WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT JOB DESCRIPTION

CLASS TITLE: BUS DRIVER Classification: Range 34

BASIC FUNCTION:

Operate a school bus to transport students safely and efficiently to and from school, field trips and special events using a designated route; participate in the routine cleaning and servicing of school buses.

REPRESENTATIVE DUTIES:

Individual positions may not perform all of the duties listed nor do these examples include all responsibilities of positions in this class.

Drive a school bus along a designated route, picking up and discharging students in accordance with established time schedules; observe legal and defensive driving practices; assure compliance with applicable traffic and student transportation laws, codes and regulations.

Maintain order and discipline among passengers on the bus and while waiting at bus stops in accordance with District policies related to disciplining students; escort students across streets.

Conduct daily safety inspection of bus; inspect the interior, exterior, brakes, belts, engine; report mechanical malfunctions or other problems as required.

Participate in the routine cleaning and servicing of school buses; fuel; check oil and fluid levels; clean windshield and headlamps; maintain bus in clean and safe operating condition.

Adhere to established policies and procedures related to the release of special education students to teachers and parents.

Transport students, faculty and parents on field trips or to other events, meeting scheduled departure and arrival times as assigned.

Determine appropriate action in potential or real medical emergency situations according to established guidelines; administer first aid as needed; conduct routine emergency evacuation drills as assigned.

Prepare and maintain records and reports related to vehicle operation and condition; maintain routine records of mileage and student counts, conduct reports and others as required.

Communicate with parents and teachers and resolve issues or concerns as needed.

Attend safety meetings and programs as assigned.

Perform related duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:

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Safe and defensive driving practices. Proper operation of school buses. Provisions of the California Vehicle Code and Education Code applicable to the operation of vehicles in transporting students. First aid procedures. Policies and procedures related to the release of special education students to teachers and parents. Basic record-keeping techniques. Interpersonal skills using tact, patience and courtesy. **ABILITY TO:** Drive a school bus safely and efficiently. Maintain bus in clean and proper working condition. Conduct safety inspections and perform routine preventive maintenance. Maintain safe discipline level among passengers. Learn and apply District policies and procedures related to student discipline. Observe legal and defensive driving practices. Learn and follow designated routes, stops and time schedules. Read and interpret maps. Administer first aid to ill or injured children. Maintain routine records. Understand and follow oral and written directions. Communicate effectively with others. Establish and maintain cooperative and effective working relationships with others. Lift, carry, push and pull heavy objects up to 50 lbs.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

Any combination equivalent to: high school diploma or equivalent and responsible experience operating a school bus.

LICENSES AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

Valid S Certificate
Valid School Bus Driving Certificate.
Valid medical certificate.
CPR/First Aid certificate must be maintained throughout the validity of the license if the waiver is used.
Incumbents in this classification are subject to completing and passing a California Highway Patrol examination.
Incumbents in this class must present and maintain a satisfactory driving record which insures maintenance of liability insurance coverage.
Incumbents in this class must maintain a negative drug and alcohol test Certification and maintain a clear fingerprint record.

WORKING CONDITIONS:

ENVIRONMENT:

School bus environment.

Driving a vehicle to conduct work.

Constant interruptions.

Incumbents in this class may be required to respond to emergency calls in the case of catastrophic events.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

Sitting for extended periods of time when operating a transportation vehicle. Bending at the waist, kneeling or crouching. Reaching, pulling and pushing to open bus doors. Lifting moderately heavy objects.

HAZARDS:

Traffic hazards. Driving a vehicle during adverse weather conditions.

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