

Overview of High School Equivalency Program Requirements and Tests

An alternative method of achieving a high school credential in Michigan is to successfully complete one of three State approved equivalency tests.

GED (General Educational Development) Testing Program

HiSET Testing Program -Beginning in September 2017

TASC (Test Assessing Secondary Completion) Testing Service -Beginning in September 2017

Michigan Residency Requirement:

Testers are not required to be Michigan residents in order to test in the State of Michigan.

Age Requirement for Testing:

- Individuals must be 16 years of age
- Must have been out of regular school programming for one calendar year*

*Waiver: One calendar year may be waived if it is in the best interest of the individual as determined by the student and a school district's superintendent or designee and parent/guardian or is court ordered. Michigan National Guard Youth Challenge Program graduates who are at least 16 years of age and no longer enrolled in high school are eligible for testing upon completion of the program.

Comparisons of the GED, HiSET, TASC Testing Programs

		Coming in Fall 2017	
	GED Testing Services/GEDTS	HiSET Educational Testing Service/ETS	TASC Data Recognition Corp/DRC
Overview	Computer Based Testing- only	Paper and Computer Based Testing	Paper and Computer Based Testing
Cost	\$37.50 per content area \$150 for complete exam	\$24 per content area \$120 for complete exam	\$24.80 per content area \$124 for complete exam
Testing Content	4 Modules: Reading and Writing Mathematics Social Studies Science	5 Modules: LA Reading LA Writing Mathematics Social Studies Science	5 Modules: Reading Literacy Writing Mathematics Social Studies Science
Scoring (each subject)	Score Range: 100-200 HSE Passing: 145-164 College Ready: 165-174	Score Range: 1-20 HSE Passing: 8 out of 20 Essay 2 out of 6 Combined score: 45	Score Range: 300-800 HSE Passing: 500 Essay 2 out of 8 College Ready:

	College Ready/Credit 175-200	College Ready: 15	Reading 580 Mathematics 560 Writing 560 Essay 6+out of 8
Website	https://ged.com/	https://hiset.ets.org/	http://www.tasctest.com
Phone	888-906-4031	855-694-4738	888-282-0589

Requirements for retesting:

Test	Requirements
GED	Test takers are permitted to take a test module and two subsequent module retests with no restrictions between retakes. If a test taker fails the second or any subsequent retest, the test taker must wait 60 days for each successive attempt.
HiSet	Test takers are permitted to take a module and two subsequent module retests within a 12-month period from date of purchase. Test takers must complete the full battery before retesting for subjects that have not been passed.
TASC	Test takers are permitted to take a test module and two subsequent module retests, with no restrictions between retakes. If a test taker fails the second or any subsequent retest, the test taker must wait 60 days for each successive attempt.

Official Transcripts:

Test scores are accepted as official only when reported directly by:

- Official HSE Testing Centers
- Transcript Service of the Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education support (DANTES)
- GED Testing Service(GED)
- Educational Testing Service (HiSET)
- Data Recognition Corporation (TASC)
- Talent Investment Agency, State of Michigan HSE Office

Michigan Public Act 249 of 2016
Michigan High School Equivalency Jurisdictional Requirements Memorandum
Department of Talent and Economic Development

Accessing GED Preparation Instruction:

Currently, GED Preparation Instruction is available through:

- Region 10 Adult Education Programs

- Michigan Works! One Stops