**TITLE OF LESSON: AUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENTS**

**Objectives of Lesson:** At the end of this lesson, the school bus driver will be able to:

* List the three documents required to legally drive a school bus.

**Introduction:**

WAC 392-144 contains driver authorization requirements. It defines terms like school bus driver, student, trainer, authorization, in-service course, minimum

**Presentation**

1. WAC 392-144
2. Lecture on WAC 392-144
3. Pay attention to sections that directly affect school bus drivers.
4. Emphasize especially WAC 392-144-101,
	1. this contains information that could eliminate unqualified drivers who seek to become school bus drivers in your district.
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**Summary**

WAC 392-144 stipulates the requirements necessary to become an It defines such terms as authorization, in-service, qualifications, reporting,

**Evaluation**

Review material with the driver candidates by asking questions regarding the

**Questions**

1. List the three documents required to legally drive a school bus

**Answers**

1. First Aid Card, Physical Card, and a valid Commercial Driver’s

License.

1. Air Brake Restriction removed, Passenger Endorsement, and Air Brake Restriction removed, Passenger Endorsement, and S Endorsement.
2. It is renewed at least every two years.
3. This is done to eliminate any criminal person from driving school bus and putting pupils in danger.
4. Three speeding tickets in excess of 10 mph or over the speed limit.
5. You must report in writing within 20 calendar days

**Minimum Authorization Requirements**

1. **Five year driver’s abstract**. (Current within 60 days) Also needed is a permit for Commercial Driver’s License (CDL)
2. To acquire a permit to train, the candidate must go to the DOL

and pass the written knowledge test prior to training behind the wheel.

1. **Valid Washington State Driver’s License**, with:
2. Commercial Driving License (class A, B, or C)
3. Passenger Endorsement
4. Air Brake Restriction Removed (class A & B)
5. S Endorsement

Getting licensed requires written and driving tests:

1. Four Written Tests
2. General Knowledge
3. Passenger Endorsement
4. Knowledge of Air Brakes
5. S Endorsement

B. A Driving Test, which includes the following:

1. A pre-trip inspection

2. A basic controls (backing) test on a prescribed course

3. A behind the wheel road test on a prescribed course.

The trainer may assist the candidate in selecting a third party tester to administer the road test (all written tests are ad-ministered by the DOL at a local office)

1. **Department of Transportation or Department of Licensing medical examination, a drug test, and an alcohol test** (if required by your school district)
2. **Valid and Current First Aid Card**
3. **Criminal Background Check** (finger printing)
4. **Behind-the-wheel training** (a permit must be acquired at the DOL prior to training)
5. **Classroom Training**
6. **Re-authorization** requires:
	1. The driver to attend an annual in-service presentation that is mandated by the State

B. An annual driving abstract

C. A physical agility exercise

**DRIVER AUTHORIZATION DOCUMENTATION AND INSTRUCTION**

Note: Without documents 1-5 and class 6 being current, one CAN NOT LEGALLY DRIVE A SCHOOL BUS in the state of Washington.

1. CURRENT DRIVER’S LICENSE with:

A. CLASS B, C, or, A

B. PASSENGER ENDORSEMENT

C. AIR BRAKE RESTRICTION REMOVED (A & B only)

D. SCHOOL BUS ENDORSEMENT

2. CURRENT & VALID FIRST AID CARD

3. CURRENT D.O.T/DOL MEDICAL CARD

4. PHYSICAL AGILITY EXERCISE

5. ANNUAL DRIVER’S ABSTRACT

6. COMPLETE THE CURRENT YEAR’S IN-SERVICE

CLASS