



What You Should Know About High School Equivalency

Earning a high school equivalency credential is an alternative option for out-of-school youth and adults to demonstrate their high school competency skills.

What should I know about the current High School Equivalency market?

- Test takers do not earn a “GED®”; they earn a high school equivalency certificate issued by their state or tribal education agency.
- In the past, the GED® test was the only way states could measure a student’s high school equivalency skills. However, in 2014 a number of states adopted low-cost alternative tests that are both accessible and meet their standards for a high school equivalency certificate. Currently, there are two alternative test options, the *HiSET*® exam from nonprofit Educational Testing Service (ETS) and the Test Assessing Secondary Completion™ (TASC™) from CTB/McGraw-Hill.
- All three test options — the HiSET exam, the TASC™ test and the GED® test — assess the same high school competency skills (mathematics, science, social studies, reading and writing) and allow someone to earn a high school equivalency credential from their state or tribal education agency.

What should I know about the HiSET exam from ETS?

- Currently administered in more than 12 states and jurisdictions.
- Available in both paper- and computer-based formats. Test takers who have access to and are comfortable using a computer can take the exam without having access to the Internet.
- Offered in both English and Spanish.
- Provides an array of free test prep resources, including a video, study companion, practice tests and sample test questions.
- Currently the least expensive high school equivalency test on the market, eliminating barriers toward education goals.
- Provides free, specialized on-site training for corrections facilities staff and test administrators.

Out-of-school youth and adults deserve the best opportunity to demonstrate their high school-level proficiency and their readiness for higher education or the workplace.

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RECORD KEEPER

DiplomaSender™ is a website for high school equivalency test takers to access their official testing record. We offer free access to review their test scores, see their diploma & transcript, and direct assistance in ordering and answering their questions.

DOCUMENT FINDER

The DiplomaSender™ website offers a quick and convenient method for test takers and third party agencies to purchase documents and have them delivered by postal mail, fax, or email.

DIPLOMA VERIFIER

The DiplomaSender™ website services background screening, court systems, and educational organizations. These agencies use our services to verify the test taker's educational attainment.

DATA MANAGER

DiplomaSender™ is also a database service for the reporting requirements of adult education, corrections, and high school equivalency programs; matching test taker results with student records. Custom reports are available to portray selective information.

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