School Bus Pre-Trip Inspection Checklist (US)

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DATE	BUS NUMBER	DRIVER (CDL #)	ODOMETER
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EXTERIOR WALK-AROUND

	OK	NOT OK		OK	NOT OK
Tires — tread depth adequate (4/32 min)	○	○	No fluid leaks under bus	○	○
No cuts, bulges, or flat tires	○	○	Body panels and bumpers secure	○	○
Lug nuts tight (no rust streaks)	○	○	Crossover mirrors clean and adjusted	○	○

LIGHTS & SIGNALS

	OK	NOT OK		OK	NOT OK
Headlights (low and high beam)	○	○	4-way hazard flashers	○	○
Tail lights and brake lights	○	○	8-light warning system (amber + red)	○	○
Turn signals (all four)	○	○	Stop arm extending and illuminated	○	○

ENGINE COMPARTMENT

	OK	NOT OK		OK	NOT OK
Oil level adequate	○	○	Belt condition (no cracks or fraying)	○	○
Coolant level adequate	○	○	No visible leaks	○	○

INTERIOR

	OK	NOT OK		OK	NOT OK
Seats secure, no damage	○	○	Rear emergency door opens freely	○	○
Aisle clear, no trip hazards	○	○	Emergency exit buzzer working	○	○
Windows open and close	○	○	Floor clean, no standing water	○	○

BRAKES & STEERING

	OK	NOT OK
Air pressure builds to cut-out	○	○
Low air pressure warning works	○	○
Service brake test (firm pedal)	○	○
Parking brake holding on grade	○	○
Steering — no excessive play	○	○

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SAFETY EQUIPMENT

	OK	NOT OK		OK	NOT OK
Fire extinguisher charged (10 BC min)	○	○	Body fluid clean-up kit	○	○
First aid kit stocked	○	○	Seat belt cutter / window punch	○	○
Three reflective triangles on board	○	○	Two-way radio working	○	○

RESULT

Bus safe to operate ☐ Yes ☐ No — radio dispatch

Defects noted (DVIR)

Driver signature _____

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