GED® FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN HOME INSTRUCTION

GET YOUR MARYLAND HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA!

THE BENEFITS OF PASSING THE GED® TEST

Home Instructed students can earn a *Maryland High School Diploma!* Increase lifetime earnings. A high school diploma is required for almost all employment, training programs, apprenticeships, higher education, improved job opportunities.

THE GED® TEST

The GED[®] test is a computer based high school equivalency exam demonstrating high school level competencies taken at an authorized GED Test Center. Content modules:

Mathematical Reasoning (Math) Reasoning through Language Arts (RLA) Science Social Studies

The test is available in English and Spanish; however, the RLA module must be taken in English.

ELIGIBILITY-AGE

Begin by registering at GED.com. (free). Students ages 16,17 or18 cannot complete registration until the Age Exception has been removed. However, students enrolled in Home Instruction programs may test at age 16, 17, or 18 with verification of enrollment. *Home Instruction Verification Form is at*

https://www.dllr.state.md.us/forms/gedhomeschoolverification.pdf

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE TEST CENTER

Bring one of the following when you test at an authorized Pearson VUE GED test center.

- Valid (not expired) Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) Driver's License, Learner's Permit or ID Card.
- Active Duty Military Dependent's Identification Card
- Passport or other government issued document AND another document proving Maryland residency such as bank statement; energy, cable, phone bill or lease.

GED® TEST PREPARATION

Visit GED.com for information about each module, study tips, and testing procedures.

- Test yourself with free sample items on each module: https://ged.com/study/free online ged test/
- ➤ Take the Official Practice test, GED Ready[™], to determine your readiness to take the GED[®] test.
- Visit local libraries for resources, materials, and information about community organizations, literacy councils, youth councils (not available in all jurisdictions)
- Purchase GED[®] study materials and prepare to take the GED[®] test on your own. Go to <u>www.ged.com</u> and click on "Get Study Materials."

ACCOMMODATIONS

If requesting GED[®] test accommodations, check the appropriate box during the registration process for further instructions and documentation required.

TESTING & RETESTING FEES

In Person Testing: Maryland subsidizes the cost of the *first attempt* of each module. **Must use Voucher Code MDGED1875** to receive the discount price of \$11.25 per module. There is no discount for any retesting. *Online Proctored (OP) Testing*: Available to testers 18 and older who meet eligibility. The cost is \$17.25 per module with the discount. OP retests cost \$36.00 each.

SCHEDULING

Go to <u>https://ged.com/about_test/scheduling/</u> to select a test center anywhere in Maryland to schedule a date and time to test. You do not have to test in the jurisdiction where you live. Schedule no more than two modules a day for greater success.

SCORING

The following is the scoring range for each test module:

Below Passing Score	100-144
Passing Score	145-169
College Ready	165-174
College Ready Plus Credit*	175-200

Testers should check their My ${\sf GED} \ensuremath{\mathbb{R}}$ page within 24 hours of testing to obtain their test scores.

*Some colleges accept College Ready Plus Credit scores in lieu of college placement testing.

DIPLOMAS AND TRANSCRIPTS

Passers of all four modules will immediately receive information about ordering their FREE Transcript and Diploma via their GED® email account. Documents may be ordered for electronic delivery (immediate) or paper copies (sent by mail).

Additional transcripts and diplomas, either electronic or paper, may be purchased by visiting <u>www.ged.com</u> under *Grads and Transcripts*. There is a fee.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS ABOUT THE GED® TEST?

For frequently asked questions, visit GED Testing Service[®] https://ged.com/faqs/top-faqs/

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