

GED Registration Checklist

1. Have you taken the test before?

If you tested in the last six months and failed a subject, you must have a letter from a certified instructor of an adult education program stating you are prepared to make a passing score upon retesting. There is no waiting period for re-tests if you scored a "410" or higher on that subject.

2. Who can take the GED?

- If you are 16, you must have a court order from a judge.
- If you are 17, you must complete a TEA Withdrawal form which you can obtain from our office. The withdrawal form must be completed by your parent or legal guardian and the school administrator from the last high school you attended.
- If you are 18 or older and have not graduated from an accredited high school.

3. Do you have the appropriate identification?

You must have one of the following current documents:

- a government-issued photo identification,
- a Texas driver's license,
- A passport,
- An identification card from the Texas Department of Public Safety,
- Or a driver's license from another state and the temporary card issued by Texas Department of Public Safety showing you have applied for a Texas driver's license.

4. How often can you take the GED?

Three times each year, providing an alternate form of the test is available.

5. How much does the test cost?

The test is currently \$80.00 for the full test, and \$10.00 per subject for retests.

6. When will you receive your results?

The Texas Education Agency will mail your results to you approximately four weeks after testing.

7. What if I arrive five minutes late?

Late arrivals are not permitted into the testing room. TEA is very strict in handling late arrivals. Once the testing door closes no one can be admitted. We suggest you arrive 30 minutes before your scheduled test time.

8. Can I take this test on the Internet?

No, this test is only valid when administered under an official testing center.

9. What can I use to study for the GED?

There are GED Preparation books for sale in the campus bookstore, Barnes & Noble bookstores, and Borders bookstores.

Please bring on test day:

- Texas I.D. or Driver's License
- Jacket or sweater
- Lunch

Parking: There is a parking shortage at certain times of the day. You are advised to arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled testing time. **DO NOT PARK IN STAFF PARKING AT ANYTIME. YOU WILL RECEIVE A SJCD TICKET.**

TEST SCHEDULE

September 16 & 30

October 14 & 28

All subjects will be administered in one day. Report time will be at 7:30 a.m. if you are taking all subjects.

Examinees can log onto

<https://utdirect.utexas.edu/ecweb/ged/demo> to complete the online demographic form. This form can be completed before the registration date at home or at the campus on registration day.

TESTING DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

SAN JACINTO COLLEGE CENTRAL

GED

General Educational Development 2010 Information

San Jacinto College Central
Testing Center
8060 Spencer Highway
Administration Building
Room 133, 1st Floor
Pasadena, Texas 77505
(281) 998-6150 ext. 2025
Fax: (281) 478-3604

Registration Hours
Every Monday Except Holidays
9 a.m.—11 a.m. and 4 p.m.—6 p.m.
Administration Building, Room 133

SJCC CRITERIA FOR GED TESTING

There will be no GED testing in January. Anyone who has not passed the GED prior to January 2002 must re-take the full exam.

In order to be registered for the GED, you must pre-register prior to taking the GED test. Monday from 9am—11am and 4pm—6pm. Pre-registration is not held on holidays. Failure to follow proper registration guidelines may lead to delay in registration resulting in a delay in your test date.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

You are eligible to take tests if you are not enrolled in and have not graduated from high school and you meet the requirements set by your state, territory, or province with regard to age, the length of time since you left school, and residency. If you are currently 17 YEARS OF AGE, and you were not enrolled in any type of in-school GED program; YOU MUST BRING A PERMISSION SLIP SIGNED BY YOUR PARENT OR GUARDIAN AND THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE OF THE SCHOOL YOU LAST ATTENDED TO THE ORIENTATION SESSION. IF YOU ARE 16 YEARS OF AGE, YOU MAY ONLY TEST IF YOU HAVE A COURT ORDER FROM A JUDGE AND A PERMISSION SLIP SIGNED BY YOUR PARENT OR GUARDIAN. Please check with the Examiner for approval. You must bring an acceptable picture ID, and Social Security Card. If you do not have Social Security Number talk to the Examiner; other options that are available in these cases.

ADULT EDUCATION AND GED PREPARATION PROGRAMS

Programs that pay test registration fees for their participants should submit documentation to the business office before the scheduled registration date.

TEST DESCRIPTION

The GED Test battery consists of five separately timed tests that cover five main areas of high school study. **Please report at least 15 minutes before the scheduled time for any session for which you need to test. Late arrivals will not be admitted.** These tests are:

- **Mathematics (Test 1)** - This test contains questions about general math, geometry, and elementary algebra. TIME LIMIT IS 90 MINUTES, which is divided into (2) 45 MINUTES SECTIONS.
- **Language Arts Writing Skills (Test 2)** - This test contains questions about spelling, capitalization, punctuation, logic, organization, usage, and sentence structure. TIME LIMIT IS 2 HOURS, which is divided into 2 parts: 75 MINUTES for the Objective portion and 45 MINUTES for the Essay.
- **Science (Test 3)** - This test has two parts. The first part contains questions based on general concepts in science. The second part contains several reading passages. Each passage is followed by a number of multiple choice questions related to its content. TIME LIMIT IS 80 MINUTES.
- **Social Studies (Test 4)** - This test contains questions based on maps, graphs, charts, cartoons and short reading passages related to social studies. TIME LIMIT 70 MINUTES.
- **Language Arts Reading Skills (Test 5)** - This test contains various kinds of reading materials. Most questions follow a selection, which may be from a literary work, newspapers, a magazine, a recipe, etc. TIME LIMIT IS 65 MINUTES.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

If you are seeking special accommodations on the basis of a learning disability or attention deficit/hyperactivity disorders, please notify our office at least four weeks prior to the requested testing date so the proper Texas Education Agency approval is obtained.

AFTER THE TEST

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) will send scores to you approximately four weeks after the test date. If you do not receive your scores please contact the testing center at San Jacinto College Central at (281) 998-6150 or contact Texas Education Agency at (512) 463-9292.

If there is an error in your file TEA will notify you and request additional information. They will only make one attempt to notify you, if your address has changed the letter will go back to TEA and nothing will occur until you contact them.

As of January 1, 2002 the minimum passing score on the GED is 410 on each test and an average of 450 on the full test. If you do not pass a particular part, you must either complete a GED preparation course or wait six months before testing again.

Additional score reports or certificates may only be obtained from Texas Education Agency.

To see if a GED certificate has been issued, visit the following website: www.texged.com

RETEST POLICY

Retesting is permitted on tests failed if the following conditions are met. A GED Scores Report from TEA is presented at the registration, and:

1. Six months passes between each testing; or
2. Three retests have not been taken in the last year; or
3. Examinee presents a letter from a certified tutor or instructor of an adult education program stating the examinee has had instruction and is prepared to make a passing score upon retesting.
4. If an examinee passes a subject with a score of "410" or higher then the waiting period does not apply.