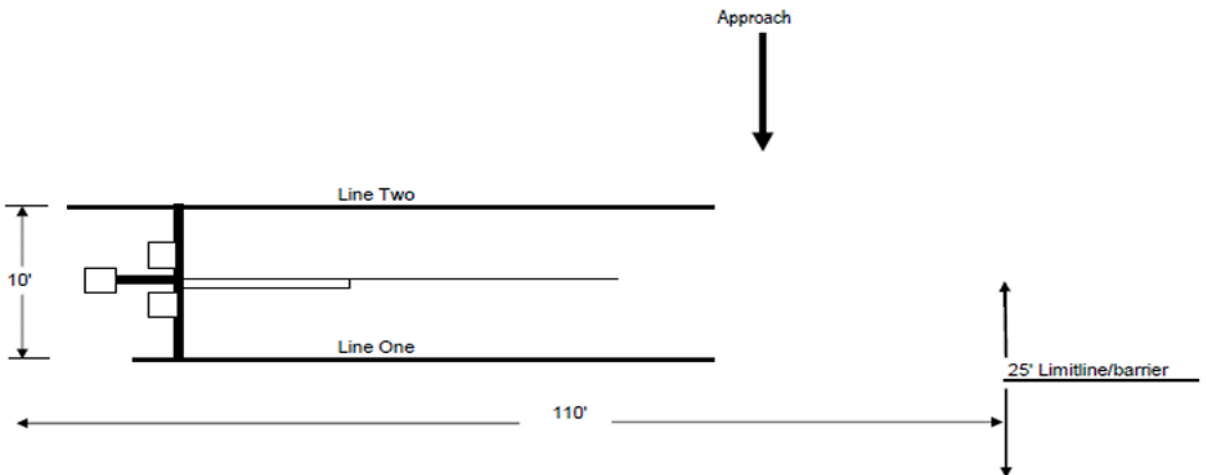
Nail #3 - Measure 10' across, using a 90 degree carpenters square, square the stall using the sting and tape measure between #2 and #3, when squared, nail #3. Measure 5' and place nail in center of stall

Nail #4 - Stretch the string 100', square the stall using the string between #1 and #2, measure 10' and square the stall, nail #4

Nail #5 - Stretch the string 35' aligning with the outside edge of #1, nail and tie off.



- Mark #6 - Measure from #1 using the length of the shortest bus plus 1' to 4' depending on the bus type and place #6
- Mark #7 - Measure from #4 using the length of the shortest bus plus 1' to 4' depending on the bus type and place #7
- Nail #8 - Measure from the outside edge of #6 to the outside edge of #7. Nail #8 at the center of the stall.



Back Up Stall Event Score Sheet

Contestant # _____ Event Judge(s): _____

Maximum Score:	50 points
Demerits:	- _____
Score Earned:	= _____

Tire tread touches the wheel limitation line (50 demerits) _____

Bus touches the front upright standards (50 demerits) _____

Tire tread touches the stall sideline (50 demerits) _____

Bus extends into or over rear barrier (50 demerits) _____

Failure to pull out between the front upright standards (50 demerits) _____

Failure to park bus, set the parking brake and sound horn within three (3) minute time limit (Time starts when front bumper passes upright standard) (50 demerits) _____

Each instance of forward motion after the first back up (0) (6) (12) (18) (24) (30) (36) (42) Max 42 demerits (6 demerits) _____

Bus parked more than 1 inch off of center line, each inch or fraction thereof (front and/or rear - greatest only) (2) (4) (6) (8) (10) (12) (14) Max of 14 demerits (2 demerits) _____

Forward of the one foot free zone - 5 demerits for each 6" or fraction thereof (5) (10) (15) (20) (25) (30) (35) (40) (45) (50) Max 50 demerits (5 demerits) _____

Bus parked behind one foot free zone - 10 demerits for each 6" Or fraction thereof (10) (20) (30) (40) (50) Max 50 demerits (10 demerits) _____

Failure to:
Complete event (50 demerits) _____

Wear seatbelt (50 demerits) _____

Keep door closed during event (50 demerits) _____

Drive with headlights on (50 demerits) _____

Actual Time: _____ / _____ (Minutes/Seconds)

Left Turn Event

Maximum Score: 50 points

Purpose of the event:

This event is designed to determine the driver's ability to properly prepare for, and execute a left turn.

Instructions:

A sign indicating "left turn" will be placed approx 150 feet from the beginning of the turn. A lane will be provided in which the driver will make the approach to the corner. The lane is marked on the left with a curb line 50 feet long. The driver will approach the corner giving the correct directional signal at least 100 feet from the turn, as required by law. Each contestant shall continue to steer the bus in a straight line until ready to execute the turn. The point at which the turn begins is determined by the driver's ability to judge a predetermined relationship with the corner (turning point). When this point is reached, the bus should be steered to the left. When properly executed, this method of turning left will cause the bus to safely complete the left turn. The bus may not be stopped during this event.

This is a timed event. The contestant will be allowed 15 seconds to complete the event. The time will start when the left rear tire enters or passes the front edge of the entry scoring template, and will end when the left rear tire leaves or passes the rear edge of the recovery scoring template.

Scoring:

Scoring will be based on the method in which the driver enters and recovers from the turn. For scoring purposes, **the outer edge of the left outside tire tread will be used.** The left rear outside tire must pass through the entire scoring template at the beginning and completion of the turn. The highest value of demerits will be given based on the tires travel through the entire template. Should the tire enter or leave off the inner or outer side of the template at any time it is to be considered off the template. There is a maximum of 25 demerits per scoring template.

Measuring from the curbside of each template, the following demerits shall be charged depending on the travel path of the scored tire through the entire template.



Yellow	0" to 6"	(0 demerits)
Black	6" to 9"	(10 demerits)
Red	9" to 12"	(20 demerits)
Off template		(25 demerits)

Failure to properly activate the left directional signal	(10 demerits)
Failure to cancel left directional signal	(10 demerits)
Each instance of stopping the bus	(5 demerits)
Tire touches the curb line at any time	(50 demerits)
Backing during event	(50 demerits)
Failure to complete the turn in 15 seconds	(50 demerits)
Failure to keep the door closed during the event	(50 demerits)

Left Turn Event Event Score Sheet

Contestant # _____ Event Judge(s): _____

Maximum Score:	50 points
Demerits:	- _____
Score Earned:	= _____

Entering and Recovering from left turn:

This will be a timed event. The contestant will be allowed 15 seconds. The time will start then the left rear outside tire enters or passes the front edge of the entry score template and will end when the left rear outside tire leaves or passes the rear edge of the recovery scoring template.

Scoring:

Based on the method in which the driver enters and recovers from the turn. For scoring purposes, the outer edge of the left outside tire tread will be used. The left rear outside tire must pass through the entire scoring template at the beginning and completion of the turn.

Direction of travel →



Tire travel through entire scoring template

Off of Template		(25 demerits)	_____
Red	9" to 12"	(20 demerits)	_____
Black	6" to 9"	(10 demerits)	_____
Yellow	0" to 6"	(0 demerits)	_____

Recovering from Turn:

For scoring purposes, the outer edge of the tire's tread will be used. The right rear outside tire must pass through the entire scoring template at the beginning and completion of the turn.

Direction of travel ↑



Tire travel through entire scoring template

Off of Template		(25 demerits)	_____
Red	9" to 12"	(20 demerits)	_____
Black	6" to 9"	(10 demerits)	_____
Yellow	0" to 6"	(0 demerits)	_____

Each instance of stopping		
(5) (5) (5) (5) (5) - Max 25 demerits	(5 demerits)	_____
Back up during the event	(50 demerits)	_____
Any tire tread touches the curb line	(50 demerits)	_____

Failure to: Activate the left directional signal	(10 demerits)	_____
Cancel left directional signal	(10 demerits)	_____
Drive with headlights on	(50 demerits)	_____
Wear seatbelt	(50 demerits)	_____
Keep door closed during the event	(50 demerits)	_____
Complete event within the 15 second time limit	(50 demerits)	_____

Actual Time: _____ / _____ (Minutes/Seconds)

Parallel Parking Event

Maximum Score: 50 points

Purpose of the event: This event is designed to evaluate the contestant's ability to park the bus parallel to a curb without touching barriers placed at both ends of the parking area, without touching the curb and within 18 inches of the curb. It is also designed to judge the contestants ability to drive the bus out of the parking area without touching the barriers or the curb.

Instructions: A section of rope will represent the curb, unless a natural curb is available. Two barriers will be set at right angles to the curb line, extending out eight (8) feet from the curb. The distance between the two barriers will be:

1. Transit: the length of the bus plus 6 feet.
2. Conventional and Type A (mirror brackets **over** 48"): the length of the bus plus 7 feet.
3. Type A (mirror brackets **under** 48"): length of the bus plus 8 feet.

A measurement will be made to determine how close the bus is parked to the curb line, and for determining the number of demerits to be charged. This is a timed event. The contestant is allowed three (3) minutes from the time the front bumper of the bus passes the rear barrier of approach. The contestant must have the bus parked, set the parking brake and sound the horn within the three (3) minute limit.

Backing in: The contestant will be permitted to back up twice before demerits are charged.

Pulling out: The contestant will be permitted to back up twice before demerits are charged.

Scoring: Scoring will be based on the method in which the driver enters and exits a stall.

Failure to park the bus, set the parking brake and sound the	
Horn within the three (3) minute time limit	50 demerits
Bus touching front or rear barrier at anytime	50 demerits
Failure to wear seat belt	50 demerits
Keep the door closed during event	50 demerits
Failure to drive with headlights on	50 demerits
Failure to complete event	50 demerits

Score for Backing In:

Failure to use right turn signal before entering	50 demerits
Tire tread touches curb line	50 demerits
For each instance of backing more than twice (not to exceed 25 demerits)	5 demerits

Scoring for Zones parallel to curb:

Zone 1	0" to 3" from curb	0 demerits
Zone 2	3" to 6" from curb	3 demerits
Zone 3	6" to 9" from curb	6 demerits
Zone 4	9" to 12" from curb	9 demerits
Zone 5	12" to 15" from curb	12 demerits
Zone 6	15" to 18" from curb	15 demerits
Over 18" from the curb		50 demerits

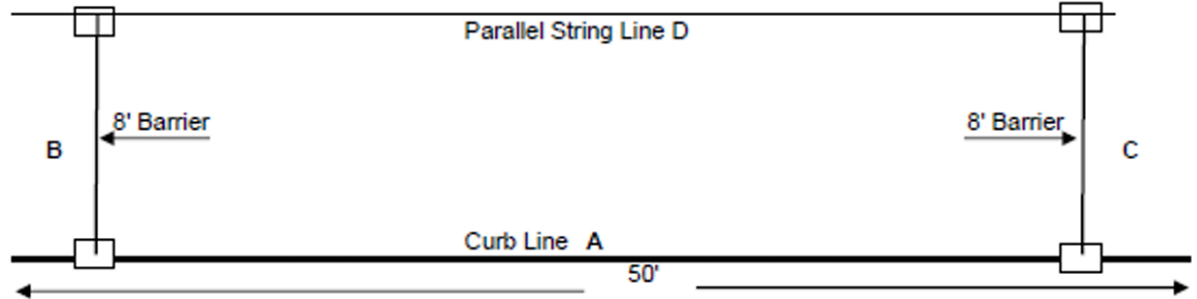
Scoring for Pulling Out:

Failure to use left turn signal	50 demerits
Each instance for backing more than twice (not to exceed 25 demerits)	5 demerits
Tire tread touches curb line	50 demerits
Failure to cancel directional signal	10 demerits

Parallel Parking Layout & Directions

Setup Tools for Parallel Parking Stall

- Heavy-duty claw hammer
- 1½ inch masonry nails (one box)
- One 12 ft. tape measure
- One 50 ft. tape measure
- One 1000 ft. roll of nylon string
- One box of yellow marker crayons
- Carpenter's Square
- 50' of 5/8 inch curb line yellow rope
- Other



Directions:

1. Layout the 50' rope line "A"
2. Align the outside edge of the 8' barriers "B" & "C" on curb line "A" at a 90 degree angle
3. Layout a parallel string line "D", 8' from the curb line "A" at a 90 degree angle to barrier B and C
4. Measure and mark along curb line "A" and parallel line "D" to appropriate stall lengths

Settings for bus stall lengths:

Conventional Bus	Length of the bus plus 7'
Type A Bus	Length of the bus plus 8'

5. Move barrier "B" as necessary for appropriate bus length

Parallel Parking Event Score Sheet

Contestant # _____ Event Judge(s): _____

Maximum Score:	50 points
Demerits:	- _____
Score Earned:	= _____

Entering the Parking Zone:

Each instance of backing the bus and charge

5 demerits each instance over two backs.

(0) (0) (5) (10) (15) (20) (25) Max 25 demerits

(5 demerits) _____

Bus touches any barrier

(50 demerits) _____

Tire tread touches the curb line

(50 demerits) _____

Parking Zone Scoring Parallel to Curb:

Zone 1 0" to 3" (0 demerits) _____

Zone 2 3" to 6" (3 demerits) _____

Zone 3 6" to 9" (6 demerits) _____

Zone 4 9" to 12" (9 demerits) _____

Zone 5 12" to 15" (12 demerits) _____

Zone 6 15" to 18" (15 demerits) _____

Bus parked over 18" from curb (50 demerits) _____

Exiting the Parking Zone:

Each instance for backing more than twice

(0) (0) (5) (10) (15) (20) (25) Max 25 demerits

(5 demerits) _____

Bus touches any barrier (50 demerits) _____

Tire tread touches curb line (50 demerits) _____

Failure to:

Park the bus, set the park brake and sound horn

within the three (3) minute time limit

(50 demerits) _____

Drive with the headlights on (50 demerits) _____

Wear seat belt (50 demerits) _____

Keep door closed during event (50 demerits) _____

Activate directional signal (entering/exiting) (50 demerits) _____

Cancel directional signal (10 demerits) _____

Actual Time: _____ / _____ (Minutes/Seconds)

Student Loading Event

Maximum Score: 50 points

Purpose of the event:

Loading of elementary students can be one of the most life threatening maneuvers a school bus driver performs. This test is designed to evaluate the driver's alertness to the loading of students and to determine their ability to remember and perform several other important functions incidental to such loading. Such items include proper use of all mirrors, directional signals, alternately flashing amber and red lights and the stop arm.

Instructions:

A rope to represent the edge of the roadway or curb will mark the loading area. For loading passengers the contestant will pull into the loading area. The contestant will utilize the alternately flashing amber lights prior to entering the loading zone. The contestant will then use the alternately flashing red lights and stop arm when stopped to load students.

During the maneuver the contestant will be judged for mirror use before and after the stop, proper use of lights, smooth stopping, lane position while stopped, transmission in neutral with parking brake set before the door is opened. The contestant must stop at least 10 feet back from the student, but not more than 15 feet, and **out** at least 6 feet away from the student.

Scoring:

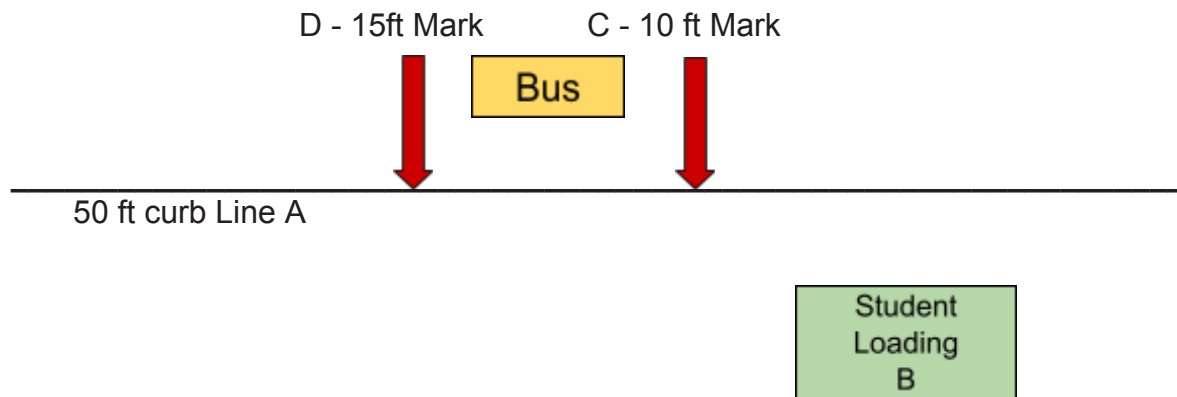
Failure to wear seat belt	50 demerits
Failure to complete event	50 demerits
Backing up the bus during event	50 demerits
Failure to place bus in neutral/park and set parking brake before door is opened	50 demerits
Failure to activate yellow lights	50 demerits
Failure to activate red crossover lights	50 demerits
Failure to deactivate red crossover lights	50 demerits
Failure to drive with headlights on	50 demerits
Failure to properly use turn signals on entry and exit	50 demerits
Failure to perform proper mirror checks on entry (5 points for each mirror)	25 demerits
Failure to keep door closed in motion	25 demerits
Failure to perform mirror check after stop and before moving	25 demerits
Bus stopped closer than 10 feet from student (back from student)	10 demerits
Bus parked more than 15 feet from back from student	10 demerits
Bus stopped closer than 6 feet away from student	10 demerits

Student Loading Layout & Directions

Setup Tools

- Heavy duty claw hammer
- 1 ½ inch masonry nails (one box)
- One 100 ft tape measure
- One box of yellow marker crayons or chalk
- 50 ft of ½ inch curb line yellow rope
- Student sign
- Other

1. Layout a 50 ft curb line rope "A". This will represent the right side of the roadway.
2. Place the Student sign "B": near the end of and behind the curb line or edge of the roadway.
3. Mark where the Student sign is to be located with crayons or chalk.
4. Make a small mark "C" 10 ft from the Student Sign, this will represent the closest the bus can stop from the student.
5. Make a small mark "D" 15 ft from the Student Sign which indicates the bus is further than 15 ft away from the student.



Student Loading Event Score Sheet

Contestant # _____ Event Judge(s): _____

Maximum Score:	50 points
Demerits:	- _____
Score Earned:	= _____

- Failure to perform proper mirror checks (5 point) on entry (25 demerits) _____
- Failure to properly use turn signals on entry and exit Of loading zone (50 demerits) _____
- Failure to activate Alternately Flashing Amber lights (50 demerits) _____
- Failure to wear seat belt (50 demerits) _____
- Failure to complete event (50 demerits) _____
- Backing the bus during event (50 demerits) _____
- Failure to drive with headlights on (50 demerits) _____
- Keep the door closed while in motion (50 demerits) _____
- Jerky or sudden stops (10 demerits) _____
- Bus stops closer than 10 ft back from student (10 demerits) _____
- Bus stops more than 15 ft back from student (10 demerits) _____
- Bus stops closer than 6 ft away from the student (10 demerits) _____
- Failure to set park brake, place bus in neutral before opens door (50 demerits) _____
- Failure to activate Alternately Flashing Red lights/stop arm (50 demerits) _____
- Failure to deactivate Alternately Flashing Red lights if not automatically cancelled by closing door (50 demerits) _____
- Failure to perform proper 5-point mirror check leaving (50 demerits) _____

Curb Line Park Event

Maximum score: 50 points

Purpose of the event:

To test the skills of the driver to pull into a curb parking zone that has a limited distance.

Instructions:

The events will be set up to simulate a limited curb length between other parked vehicles. The loading area will be marked by two 8 ft barriers which will be spaced three (3) times the length of the bus. The contestant will have two (2) minutes from the time the front bumper of the bus passes the rear barrier until the bus is properly parked and the horn is sounded.

The contestant will be judged on use of right turn signal when pulling in and the left turn signal when pulling out. Proper use of mirrors will also be judged. The 5-point mirror check should be made. The contestant will be scored if the tire hits the curb line. A measurement will be made at the loading area to determine how close the bus is parked to the curb line. The contestant must place the bus in neutral, apply the park brake and sound the horn.

Scoring:

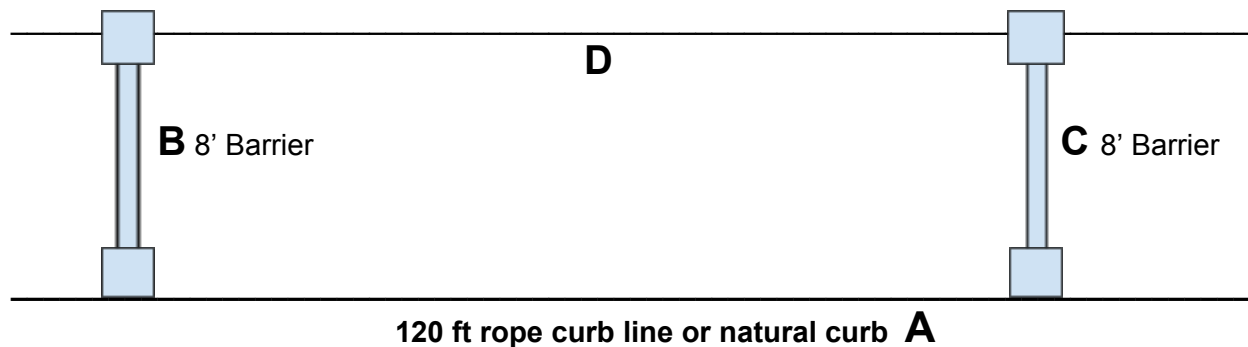
The contestant will be scored on the following items:

Failure to wear seat belt	50 demerits
Failure to complete event	50 demerits
Failure to keep the door closed during the event	50 demerits
Failure to drive with headlights on	50 demerits
Failure to place bus in neutral, apply park brake and sound horn within 2 minutes	50 demerits
Hits either front or back barrier	50 demerits
Hits the curb with tire tread	50 demerits
Furthest bus measurement form the curb - front and rear	
0" to 12"	0 demerits
12" to 18"	20 demerits
18" and over	50 demerits
Backing up in event	50 demerits
Failure to use right signal	10 demerits
Failure to cancel right signal	10 demerits
Failure to use left signal	10 demerits
Failure to cancel left signal	10 demerits

Curb Line Park Layout & Directions

Setup Tools for Curb Line Parking

- Heavy duty claw hammer
- 1 ½ inch masonry nails (one box)
- One 12 ft tape measure
- One 100 ft tape measure
- One 1000 ft roll of nylon string
- One box of yellow marker crayons
- Carpenter's square
- 120' of 5/8 inch curb line yellow rope
- Other



1. Layout the 120' rope curb line A
2. Align the outside edge of the 8' barriers B & C on curb line A at a 90 degree angle.
3. Layout a parallel string line D, 8' from curb line A at a 90 degree angle to barrier B and C
4. Measure and mark along curb line A and parallel line D the appropriate stall length

Settings for bus stall lengths:

Conventional Bus 3 times the length of bus
Type A Bus 3 times the length of bus

5. Move barrier B as necessary for appropriate bus length

Curb Line Park Score Sheet

Contestant # _____ Event Judge(s): _____

Maximum Score:	50 points
Demerits:	- _____
Score Earned:	= _____

- Hits either back or front barrier (50 demerits) _____
- Hits the curb with tire (50 demerits) _____
- Furthest measurement from curb - front and rear
 - 0" to 12" (00 demerits) _____
 - 12" to 18" (20 demerits) _____
 - 18" and over (50 demerits) _____
- Failure to use right turn signal before entry (10 demerits) _____
- Failure to perform 5-point mirror check before entry (25 demerits) _____
- Failure to cancel right turn signal (10 demerits) _____
- Failure to properly park the bus, apply park brake and sound horn within the 2 minute time limit (50 demerits) _____
- Failure to use left turn signal when leaving (10 demerits) _____
- Failure to perform 5-point mirror check on leaving (25 demerits) _____
- Failure to cancel left turn signal after event (10 demerits) _____
- Backing up during event (50 demerits) _____

- Failure to:
 - Wear seat belt (50 demerits) _____
 - Complete event (50 demerits) _____
 - Drive with headlights on (50 demerits) _____
 - Keep door closed during event (50 demerits) _____

Actual Time: _____ / _____ (Minutes/Seconds)

Stop Line Event

Maximum score: 25 points

Purpose of the event:

This event determines the contestant's depth perception, ability to use crossover mirrors and ability to bring the bus to a smooth complete stop.

Instructions:

A yellow $\frac{5}{8}$ inch rope stop limit line six (6) feet long is laid out. The contestant should bring the bus to a complete stop as close to the stop limit line as possible. Only one stop will be allowed. The stop limit line may be in sequence with another event, such as the right turn or the railroad crossing. The contestant will sound the horn after the stop is made and the vehicle has been placed in neutral gear and the park brake is set.

Scoring:

Measurement for scoring the stop line will be taken from the front surface of the bumper to the edge of the line closest to the bus. Measurement will be taken any place on the bumper that is the closest to the line. The bus must stop two (2) inches or less from the stop limit line to avoid demerits being given.

0" to 2"	0 demerits
2" to 4"	3 demerits
4" to 6"	6 demerits
6" to 8"	9 demerits
8" to 10"	12 demerits
10" to 12"	15 demerits
12" to 14"	18 demerits
14" to 16"	21 demerits
Over 16"	25 demerits
Stops with bumper beyond line	25 demerits
Failure to complete event	25 demerits
Backs up during event	25 demerits
Failure to wear seat belt	25 demerits
Failure to keep door closed	25 demerits
Failure to drive with headlights on	25 demerits
Stops more than once	25 demerits

Stop Line Layout & Directions

1. Determine location of stop. Make sure that it does not line up with any ground reference that could be used as a marker.
2. Place a 6 ft stop line on the location determined.
3. Place a stop sign on a standard to the right of the line, but not in a location that can be used as a marker or ground reference.

Setup Tools for Stop Line

- Heavy duty claw hammer
- 1 ½ inch masonry nails (one box)
- One 12 ft tape measure
- One box of yellow marker crayons

Stop Line Event Score Sheet

Contestant # _____ Event Judge(s): _____

Maximum Score:	25 points
Demerits:	- _____
Score Earned:	= _____

0" to 2"	(0 demerits) _____
2" to 4"	(3 demerits) _____
4" to 6"	(6 demerits) _____
6" to 8"	(9 demerits) _____
8" to 10"	(12 demerits) _____
10" to 12"	(15 demerits) _____
12" to 14"	(18 demerits) _____
14" to 16"	(21 demerits) _____
Over 16"	(25 demerits) _____
Stops with bumper beyond the stop line	(25 demerits) _____
Failure to complete event	(25 demerits) _____
Backs during event	(25 demerits) _____
Failure to wear seat belt	(25 demerits) _____
Failure to keep door closed	(25 demerits) _____
Failure to drive with headlights on	(25 demerits) _____
Stops more than once	(25 demerits) _____

Contestants and Judges

Information:

The Provincial Road-eo will be held at the AMTA (Alberta Motor Transport Association) location 3599 56 Ave E, Edmonton International Airport.

The breakfast, banquet and the awards presentation will be held at Holiday Inn & Suites Edmonton Airport and Conference Centre, Nisku, AB 1100-4 St Nisku, AB.

Lunch will be on site at AMTA.

Accommodations have been blocked at the Holiday Inn & Suites Edmonton Airport and Conference Centre, Nisku, AB with shuttle service to and from the Road-eo site.

Registration:

Please fill out the following 2026 Provincial School Bus Road-eo registration forms and judge and contestant sign up sheets and forward them to Kelli Pickett at astac.alberta@gmail.com

Note: The group hotel booking has been provided to the STAA and the Contractors Association. These organizations will distribute the group code via email.

2026 Provincial School Bus Road-eo Registration

Registration Form - **Deadline for full information is May 29, 2026**

(If your local road-eo is being held at a later date, indicate intent of registration here)

PLEASE PRINT

Company: _____ Location / Area: _____

Contact Person: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____

Contestant – Conventional (large) Bus

Contestant name: _____

Contestant name: _____

Contestant name: _____

Contestant – Type A (small) Bus

Contestant name: _____

Contestant name: _____

Contestant name: _____

Pg 2 - Company: _____ Location / Area: _____

Judges - Please print.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Name: _____ Email: _____

Name: _____ Email: _____

Name: _____ Email: _____

Attach list if you have additional judges.

Payment:

of contestants: _____ @ \$150 = _____ (breakfast, lunch & banquet/dance)

of judges: _____ @ \$75 = _____ (breakfast, lunch & banquet/dance)

Additional banquet tickets: _____ @ \$60 = _____ (incl banquet/dance)

Total: \$ _____

- Direct deposit is the preferred payment method. If you have not yet set this up or require information about alternative payment options please contact Kelli Pickett astac.alberta@gmail.com for further assistance.

Note...

The 2026 Provincial School Bus Road-go Committee has made the decision not to send competitors to the NSTA International Safety Competition for the 2026 year. Future participation is to be decided.

Contestant - Sign-up sheet

I am competing in Conventional (large) Bus _____ or Type A (small) Bus _____

This is my first Provincial School Bus Road-éo: Yes _____ No _____

I, _____ hereby agree to the following terms and conditions:

With respect to myself, my heirs and personal representatives, I release the 2026 ALBERTA PROVINCIAL ROAD-EO COMMITTEE and all of its officers or representatives from any liability and any right of action that might arise from any damage or injury which I may receive from attending or participating in the said Road-éo. The 2026 ALBERTA PROVINCIAL ROAD-EO COMMITTEE or its assigns shall have the right to use any information provided or photographs taken of me at or in connection with the Road-éo for whatever purpose, whether in advertising, promotion for exhibits. I will be bound by all orders, rules and regulations governing the 2026 Alberta Provincial Road-éo while participating in the said Road-éo. I understand that arguing with committee members at this event may result in my removal from this competition.

Contestant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Safety representative or transportation management authorization: I certify that the above bus operator has not had a preventable school bus accident in the twelve months preceding the Road-éo.

Name: _____ Signature: _____

Judge - Sign-up sheet

I, _____ hereby agree to the following terms and conditions:

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Judge Signature: _____ Date: _____

Email address: _____

Cell phone number (to be used for scoring app): _____

I have experience judging: Yes _____ No _____

If yes, what events: _____

Event preference: _____