

Education: General Education Development (GED) Program

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The Education Program provides students with the opportunity to obtain an alternative diploma whenever appropriate. The High School Equivalency Diploma Program, also known as GED (General Education Development), has the objective of awarding Senior High School Equivalency Diplomas to persons who successfully complete a series of five tests.

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- A. A component of the educational program includes an assessment of the appropriateness of enrolling students in the General Education Development (GED) Program. The assessment determines the student's desire and ability to obtain a GED. This program is provided at no cost to the students.
- B. At a minimum, students must also meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - 1. Have attained 16 years of age;
 - 2. Not be enrolled or required to be enrolled in high school under State law;
 - 3. Lack sufficient mastery of basic educational skills that allow them to reach their full potential;
 - 4. Not have a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent (GED).
- C. The successful preparation and subsequent GED examination includes the following subject areas:
 - 1. Writing Skills, Part I : Sentence structure, Usage, Spelling, punctuation, capitalization
 - 2. Writing Skills, Part II: Essay
 - 3. Social Studies: History, Economics, Political science, Geography, Behavioral sciences
 - 4. Science: Life science, Physical sciences
 - 5. Interpreting Literature and the Arts: Popular literature, Classical literature, Commentary on literature and the arts
 - 6. Mathematics: Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry
- D. Students must receive a passing score of 2,250 with an average score of 450 (but no test below the score of 410) in all subject areas before they can receive a GED.