

Commercial Pre-Trip Script

Back of the Bus

(you must point to and/or touch all Items to be described)

Starting at the top of the bus: Pre-Trip

Passenger side of the bus: 16:20 Video Mark

- The passenger side mirror assembly (Flat and Convex mirrors) are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages and the brackets are firmly affixed to the bus.
- Passenger door is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages and the door seal is not cracked and is working properly. The window glass is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages and no illegal stickers that would hinder the driver's vision. All of the hinges are properly secured with no missing bolts.
- There are three (3) clearance lights at the very top of the bus; the two (2) in front of the rear wheel are amber in color and one (1) in back of the rear wheel is red in color...they are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.
- All of the window glass is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages and no illegal stickers that would hinder the driver's view.
- There are two (2) Emergency Window Exits, they are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages. Both are properly marked and easily readable with "Emergency Exit" lettering and reflective tape.

- All the yellow reflective tape is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.
- All the School Bus lettering is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages and easily readable.
- The Side-Marker light (which is also the right turn signal and 4-way flasher) is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.
- There are three (3) Reflectors at the bottom of the bus; the two (2) in front of the rear wheel are amber in color and one (1) in back of the rear wheel is red in color...they are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.
- The entry step light is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.
- The DEF (Diesel Fuel Enhancement Additive) door and hinges are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – the cap is tightly secured and the tank is not leaking.
- The diesel fuel door and hinges are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – the cap is tightly secured and the tank is not leaking.

UNDERNEATH PASSENGER SIDE OF BUS: 20:40 Video Mark

- The frame is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages and no illegal welds.

- The exhaust system is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – no illegal welds – no signs of black spots or soot which would indicate a leak and all of the hangers that support the exhaust pipe are properly mounted and secured.
- The drive shaft is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – the shaft is not bent and has no illegal welds. The caster bearing and all other hangers are properly mounted and secured and are in place. The U-joints are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages and are free of debris.

Brake System: 22:30 Video Mark

- The air brake chamber and brake lines are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – the lines are not leaking or missing any clamps.
- The push rod and slack adjuster are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – they are not bent and are not leaking – If I were to chock my wheels and release my brakes the push rod should have no more than 1 inch of pull.
- There is a dust cover on the inside of the wheel with sight slots that allow me to check the brake drum and brake lining – they are of proper operating thickness with no signs of grease or oil residue.

Suspension: 24:30 Video Mark

- The spring is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – the spring is not shifted or bent and no illegal welds.
- The spring mount is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – there are no loose bolts or missing bolts or nuts.
- There are 2 U – bolts which are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – there are no loose or missing nuts.
- The torque arm is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – the arm is not bent or twisted and there are no missing or loose bolts and nuts.

- The shock absorber is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – there are no leaks – there are no loose or missing bolts and nuts.
- The air bellow (bag) and mount are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – the bag is not leaking – there are no loose or missing nuts or bolts.

Tires – Wheels - Rim: 26:30 Video Mark

- Both tires are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages. They are evenly worn and have no less than 2/32” inch of tread and they may be recaps on the back. There are not cuts, bulges or abrasions to the side walls and they are properly inflated to 100 psi.
- There is no bud spacer between the rims and the space between the tires are free of debris.
- The air valve stem is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – the stem is not bent or broken and is not leaking is protected by a cap. I would use a tire gauge to check for proper inflation.
- The rims are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – the rims are not bent and have no illegal welds.
- All of the lug nuts are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – there are no signs of rust which could indicate that they are or have been loose.
- The rear axle hub is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages – the hub shows no signs of leaks and there are no missing nuts or bolts.
- The mud flap is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages and it has no more than 8” clearance from the ground.

REAR OF BUS: 29:10 Video Mark

- As I approach the bus I see that it is level, not leaning and there are no leaks underneath.
- There are five (5) clearance lights, three (3) at the top and one (1) on each side – because they are at the rear of the bus, they are all red in color and are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.
- There are four (4) Student Warning lights - the outside lights are red in color and the inside lights are amber in color - they are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.
- All of the lettering (School Bus & Emergency Door) are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages and are easily readable.
- All the reflective tape is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.
- The emergency door is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages, the handle is secured and operates properly, the hinges are properly secured with no missing bolts and it locks in place and releases.
- All the window glass is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages and no illegal stickers that would hinder the driver's vision.
- The two (2) outside lights are the signal lights and 4-way flashers, they are amber in color, and they are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.

- There are four (4) brake and tail lights, they are red in color, and they are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.
- There are two (2) reverse lights, they are clear in color, and they are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.
- There are two (2) reflectors at the bottom of the bus, they are red in color and they are property mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.

UNIQUE ITEMS ON THE DRIVER SIDE OF THE BUS

13:30 Video Mark

- The rear stop sign is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages or loose fittings. The lettering is clearly marked and readable and the red warning lights and lenses are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.
- The front stop sign is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages or loose fittings. The lettering is clearly marked and readable and the red warning lights and lenses are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages.
- The fuse box compartment doors and hinges are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages. There are no fuses on this bus because this bus uses circuit breakers. There are no frayed wires and there is no smell of smoke or any indication of shorts in the wiring.
- The battery box compartment door and hinges are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages. The batteries are secured and there is no sign of leakage or corrosion.

- The secondary wiring box door and hinges are properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages. There are no frayed wires and no smell of smoke or appearance of shorts in the wiring.
- The driver's side window is properly mounted and secured with no cracks or damages and illegal stickers that would hinder the driver's vision