

GED

General Education Development Test



ALL SERVICES PROVIDED TO PARTICIPANTS ARE FREE OF CHARGE!

Frequently Asked Questions :



What is the GED?

GED traditionally stands for **The General Educational Development Test**. It is a series of tests measuring your high school level of knowledge and skills. Passing the GED exam will earn you a state high school diploma and recognition that you have a high school level of education.

How old do I need to be to be to take the test?

In the State of Florida GED candidates must be at least 18 years of age or older to take the GED® test.

I'm underage. What do I need to do to take the test?

Florida statute allows underage GED testing for 16 and 17-year-olds under extraordinary circumstances based on rules set by the school district in which an individual lives or goes to school. Each school district has different requirements individuals must meet to qualify for an age waiver. Once you meet the school district requirements, the school district staff member will be responsible for sending the age waiver to the Florida GED testing office for processing. If you have any questions about the underage testing process, please call (850) 245-0449 or via email at GEDagewaiver@fldoe.org. For those testing on the Online Exam – A parent or guardian must be present at the pre-test check-in to give consent and authorize the underage tester to be recorded during testing. If the parent or guardian is not present, the exam session will be revoked.

Do I need to take a GED® class or receive instruction from a local prep center before I can take the test?

If you are 18 years or older, you don't need to take a GED® class before taking the GED® test. If you are 16 or 17 years old, you may have to take classes. You must contact a representative from the district in which you live or go to school for information on the specific requirements for testing.

Assessment Information

Practice Tests

- Taken online, at your convenience
- Timed, just like the actual exams
- Half the length of actual exams
- Scoring:
 - 145-200 = Likely to pass
 - 134-144 = Too close to call
 - 100-133 = Not likely to pass

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Examinations

- Taken in-person
- Four Subjects:
 - Mathematical Reasoning
 - 2 parts; 115 minutes total
 - Reasoning Through Language Arts
 - 3 sections; 150 minutes total
 - Social Studies
 - 1 part; 70 minutes
 - Science
 - 1 part; 90 minutes

Age and other testing requirements vary by area. Pricing and retake rules may unexpectedly change at any time.

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Contact Us

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How can The EOC assist you?

Services:

1 First, we will assist you with filling out an application to **become an EOC participant**

2 Upon becoming a participant, we provide the following:

- a. **GED Voucher Codes** for –
 - i. GED Ready® Practice Tests (Online)
 - ii. GED® Tests (In-Person)
- b. **GED Preparation Book;** &
- c. **Calculator,** if necessary

3 We help you register for and navigate <https://ged.com>

4 Connect you with our **Tutoring Lab**, so they can serve your GED learning needs:

Student Union West, Room 82
Monday - Thursday
8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Test Subjects:

Mathematical Reasoning



Reasoning Through Language Arts



Social Studies



Science



TRIO Educational Opportunity Center

• Student Union West, Room 88

Testing Center

• Student Union West, Room 80

***TESTING IS AVAILABLE HERE AT GULF COAST STATE COLLEGE!**

How to Get a GED in Florida

To get your Florida GED, you cannot already have a high school diploma or equivalent. You must also be unenrolled in any accredited high school. Additionally, you must be at least 18 years of age or, if younger, have a waiver from your local school board.

You don't have to be a resident of Florida to earn your GED here. You simply need to prepare for the test. If you want to take the test at one of Florida's in-person testing centers, you do not need to take a GED prep course or the GED Ready practice test.

It usually takes GED students, on average, between 2-3 months to fully prepare. After successful completion and a passing score, the State of Florida will award you a certificate that shows you've acquired the same level of knowledge as a high school graduate!

Do I have to take the GED Ready® practice test before testing?

If you are 18 years or older, you don't need to take the GED Ready® practice test before taking the GED® test.

If you are 16 or 17 years old, you may have to take and achieve a specific score on the GED Ready® practice test. You must contact a representative from the district in which you live or go to school for information on the specific requirements for testing.

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