



TRUCK DRIVING PROGRAM

TCAT enrolls each month into the seven-week program. This is a full time program, Monday-Friday 7 am-3 pm. The courses are divided into two sessions. The first session consists of classroom instruction. After completing the class work, you will begin training with a driving instructor in a manual shift truck. This instruction will take place at a practice lot and on the streets and highways in and around Crossville. With the successful completion of this program you will have the skills and knowledge to obtain your CDL.

Requirements: The following criteria must be completed before you are given a start date, with the exception of the DMV check and drug test which you will be required to obtain 30 days before you start the class (at a designated health care facility). You must pass the drug test and DMV check. If you do not pass the drug test and DMV check you will not be able to attend the class. There may be random drug testing at any time.

Step 1: Must be 18 years of age & a U.S. Citizen

Step 2: Must have a valid Tennessee driver's License

Step 3: Obtain DOT physical (Certified Medical Exam).

Step 4: Must obtain DOT Learner Permit. To obtain learner permit you must take exam at Department of Motor Vehicles. Contact Anthony Luttrell at 931-267-6693 for information on permit prep.

Step 5: Complete TCAT Upper Cumberland online application at <https://tcatuppercumberland.edu/future-students/admissions>

Step 6: Apply for financial aid at <https://fafsa.ed.gov>

Step 7: Submit copies of DOT physical (Certified Medical Exam), DOT Learners Permit, and Tennessee driver license. At this time, you will obtain a start date. ***Within 30 days of class start date: (If not submitted a week before class starts you will lose you start date)**

Step 8: **Student will provide Student Services with the following documents no sooner than 30 days BEFORE start date:**

- Copy of your Ten Year Motor Vehicle Report. You can get your MVR by visiting <https://www.tn.gov/safety/driver-services/mvr.html> or by going to the Driver Service Center at 136 Dooley Street Crossville, TN 38555.
 - Complete a drug screen at Quality Medical Center-15 Walker Hill Street Crossville, TN 38555. 931-484-1100-must be at location before 1 pm. **(Must have approval with TCAT Upper Cumberland Crossville for drug test)** Quality Medical Center will contact you with results and send copy to TCAT. Random drug test may be a possibility at any time.
- Both items must be submitted by deadline. Any delay in the Admissions process listed above WILL DELAY ENROLLMENT.
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Cost: There is financial aid available for this program for current TN residents. Student cannot have used the TN lottery or TN reconnect grant before. If eligible, the grants may cover up to \$1200 of the \$1708 tuition/books fee. Amount covered by the grant is based on eligibility. You must complete the FAFSA to apply for state grants. Go to www.studentaid.gov to fill out FAFSA. You can also visit your local career center to see if you qualify for financial assistance. Additional out of pocket costs: DOT physical, MVR report, DOT drug test, DOT learner permit, & licensure. (est. costs: \$350) If you have any questions regarding the Truck Driving program, please contact Cindy Lowe at 931-787-1136 or cindy.lowe@tcatuppercumberland.edu