Welcome to the GED® Testing Program!
An Introduction/Refresher to GED® Testing

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In this session, we will...

• Welcome our new community of New York Adult Educators to the network of GED® partners/providers

• Discuss the pathways available to support the transition to GED® Testing

• Explore the GED® Program
Challenges make you discover things about yourself that you never really knew.

—Cicely Tyson
What We Know About Transitioning from the TASC to the GED for…

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<th>NY Adult Education Partners</th>
<th>GED Testing Service Partners</th>
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<td>• Some of you were adult educators prior to 2014 and had experience with the GED® Test</td>
<td>• Are committed to customer service at the state, regional and local level</td>
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<td>• Some of you entered adult education at or after 2014 and have no experience with the</td>
<td>• will provide training and professional development to successfully prepare students for</td>
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<td>the test and to establish testing centers</td>
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<td>• The level of effort to implement will be overcome by training to be provided by GEDTS</td>
<td>• will assist and ease your level of effort to implement the GED® Program</td>
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How to Manage the Transition?

Series of Videos

Regional Meetings

Ongoing/Sustained Professional Development
Online, On-Demand Videos

Welcome to the GED® Program

The Student Journey

Understanding the GED® Test

Educators Tools and Resources

Preparing Students for the Test
Exploring the Program

Moving to the Future
Helping Adults Prepare for Jobs, Career Training Programs and Higher Education

1. Help more people *start* their GED test journey

2. Help more people *finish/pass* the GED test

3. Help more people *find a path* after passing
An Overview of the GED® Test

Getting Started
What’s Different?

**TASC™**
- 5 Sub-tests
  - Math, SS, Science, Reading, Writing
- Scoring of Writing
  -- 500 points plus 2 of 8 in writing to pass
- Credential depends on passing Writing

**GED®**
- 4 Sub-tests
  - Math, SS, Science, Reasoning through Language Arts (RLA)
  - Reading and Writing
- Scoring of Writing
  -- 20% of overall RLA Score
- Credential depends on passing RLA

High School Equivalency
Score scale

- Scores range from 100 to 200 on each of the four content modules
- Minimum score of **145 per subject** in order to pass

Four performance levels:

- Below Passing (100 – 144)
- Passing (High School Equivalency: 145+)
- GED® College Ready (CCR 165 – 174)
- GED® College Ready + Credit (175 - 200)

- Standardized and normed on a national sample of high school grads from class of 2013
The GED® test

• Available in English and Spanish
• A wide array of accommodations are available for individuals who have a documented disability. We plan to hold an “All About Accommodations” webinar early 2022.

https://ged.com/about_test/accommodations/
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<td>150 minutes</td>
<td>Includes 45 minutes for extended response (timed separately) and a 10 minute break</td>
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Variety of Item Types

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Schedule GED® Test: Do you want to take your test online or in-person at a test center?

**Online**

Now you can take your GED tests online from the comfort of your home, while securely monitored by an online proctor.
Before you can schedule an online test you need to score ‘Green’ on a GED Ready practice test within the last 60 days in the subject you want to schedule.

Learn more about online testing ›
Run the system test to see if your computer meets requirements ›

**In-Person at a Test Center**

Take your GED test at a test center near you. Take any of the four tests you want.

Due to COVID-19 some test locations may be closed temporarily. Click ‘Schedule at a Test Center’ to find an open testing location near you.
Important Tools for the Classroom

Reasoning through Language Arts, Mathematical Reasoning, Science, and Social Studies
Performance Level Descriptors

- Four Performance Levels
  - Below Passing
  - HSE
  - GED® College Ready
  - GED® College Ready + Credit
- What skills are demonstrated at each level
- What skills need development to advance to the next level

https://ged.com/educators_admins/teaching/teaching_resources/plds/
High-Impact Indicators Relationships

- Show relationships among High Impact Indicators
- Demonstrate interconnectedness across content areas
- Develop skills available for use across a range of learning contexts
GED Ready®: Assessing Readiness

- Three Score Level Indicators on GED Ready®

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GED Score Report:

- GED Ready®
- GED Exam
Evidence that GED® Graduates are better prepared for success in college than ever before
# American Council on Education (ACE) Recommendations for the GED® Test

## GED® College Ready
- Score of 165 - 174 on any content test
- Waived from developmental education in that content requirements/courses
- Waived from placement testing, and
- Placed directly in credit-bearing courses

## GED® College Ready+Credit
- Score of 175 – 200 on any content test
- Same as CR recommendations, plus
- May provide up to 10 semester hours of college credit
GED Score Levels Explained

GED College Ready scores improve the chances for college success.

145
GED Passing Score
To pass the GED test, students need a score of 145 on all four subjects.

165 – 174
GED College Ready
At 165 or higher, students may qualify to bypass placement testing and remedial (non-credit) courses in college.

175 – 200
GED College Ready + Credit
At 175 or higher, students may qualify for up to 10 college credit hours at participating colleges.

Learn more at GED.com/collegeready
BEYOND THE GED® TEST

GED graduates are more prepared for college than ever!

35% enroll in college within a year of earning their GED credential

NEARLY 50% enroll in college within 4 years of earning their GED credential

90%

29%

Before 2014 After 2014

More than 90% stay enrolled semester to semester vs 29% prior to the 2014 test

GED College Ready scores improve the chances for college success.
GED.com for test-takers and educators is full of resources and tools

Resources and Tools for students:

- Test tutorial, free practice test, study guide, videos, GED Ready®, score report, study tips, prep products
- Career assessment and navigation, GED Works™, GEDPrep Connect

Resources and Tools for educators:

- Instructional guides such as our Assessment Guide for Educators and Performance Level Descriptors (PLDs)
- Classroom resources such as our RLA Extended Response Scoring Tool, and Math practice and reference sheets
- GEDPrep Connect
- Professional Development such as our webinar series
Home for GED® Educator Resources

Welcome to the home of the official GED® test. Find everything you need to earn your high school equivalency diploma right here.

https://ged.com/
We understand that COVID-19 (Coronavirus) has impacted your classroom and GED students. To help you continue to teach your students from a distance, we’ve put together some helpful resources.

GED Program Overview

Why GED?
For more than 75 years, the GED has been a path to a better future for millions, the only high school equivalency program with proven outcomes and accepted by virtually all U.S. colleges and employers.

College Readiness
GED students who attain scores on any subject within the College Ready or College Ready + Credit score levels may be eligible for college credit or certain exemptions.

Workforce Development
The GED program ensures you are preparing learners for positive outcomes. In line with the expectations of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) our program includes robust reporting capabilities, career resources, college ready score levels, employer partnerships and more.

GEDWorks™

In Session Blog

Learn More
In summary

- **Human Resources**
  - State Relationship Managers (SRMs)
  - GEDTS Operations Team
  - Pearson VUE partners

*And don’t forget…*
Thank You!

Let’s stay connected
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