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REGULAR ROAD-E-O

Schedule Friday, June 23rd, 2017

Competition Overview

Each year, TAPT hosts the Texas School Bus Driver Safety Competition. This is one of the most exciting events in the industry, with the best of the best school bus drivers from around the great state of Texas coming together competing for top honors and recognition. This event allows professional school bus drivers the opportunity to show pride while exhibiting their skills and dedication to pupil transportation.

The event begins with General Knowledge and Vehicle Inspection written tests challenging the contestants' comprehension of school bus driver certification and commercial driving laws and regulations. The contestants will get behind the wheel and demonstrate their ability to maneuver a school bus in and around various driving obstacle courses. Each event is either timed or measured to determine the score. Many hours of practice are needed for perfection, to receive the maximum amount of points per event. Drivers spend many non-compensated hours to reach a superior level of excellence.

- 2017 Regular Road-e-o Competition Handbook (will be posted at a later date)
- 2017 Regular Road-e-o Entry Application
- 2017 Regular Road-e-o Judges On-Line Sign-Up Form (will be posted at a later date)



Important Notes and Schedule for the TAPT 2017 Bus Road-e-o.

(Tentative) As of April 12th, 2017

- For full conference attendance, contestants may also register online at: <http://www.tapt.com/conference2017/>
- Each contestant must be **pre-registered and fees paid** by the close of business day **May 31, 2017**.
- All contestants must be checked-in and registered with the TAPT Registration Booth prior to attending the scheduled contestant meeting to be held Thursday, June 22nd, 2017. Contestants must receive their badge and packets before participants will be permitted to attend any of the orientation and instruction meeting for the road-e-o event.
- Shuttle service will be provided between the **Host Hotel(s)** to the Road-e-o site. The road-e-o shuttle will pick-up contestants and Judges ONLY at 6:00 a.m. on Friday June 23rd, 2017.
- Later bus shuttles will return to the hotels at 6:45 a.m. to pick up family and spectators.
- There is limited parking at the Road-e-o site so riding the shuttle is HIGHLY encouraged and recommended.
- No scores will be provided prior to the Awards Ceremony on Saturday evening, June 24th, 2017. A Scoring Summary will be provided to each contestant after the awards presentation. Copies of individual sheets will be mailed to the contestant's supervisor Transportation Department following the TAPT Conference. A Scoring Summary will be placed on the TAPT Web site approximately two weeks after competition.
- Contestants moving forward to National School Bus Safety Competition must see the TAPT Executive Secretary and Road-e-o Chairman immediately following the announcements to complete entry paperwork. The 2017 International Bus Road-e-o is scheduled for **July 15-16, 2017**, in Indianapolis, Indiana.

2017 TAPT State Road-e-o Preliminary Schedule

Thursday June 22nd, 2017	
2:00 pm - 4:45 pm	Registration (for Rodeo Contestants Only)
4:00 pm - 4:45 pm	Regular Rodeo Judge Meeting
4:45	<i>Rodeo Judge and Contestant Break</i>
5:00 pm - 5:45 pm	Regular Rodeo Contestant Orientation
5:45 pm - 6:15 pm	Regular Rodeo Test
6:15	Course Drive Through Buses shuttle to Rodeo Site (Return to Embassy Suites)
Friday June 23rd, 2017	
6:00 AM	Rodeo Contestant and Judges shuttle service from hotels - detailed schedule to be posted/given at a later date
6:15 AM	Breakfast for Contestants and Judges
6:30	Rodeo Contestants check in
6:30	Rodeo Judges check in - go out to their assigned location
6:45	Shuttles for Family & Spectators
7:00	Rodeo Start
11:00 am - 12:00 noon	Lunch for Rodeo Contestants and Judges
6:15 PM	Bowling (register and pay online)
Saturday June 24th, 2017	
7:00 PM	Dinner and Awards Banquet Embassy Suites - 70's Theme (Badge and Ticket Required) Limited banquet tickets may be purchased for \$70.00 each at the Conference Registration Booth