COLORADO
Department of Education
School Finance and Operations Division

Mandatory
FORM # STU-5
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Application for Certification or Recertification of School Transportation Entry-Level Driver Training Instructor

2026-2027

All information requested on this form is required, including selections, applicable initials, signature, and date.

Applicant Information		
Name of Applicant (Please Print):	**Email Address:**	**Phone Number:**

Application Type (required)	☐ **Initial Application** ☐ **Active Recertification**
Instructor Type (required)	☐ **Theory** ☐ **BTW—Public Road/Range** ☐ **BTW—Range Only** ☐ **Both**

Acknowledgment of Required Criteria: Initial each applicable line. Rule 8.1.1(B) applies to every applicant; then select one CDL pathway under Rule 8.1.1(A) or (C).

Applicant Initials	Rule	Requirement / Acknowledgment
8.1.1 — ELDT Instructor Qualifications		
	(B)	Required for every applicant: I have two years of verifiable experience within Colorado operating a School Transportation Vehicle requiring a Class B (or higher) CDL with S and P endorsements.
CDL Requirement — Select and initial one applicable pathway		
	(A)	Current CDL: I maintain a valid Class B (or higher) CDL with School Bus (S) and Passenger (P) endorsements.
	(C)(1)	Theory exception: I previously held a CDL of the same or higher class and endorsements and meet all other requirements of Section 8.1.1.
	(C)(2)	BTW Range-only exception: I previously held a CDL of the same or higher class and endorsements, meet all other requirements of Section 8.1.1, and will provide BTW instruction solely on a non-public-road range.
8.2.1 — Initial Certification and Recertification		
	(A)	Initial certification: I successfully completed the applicable CDE ELDT Theory or BTW Instructor Program.
	(B)	Active recertification: I passed the applicable CDE ELDT Recertification Written Test(s) with a score of 80% or higher within the required three-year interval.
Expired certificates are subject to the applicable reinstatement requirements in Rule 8.2.4.		

Applicant Certification: I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate; I meet the applicable requirements above; and I am not prohibited from ELDT instruction under 49 C.F.R. § 380.605 following a disqualifying CDL cancellation, suspension, or revocation.

Applicant Signature:	**Date:**