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SUBJECT: NYS High School Equivalency Exam

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The New York State Education Department (NYSED) has contracted with the GED Testing Service (GEDTS) for the provision of the NYS High School Equivalency (HSE) exam, beginning in January 2022. The GED exam is a well-recognized test of the academic knowledge and skills needed for college and career readiness as defined by NYSED standards for adult education. The GED is currently used by over 40 states and previously served as the NYS HSE exam from the 1940s - 2014 when the Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC) was adopted. The Data Recognition Corporation (DRC) is discontinuing the TASC effective December 31, 2021.

The adoption of GED will require significant changes in the registration, scheduling, administration, and processing of exams. Please see important information and recorded training sessions on the HSE homepage, under Announcements: <http://www.acces.nysed.gov/hse/high-school-equivalency-hse>

Thank you.