



MCC CDL-A Program – Blue River East Campus

Next Class: Late January 2026

Location: MCC Blue River East, 21227 MO-78, Independence, MO 64057

Schedule: Monday–Friday, 7 a.m.–5 p.m.

Cost: \$5,000

Class Size: Limited to 4–6 students (first-come, first-served based on completion of all steps)

Transmission Type: Automatic (no manual transmission training)

Enrollment Steps 1-7

1. **Meet Federal CDL Requirements**

Review requirements: [FMCSA CDL Info](#)

2. **Age**

- Must be **21 or older** to drive interstate.
- Students **18–20** may drive only within Missouri.

3. **Submit Driver's License**

Email a photo of your valid Missouri Driver's License to get.ahead@mcckc.edu.
(License cannot be suspended, canceled, or revoked.)

4. **Apply for Admission to MCC**

If new to MCC, complete the **Workforce Application**:
[Apply Now](#)

5. **Decide Payment Method**

Email your choice to get.ahead@mcckc.edu. Allow **6–8 weeks** for Third Party funding approval.

- **Self-Pay in Full by day before start or 3-Part Payment Plan paid by course end**
- **Third-Party Funding** (allow at least 8 weeks to complete steps):
 - [SkillUP Missouri \(SNAP recipients\)](#)
 - [Full Employment Council](#)
 - [Great Jobs KC](#)
 - [Vocational Rehabilitation](#)
 - [Missouri Fast Track](#)

6. **Request Motor Vehicle Report (MVR)**

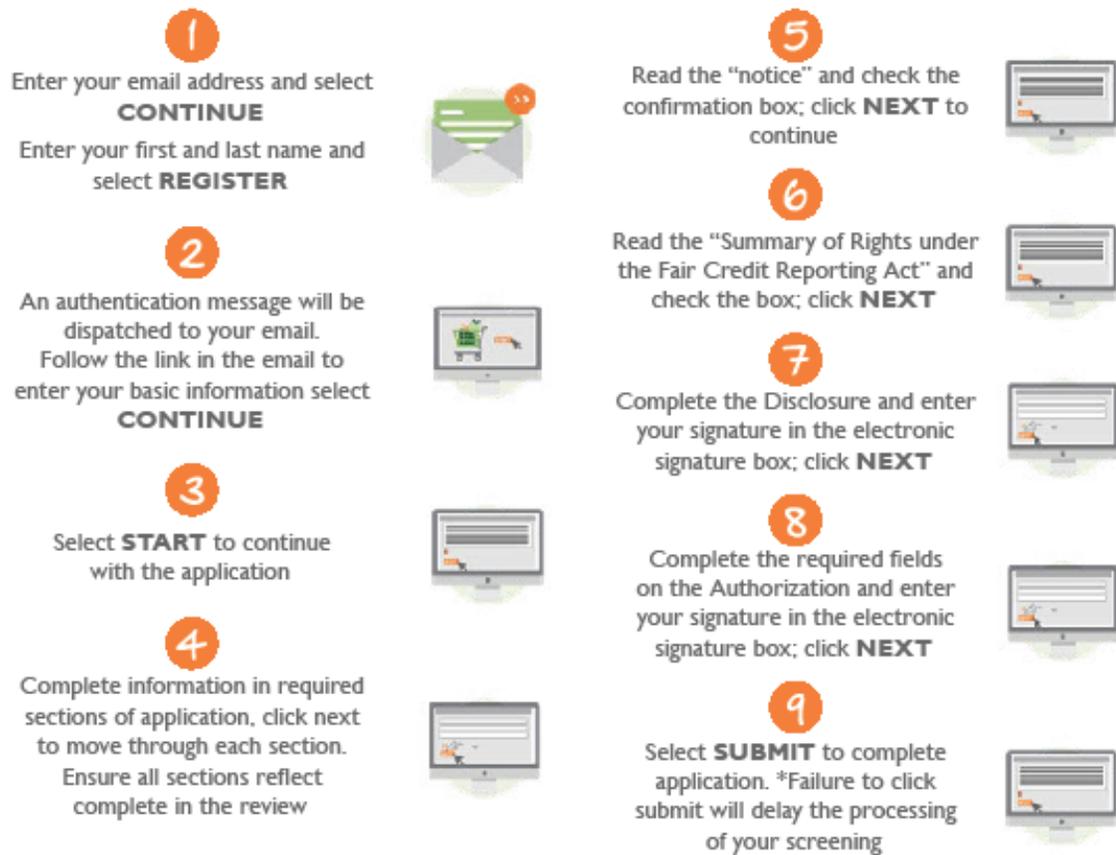
Cost: \$12 (paid by student). Report sent directly to MCC.

To get started click this link.

<https://www.ejobapp-validityscreening.com/applicant/companies/29042/positions>

Click the red **BEGIN** link

Follow instructions on next page.



- Credit Card payment options: AMEX, Discover, MasterCard or Visa
- Authorized pending payment receipt will be emailed upon submission to email provided in your application

7. **Obtain CDL-A Learner's Permit**

Cost: \$41 (paid by student).

- Study using the free **CDL Prep App** or [CDL Manual \(PDF\)](#)
- Permit Test includes: **General Knowledge**, **Air Brakes**, and **Combination Vehicle** sections.
- Testing available at any **Missouri State Highway Patrol Examination Station**.
- Email a photo of your permit to get.ahead@mckkc.edu once obtained.

After Completing Steps 1–7

8. **Mandatory Orientation**

Held 1–2 weeks before class at MCC Blue River East. Bring your driver's license.

9. **DOT Physical & Drug Screen**

Scheduled by MCC 1–2 weeks before class. Cost is included in tuition.

10. **Pre-Class Assignments**

Provided at orientation and reviewed on the first day of class.

Additional Frequently Asked Questions

DOT Physical & Drug Screen Requirements

Drivers must meet DOT medical standards (FMCSR Part 391.41). Disqualifications may include:

- Insulin-dependent diabetes
 - Uncontrolled high blood pressure
 - Cardiovascular or respiratory disorders
 - Epilepsy or loss-of-consciousness conditions
 - Certain neuromuscular, mental, or psychiatric disorders
 - Poor vision (must have 20/40 or better in each eye, with or without correction)
 - Inability to hear a forced whisper at 5 feet
 - Use of controlled substances or clinical diagnosis of alcoholism
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Criminal Background Guidelines

Trucking companies set their own hiring criteria. General guidelines include:

- No DUI in past **5 years**
 - No felony convictions in past **7 years**
 - No more than **3 moving violations** in past **3 years**
 - No reckless or careless driving citations in past **3 years**
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Motor Vehicle Record (MVR) Standards

You may be disqualified or lose driving authorization if your record includes:

Within past 36 months:

- More than 3 moving violations in a year
- Suspended or restricted license (due to moving violations)
- DUI/DWI conviction or administrative alcohol/drug suspension
- Driving without a valid license or during suspension

At any time:

- Failure to stop/report an accident
- Vehicular homicide or assault
- Pending warrant for arrest

For questions, email the Recruitment Coordinator at get.ahead@mcckc.edu.

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