THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA



# **JOB DESCRIPTION**

<b>POSITION TITLE:</b>	Relief Bus Operator
CONTRACT YEAR:	<del>190</del> <u>192</u> Days
PAY GRADE:	N/A
BARGAINING UNIT:	FOPE – Bus Operator Transportation
QUALIFICATIONS:	

**EXPERIENCE:** Five (5) years of licensed <u>successful</u> driving experience. <u>Must pass a seven- (7) year driver's license review</u> <u>determined from a Transcript of Driver Record from the</u> <u>Department of Highway Safety.</u> Excellent working knowledge of Broward County's geographic region preferred.

### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

## **REQUIRED:**

- 1. <u>Must pass a five (5) year driver's license review</u> <u>determined from a Transcript of Driver Record from the</u> <u>Department of Highway Safety.</u>
- **1.2.** Prior to transporting students on a school bus and before being issued a valid school bus driver's license, each bus operator shall meet the following requirements:
  - a) <u>Mmust have a proper Florida Commercial</u> Driver's License (CDL) with endorsements compatible with the assigned duties of The School Board of Broward County, Florida.
  - b) <u>Ssuccessfully</u> complete forty (40) hours of

preservice classroom training and at least sixteen (16) twenty (20) hours of behind-the-wheel training based on the state of Florida Department of Education Basic School Bus Driver Curriculum.

- c) <u>Dd</u>emonstrate the ability to prepare required experience in the preparation of written reports.
- d) <u>Bb</u>e physically capable of operating the vehicle as determined by an annual physical examination, <u>FORM ESE 479</u>, prescribed by the Commissioner and given by a physician designated by <u>t</u>The School Board of Broward County, <u>Florida</u> and as determined by a reflex test administered by the school district.
- e) demonstrate physical and mental capabilities required to carry out all assigned responsibilities as a school bus operator.
- 2.3. At the time of reappointment for the next school year, the operator of a school bus shall meet the following requirements:
  - a) <u>Mm</u>eet all requirements stipulated under qualifications for a bus operator.
  - b) <u>Ssuccessfully</u> complete a minimum of eight (8) hours of inservice training within the preceding twelve (12) months.
  - c) <u>Ss</u>uccessfully pass a physical examination given by a physician designated by <u>€</u>The School Board of Broward County, <u>Florida</u> and a reflex test administered by the school district.

This position will include pre-employment drug and alcohol testing. Computer skills as required for the position.

PREFERRED:	Bilingual skills preferred.
<b>REPORTS TO:</b>	Director, Pupil Transportation/Supervisor II, Transportation Terminal Student Transportation & Fleet Services
SUPERVISES:	Oversee the students assigned to his/her their bus.

**POSITION GOAL:** To transport students between a designated location and the schools and/or to special destinations safely and promptly. Responsible for daily safety inspection and care of the vehicle operated.

## ESSENTIAL PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES:

#### The Relief Bus Operator shall:

- 1. learn various routes as needed and familiarize new bus operators with their assigned routes.
- 2. maintain a good working knowledge of Broward County's geographic region, and any factors that affect traffic conditions.
- 3. verify that the bus is in satisfactory condition prior to use by inspecting and activating mechanical and operating parts such as warning lights, turn signals, windshield wipers, gauges, horns, brakes, emergency doors, etc., and by determining that all prescribed safety equipment is in place and legal documents are visible.
- 4. adhere to bus schedule precisely to meet students at designated time and location and to transport them to schools or other approved destinations. Operate bus in a manner to provide prompt and safe transportation. Operate all safety equipment such as stop arms, warning lights, etc., in a responsible manner; contact area transportation office for instructions when confronted by unusual situations; report accidents and crime observed while operating the bus.
- 5. <u>operate bus in a manner to provide prompt and safe transportation.</u>
- 6. <u>operate all safety equipment such as stop arms, warning lights, etc., in a responsible manner.</u>
- 7. contact area transportation office for instructions when confronted by unusual situations; report accidents and crime observed while operating the bus.
- 5.8. maintain acceptable behavior of student passengers <u>as follows</u>: assign seating arrangements and monitor seating assignments; inform students of behavior and safety rules and enforce rules, as necessary; reprimand unruly students verbally or with written referrals; report unauthorized passengers; discharge students only at authorized locations.
- 6.9. prepare reports and complete forms necessary to fulfill state and district requirements, such as bus schedule work sheets, bus seating charts, pre-trip inspection reports, FTE surveys, injury and incident reports, referrals, student count reports, etc.
- 7.10. cultivate a congenial rapport with parents, students, guardians, school staff members, citizens and all other individuals; use two-way radio in an appropriate and professional manner.
- 8.11. communicate effectively and use appropriate interpersonal styles in interacting with all personnel.
- 9.12. arrange for or perform bus maintenance, position bus at fuel stations for fuel, oil

and cleaning; insert fuel card into computer terminal and dial in mileage to record required information; sweep bus floors after use; inspect bus for torn seats; graffiti, vandalism etc., prepare requests for repairs.

- 10.13. assist bus attendant, as necessary, with the loading, securing and care of handicapped students.
- <u>11.14.</u> master the principles of first aid and administer as needed.
- 12.15. be assume responsible responsibility for operation of lift buses and securing wheelchairs and other special equipment.
- 13.16. participate, successfully, in the training programs offered to increase the individual's skill and proficiency related to the assignments. perform and promote all activities in compliance with equal employment and non-discrimination policies of The School Board of Broward County, Florida.
- 14.17. review current developments, literature and technical sources of information related to job responsibility. participate successfully in the training programs offered to increase the individual's skill and proficiency related to the assignments.
- 15.18. ensure adherence to good safety procedures. review current developments, literature and technical sources of information related to job responsibility.
- 16.19. perform other duties as assign by the Director, Pupil Transportation or designee. ensure adherence to good safety procedures.
- 17.20. follow federal and state laws as well as School Board policies.
- 20.21. perform other duties as assigned by director, superivsor or designee.

#### **<u>SIGNIFICANT CONTACTS – frequency, contact, purpose, and desired end result:</u>**

Frequent contact with students, parents, guardians, school staff members, citizens and all other individuals while providing transportation services in a safe, efficient, cooperative and courteous manner.

# **PHYSICL REQUIREMENTS:**

Medium work: Exerting up to 50 pounds of force occasionally, and/or up to 20 pounds of force frequently and/or up to 10 pounds of force as needed to move objects.

# **TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:**

Salary and benefits shall be paid consistent with the District's approved compensation plan. Length of the work year and hours of employment shall be those established by the School Board and subject to the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

# **FLSA OVERTIME CATEGORY:**

Job is not exempt from the overtime provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act.

#### **EVALUATION:**

Performance will be evaluated in accordance with Board Policy.

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