ELDT School Bus Endorsement: Answer Key

Name: _______________________________

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1. FALSE  From the outside of the bus, check the operating condition of the dash mounted turn signal indicator lights, high beam indicator light, eight-light indicator system, instrument panel lights and step well lights. CDL 10.1.2

2. FALSE  A pre-trip inspection is only required if you have time to complete it. SBM 4.2

3. TRUE  Proper adjustment and use of all mirrors is vital to the safe operation of the school bus in order to observe the danger zone around the bus and look for students, traffic and other objects in the area. CDL SB 1.2

4. FALSE  School buses are allowed to stop in the intersection to load/unload students in order to control traffic in all directions. SBM 5.6

5. TRUE  When parking, it is best practice to park so you can pull forward when leaving. SBM 1.4

6. TRUE  A school bus driver must provide a safe and positive environment on the school bus. SBM 2.6

7. FALSE  Students can be evicted from the bus along the route for a serious breach of discipline. SBM 5.6

8. TRUE  Drivers of school buses and commercial vehicles are subject to roadside/destination inspections. SBM 8

9. FALSE  When you approach another school bus from either direction, and that bus is stopped to load or unload passengers, you should activate the amber portion of your eight-light system, stop and open the service door slightly, to activate the red lights. SBM 5.12

10. TRUE  Rust trails and shiny metal around the edge of the wheel rim bolt or nut is a good indicator of looseness. CDL 10.2.4

11. FALSE  During the pre-trip inspection the school bus stop-arm fully extends, however, the overhead red lights do not work. You may drive the bus provided the malfunction is written on the pre-trip? CDL PART B

12. TRUE  The school bus is an extension of the classroom. SBM 2.2

13. FALSE  While making a right turn, with students onboard, you run over a street sign with your bus. It is acceptable to finish your route and deal with the sign later. SBM 3.2/5.18

14. TRUE  A school bus driver who is self-aware of the benefits that positive reinforcement has will be more successful in overall student management. SBM 2.10

15. TRUE  If you drive in Minnesota, you have automatically given your consent to a test of your blood, breath or urine to determine alcohol concentration. CDL PART A

16. FALSE  There is no need to walk through the bus interior after the route because the driver knows they dropped off all the students at school or their bus stops. SBM 4.2

17. TRUE  Communication between the school bus driver and the students can provide a positive influence in helping shape the character of the student. SBM 2.3
18. **FALSE** A driver can ignore a brake warning light as long as they feel the vehicle is operating normally. *SBM 4.2/ CDL Part B*

19. **FALSE** You must make a right turn upon completing a school bus stop in the right turn lane. *SBM 5.12*

20. **TRUE** You should attempt to record all of the names of students on your bus after a crash. *SBM 3.2*

21. **TRUE** All crashes resulting in injuries must be reported to law enforcement. *SBM 3.2*

22. **TRUE** School bus drivers are not allowed to deviate from the student stop locations or bus stop procedures specified on the route sheet. *SBM 5.6*

23. **TRUE** The most important thing for the driver to do after a crash is to remain calm. *SBM 3.1*

24. **TRUE** A person who boards a school bus when the bus is on its route or otherwise in operation, or while it has pupils on it, and who refuses to leave the bus on demand of the bus operator can be charged with trespassing. *SBM 5.25*

25. **TRUE** No school bus shall be driven unless the driver or other designated person has inspected the vehicle to ensure it is in a safe operating condition. *SBM 4.2*

26. **FALSE** Some misconduct incidences involving student behavior can be ignored. *SBM 2.8*

27. **TRUE** Most students want consistent boundaries and rules. *SBM 2.4*

28. **TRUE** All crashes involving a school bus must be immediately reported to your dispatch, no matter how minor you think it might be. *SBM 3.2*

29. **TRUE** Solving a dispute between students on your school bus could be as simple as assigning seats to students involved. *SBM 2.7*

30. **TRUE** In the event of an emergency, activating the interior lighting, strobe lights, and 4-way flashers will increase your visibility. *SBM 3.2*

31. **FALSE** Serious incidents of misconduct, such as weapons violations, fights or threats of violence do not have to be reported. *SBM 2.9*

32. **FALSE** A school bus driver is exempt from wearing a seatbelt if they have a doctor's note. *SBM 5.10*

33. **TRUE** The horn is an important safety item and must be checked daily to ensure it is working properly. *CDL 10.1.2*

34. **TRUE** A signed copy of the current daily pre-trip inspection report must be carried in the bus. *SBM 4.2*

35. **TRUE** If you have smoke or fire on the bus, you should immediately evacuate the bus and move at least 100 feet away in a safe direction. *SBM 3.4*

36. A school bus post-crash inspection is required when:
   a. A vehicle is towed away from the scene due to disabling damage
   b. A person receives medical attention immediately away from the scene
   c. A crash resulting in a fatality
   d. **All of the above** *SBM 3.2*
37. When involved in a crash, the first thing you should do is:
   a. Check for injuries SBM 3.2
   b. Check under the bus for leaks
   c. Count all students
   d. Turn off the bus

38. The driver of any motor vehicle pulling another vehicle, or the driver of any truck or bus, when traveling upon a roadway outside of a business or residence district, shall not follow within _______ feet of another vehicle.
   a. 1000
   b. 500 SBM 5.8 / CDL Part A
   c. 300
   d. 100

39. Which of the following is not a part of "Preparing for your Trip/Route"?
   a. Review Route Sheet and itinerary
   b. Know your vehicle
   c. Provide a Pre-trip briefing
   d. Conduct a post-trip inspection SBM 4.1

40. When evacuating the bus students must find a safe location at least _____ away from the bus.
   a. 50 feet
   b. 200 feet
   c. 100 feet SBM 3.8
   d. 75 feet

41. When involved in a crash you should obtain what information:
   a. Other drivers name, address or email address, & phone number
   b. Other vehicle’s license plate number
   c. Names of students on your bus
   d. Insurance information from the other driver
   e. All the above SBM 3.2

42. Following a conviction of a DUI or an Implied Consent Revocation your CDL will be disqualified for _____ and your school bus endorsement will be cancelled for _________.
   a. 1 yr.; 5 yrs. SBM 5.3 / CDL Part A
   b. 1 yr.; 1yr.
   c. 2 yrs.; 5 yrs.;
   d. 1 yr.; lifetime

43. When involved in a crash, you should only discuss the details of the incident with:
   a. Your Supervisor
   b. Law Enforcement
   c. The other driver
   d. a and b only SBM 3.2
   e. All of the above
44. A post-trip inspection of the school bus ensures:
   a. Students are not left on the bus.
   b. Personal or suspicious items have not been left on the bus.
   c. The bus is still in safe operating condition.
   d. **All of the above.** SBM 4.2 / CDL SB2.2

45. A school bus driver must report/disclose what information to their employer:
   a. A conviction of a moving violation certified to your driving record
   b. All parking tickets
   c. Driver license status changes including suspension, revocation, cancelation or disqualification.
   d. **Both a and c** SBM 5.3

46. When may a school bus pull a trailer?
   a. From sunrise to sunset
   b. When not hauling students
   c. **Only when traveling to or from a curricular or extracurricular event** SBM 7.5
   d. While on route and/or school related activities

47. A CDL holder convicted for a 2\(^{nd}\) hands-free or texting violation while operating a CMV within 3 years will be disqualified for ____________.
   a. 30 days
   b. **60 days** SBM 5.23 / CDL Part A
   c. 90 days
   d. 1 year

48. What is the allowable amount of alcohol a driver can have in their system while operating a school bus or commercial vehicle?
   a. Less than .02 ac
   b. Less than .04 ac
   c. Less than .08 ac
   d. **Zero tolerance** SBM 5.4

49. A CDL driver is required to submit to a post-crash drug and alcohol test if the crash results in (choose all that apply):
   a. A vehicle is towed away from the scene and you are not cited for a moving violation.
   b. A person receives medical attention immediately away from the scene and you are not cited.
   c. A vehicle is towed away from the scene and you are cited for a moving violation contributing to the crash.
   d. A person receives medical attention immediately away from the scene and you are cited for a moving violations contributing to the crash. SBM 3.2

50. Which one of these is not a part of the backing procedure?
   a. Start in proper position
   b. **Backing while children are outside of the bus.** SBM 1.4
   c. Open the driver side window
   d. Use mirrors on both sides
   e. Only back up as far as necessary
51. Which school bus drivers are REQUIRED to have proof of being medically qualified in their possession when driving?
   a. All CDL drivers
   b. All school bus drivers
   c. All non-CDL school bus drivers except Type III school employees not hired solely to drive SBM 5.3
   d. All of the above

52. The on-route inspection includes:
   a. Walking through the bus
   b. Checking under the hood
   c. Remaining aware of unusual noises or handling of the vehicle SBM 4.2 /CDL Sec 2
   d. Reviewing the route sheet

53. Who is responsible for ensuring students are safely away from the bus prior to moving the bus?
   a. bus driver SBM 5.12
   b. students
   c. parents
   d. school staff or bus aide.

54. A school bus driver is exempt from using the eight-way warning lights and stop arm in which situation?
   a. The driver feels it is safer to conduct the stop without them
   b. The parents requested the procedural change
   c. The stop arm does not deploy or the lights don’t work
   d. It has been approved in writing from the school board SBM 5.12

55. A school bus driver can use a cell phone in which of these situations?
   a. To make a personal phone call if in hands free mode
   b. To make a business related phone call if in hands-free mode SBM 5.22
   c. To make a business related call in handheld or hands-free mode
   d. For any purpose as long as it’s hands-free.

56. When approaching a railroad crossing a school bus driver shall activate the four-way hazard warning lights at least ______ ft. from the nearest rail and stop ________ ft. from the nearest rail.
   a. 100; 15-50 SBM 5.14
   b. 50; 10-15
   c. 300; 15-50
   d. 150; 10-15

57. You are involved in a crash. After a self-assessment, your next responsibility is to check the wellbeing of:
   a. The other driver
   b. Students on your bus SBM 3.2
   c. Witnesses
   d. No one
58. A school bus driver is required to activate the amber pre-warning lights at least ______ ft. prior to a school bus stop in a speed zone of 35 mph or less.
   a. 50
   b. 100  
   c. 300
   d. 500

59. The pre-trip safety briefing should be given ________________.
   a. Only during the required school bus safety training
   b. After returning from a trip
   c. During an emergency evacuation
   d. Prior to leaving on an activity trip.  SBM 4.1

60. The pre-trip safety briefing should include ________________.
   a. Location of emergency exits
   b. Location of emergency equipment
   c. Proper use of seatbelts (if equipped)
   d. All of the above  SBM 4.1