

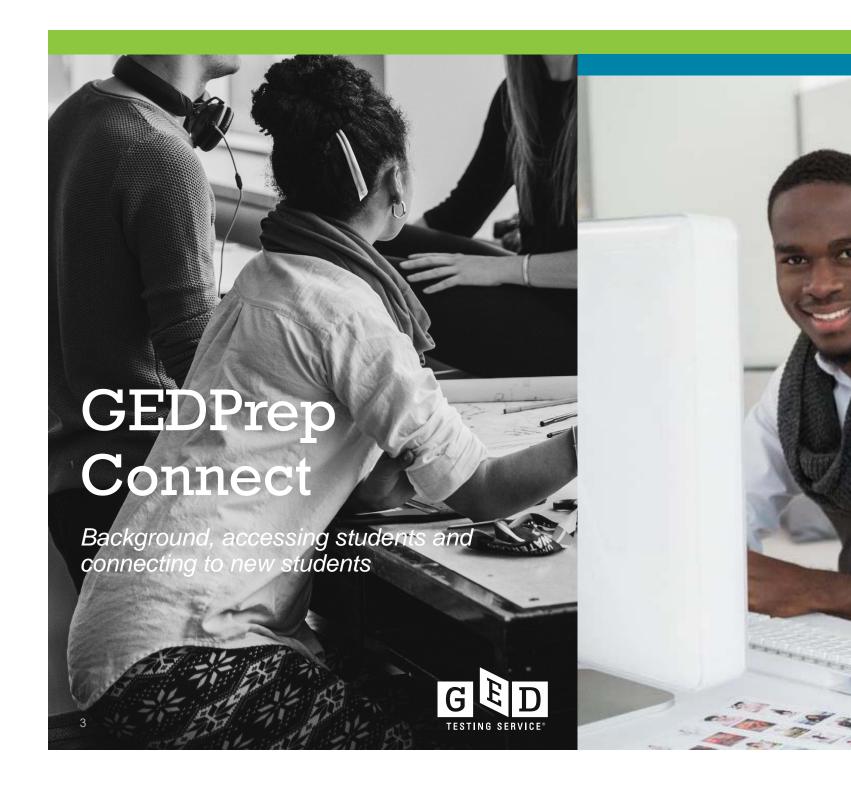
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Agenda

- Background on GEDPrep™ Connect
- Best practices for using GEDPrep™ Connect
- Accessing and using GED Manager
- New GED.com account changes





Background

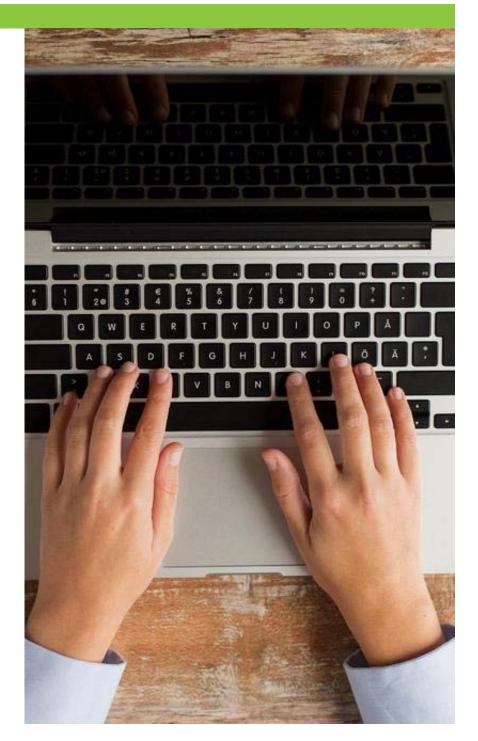
- Increase awareness of Adult Education programs with GED® candidates
- Connect more students with programs to drive completion and success rates
- Promote programs through GED.com
- Improve Adult Education programs' access and management of student information



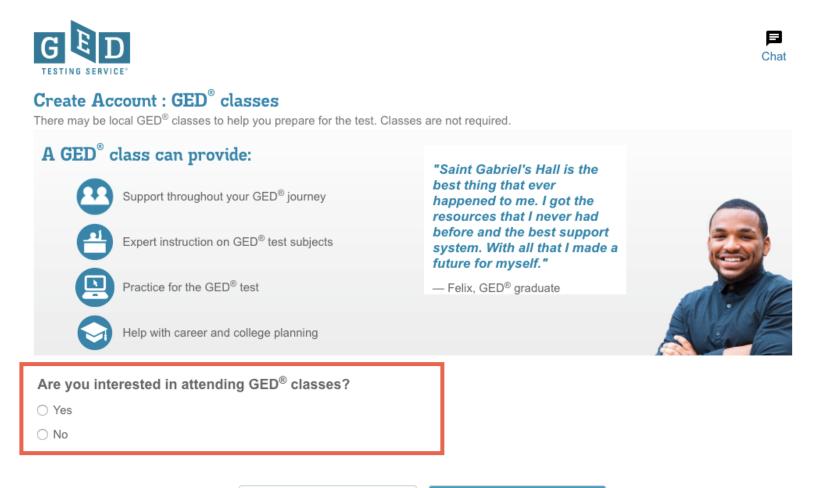
A variety of ways that students can share scores with your program

- At the time of creating their account on GED.com
- From their profile page
- From the scores page
- From their score report





At the time of GED.com Account Creation – student sees this question



Continue

Back



If yes, student is routed to GED Test Prep Center Selection page





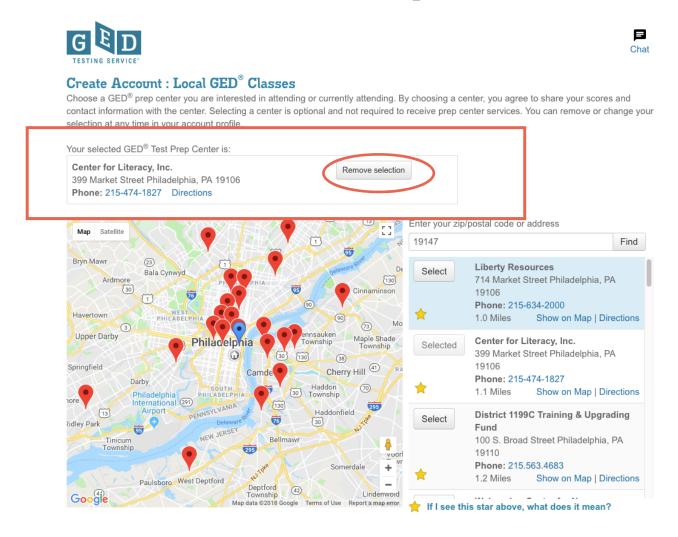
Create Account: Local GED® Classes

Choose a GED® prep center you are interested in attending or currently attending. By choosing a center, you agree to share your scores and contact information with the center. Selecting a center is optional and not required to receive prep center services. You can remove or change your selection at any time in your account profile.

Not interested in GED® classes? Continue without choosing a GED® prep center. Enter your zip/postal code or address Map 19147 Find Bryn Mawr Liberty Resources Bala Cynwyd Select Ardmore (130) 714 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19106 Cinnaminson Phone: 215-634-2000 1.0 Miles Show on Map | Directions Havertown Center for Literacy, Inc. Select Upper Darby Maple Shade 399 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19106 Township Phone: 215-474-1827 Cherry Hill 41 Springfield 1.1 Miles Show on Map | Directions Darby Haddon District 1199C Training & Upgrading (30) PHILADELPHIA Township Select International (291) Haddonfield 100 S. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA ≀idley Park 19110 Tinicum Phone: 215.563.4683 Township 1.2 Miles Show on Map | Directions YUOI Somerdale Welcoming Center for New Paulsboro West Deptford Select Deptford Pennsylvanians Goodle Map data @2018 Google Terms of Use Report a map error 👚 If I see this star above, what does it mean?



Once a program is selected, student has option to remove at any time





Selecting a program is optional; student may select a program later

- Student will be reminded throughout their GED journey to connect with a program
 - GED.com home page
 - Account profile
 - Study page
 - Scores page
 - Score report



GED.com Home Page – before log-in

All GED® candidates are encouraged to seek local help to study and pass the test

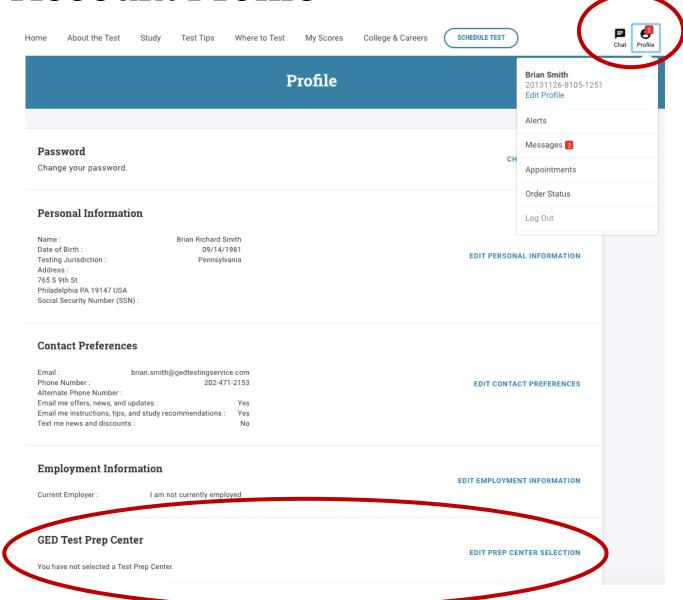
Home / Study / GED Classes

GED[®] Classes

Study at your own pace. Whether you prefer the experience of a traditional classroom or prefer to study remotely, we have you covered.



GED Account Profile





Study Page Reminder: Find GED Classes

Study

No matter how you like to learn, let us help you study for the GED® test.





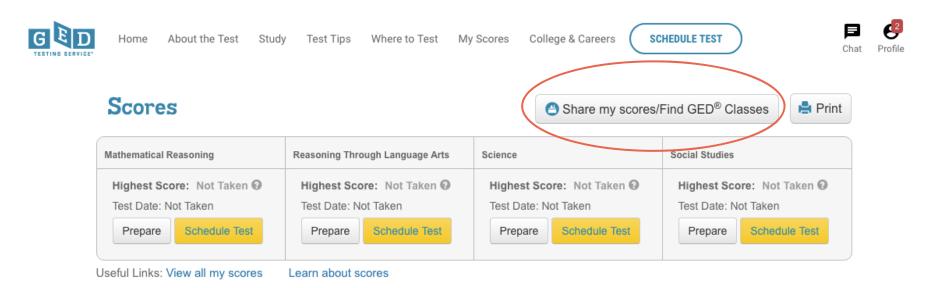
Practice questions and the GED Ready[®] practice test



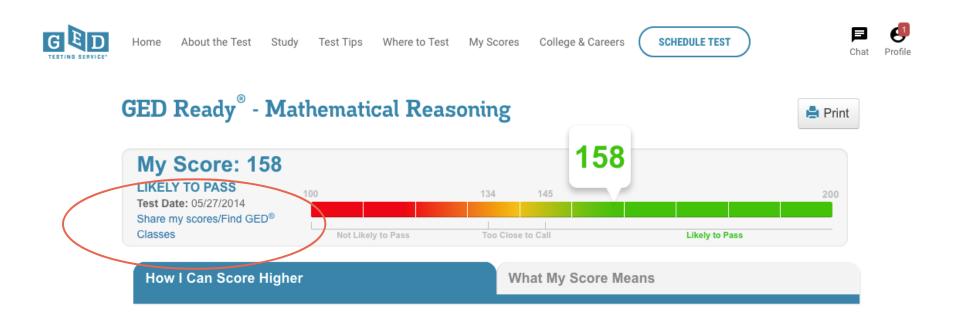




Share My Scores now easier to find on Scores page...



And on all of their Score Reports





Test-taker is not mandated to select an Adult Ed Center

- About 70% of test-takers do NOT access adult ed
- Students should be encouraged by their teacher to select their Adult Ed Center in GED.com to share their scores
- Several opportunities for selecting an Adult Ed Center are presented to the test-taker
- If a test-taker does NOT select an Adult Ed Center, scores will not be shared





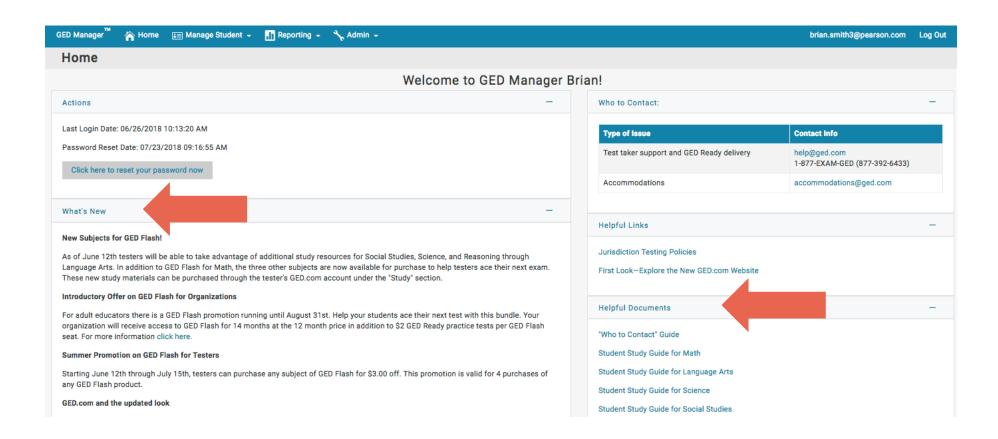
Let's look at ways to use this information

- Students select an adult education center when:
 - they need to locate a center and get more information from you
 - or when they are your student and want to share their scores with you
- It's important to review this information and determine what each person needs
 - If they are not your student, they are needing you to reach out to them and welcome them to join you
 - If they are your student, you need to change their status so you can tell which entries are potential students needing to be contacted
- You will need access to GED Manager (we will cover how to get this access)

Let's look at what it can do for you!

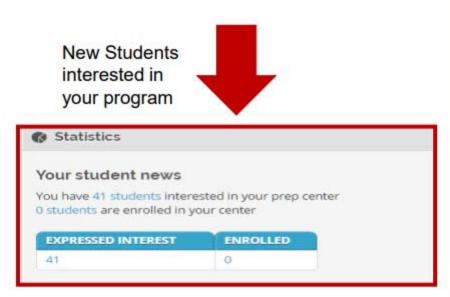


Adult Educator's home page

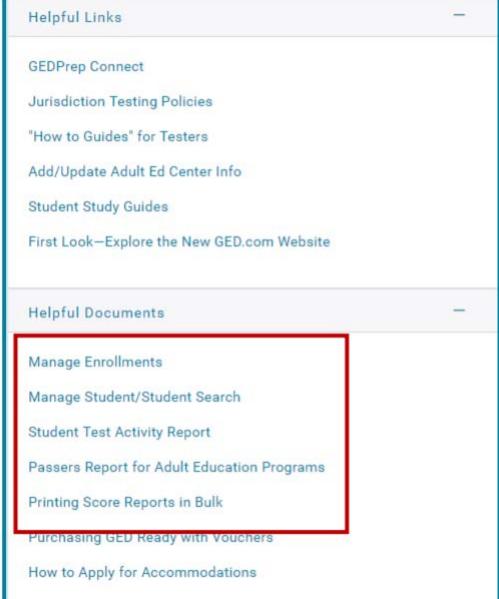




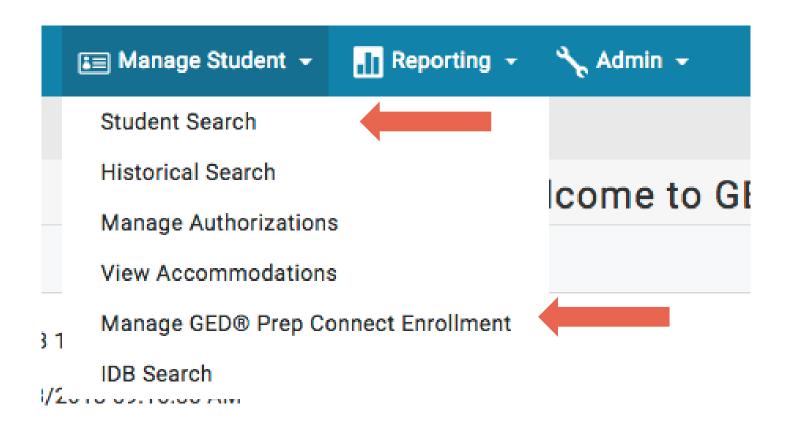
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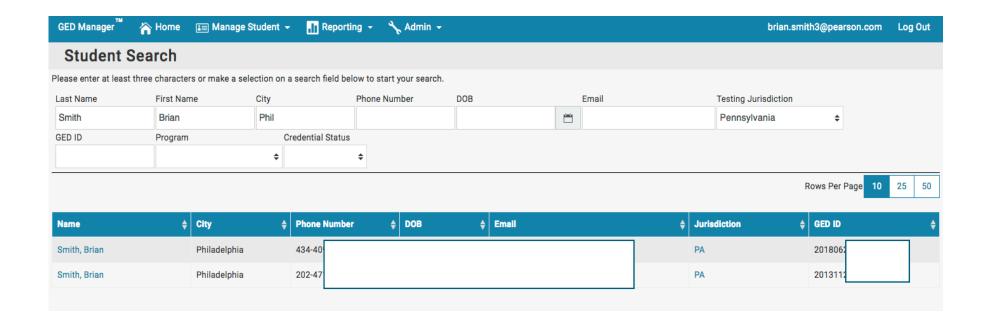
Manage Student Options





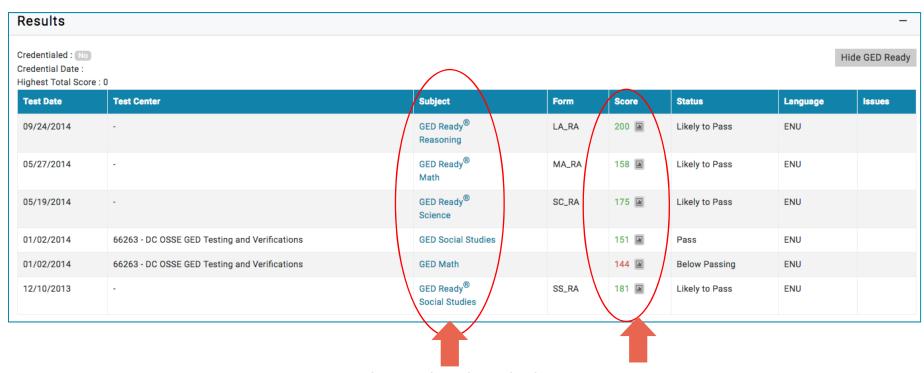
Manage Student → Student Search

- You can look up one student at a time if you need to find specific information
- When you click on the student's name, you find out additional details about his/her activity, including test scores and demographic information





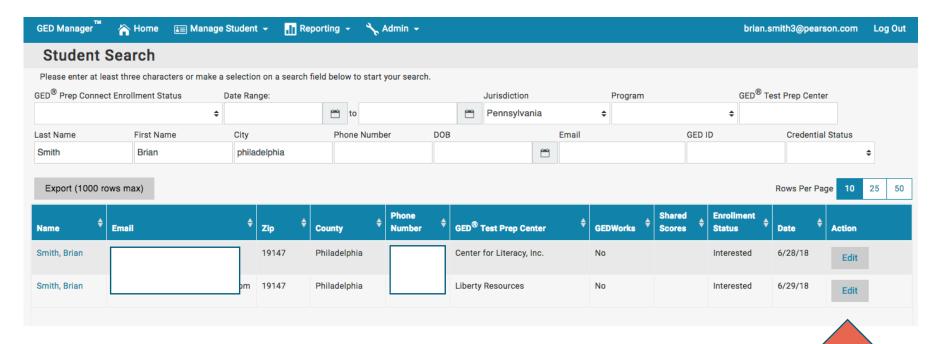
Student scores and score reports



Links to the detailed score report



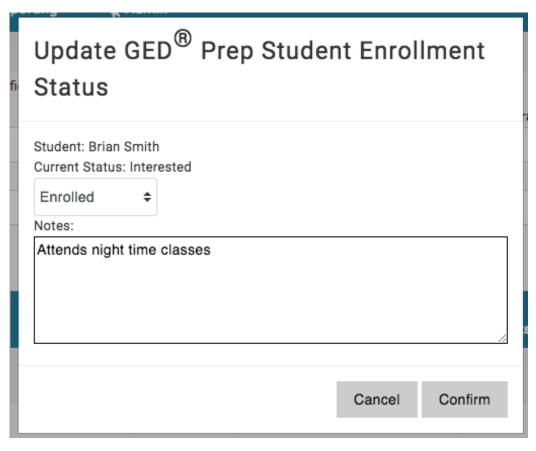
Manage Student → Manage GEDPrep Connect Enrollment



- Adult Educators can sort by one student or groups of students and export the results sorting by date, enrollment status or credential status
- Educators can edit the status of a student from 'Interested' to 'Contacted,' 'Dismissed," or 'Enrolled' and write notes about the students



Important to know who is an enrolled student vs. an interested student



Educators will also see students' information who are interested in a program but not currently enrolled

It is up to the adult education program to reach out to those students to get them to enroll

It makes running reports of your current students much easier



Contacted Students – Hover over icon to view previous comments

NAME \$	EMAIL	ZIP ‡	COUNTY	PHONE NUMBER	GED® TEST PREP CENTER *	GEDWORKS	ENROLLMENT STATUS	DATE \$	ACTION
Educator, Wanta	wantabe@prep.com	55372		623-514- 5555	Shakopee ABE	No	Contacted &	10/10/16	Edit
NoABE, GEDworks	gedworks@abe.com	55372		632-565- 2222	Shakopee ABE	Yes	Contacted	10/10/16	Edit
Matheson, Minnie	mn@adulted.com	55344		612-356- 2444	Shakopee ABE	No	Contacted	10/11/16	Edit
Tester, 500911 10/11/16	PrepConnectReportTes20161011e1f-b247- f43e173a4aff@ged.com	90210		303-001- 4717	Beverly Hills Adult School	No	Contacted	10/11/16	Edit
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Tips for outreach to interested students

- Make sure you update the status of the students in your program
- Successful programs have teachers assigned to monitor GEDPrep Connect enrollment and reach out to Interested students
- Do not be afraid to call or email students they shared their contact information for a reason!
- Consider using Remind.com to streamline outreach



Example of text message outreach via Remind.com

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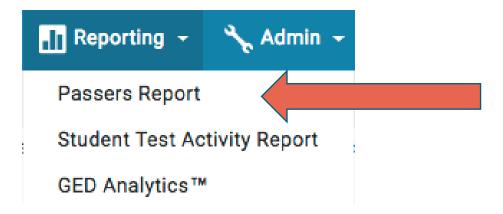
Il joined NEISD GED(R) WAITING LIST.

Hello. MyGED.com provided your name and contact information. I am eager to help you get started with earning your High School Equivalency. Open Enrollment class is available at 2614 Walzem Road. Please reply here if you have any questions. You should also visit our website: neisd.net/community





Reporting

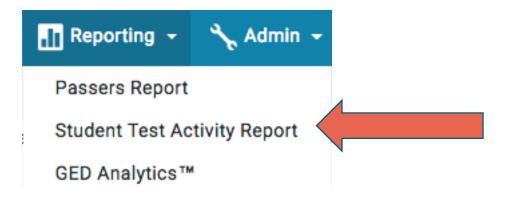


Passers Report

This will allow an educator to run only the passers over a certain time period



Reporting



Student Test Activity Report

- This allows educators to run reports based on testing activity i.e. GED Ready Reds, GED Ready Greens, GED Passed, GED Below Passing, etc.
- You can also sort by test subject



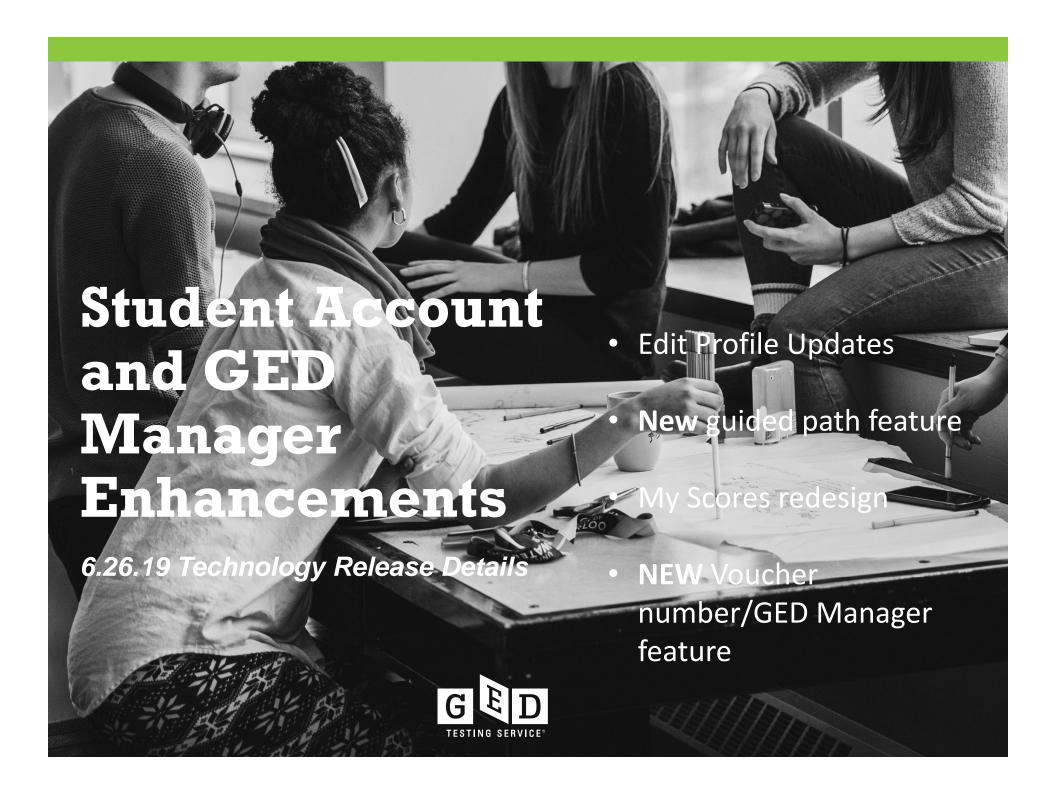
Student Test Activity Report

You can easily ...

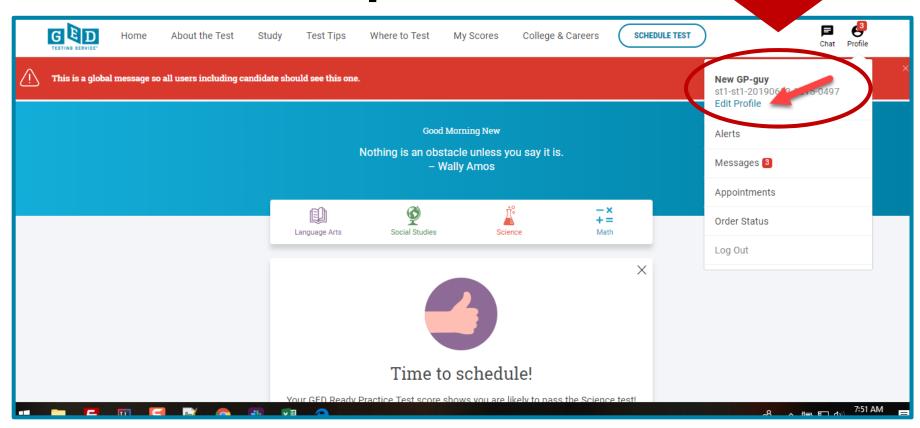
- Sort by any category
- Print Score Reports
- Export the data into Excel

Print Score Reports (1000 rows max) Export (1000 rows max) 25 50										
Name		Testing Activity	Date	† Test ‡	Subject	♦ Score ♦	Credentialed \$	GED [®] Test Prep Center \$	GEDWorks	
Smith, Brian	brian.smith@gedtestingservice.	GED Ready Green	12/10/2013	GED Ready [®]	Social Studies	181 🗃	No	Liberty Resources	No	
Smith, Brian	brian.smith@gedtestingservice.	GED Below Passing	01/02/2014	GED	Math	144 🛦	No	Liberty Resources	No	
Smith, Brian	brian.smith@gedtestingservice.	GED Passed	01/02/2014	GED	Social Studies	151 🛦	No	Liberty Resources	No	
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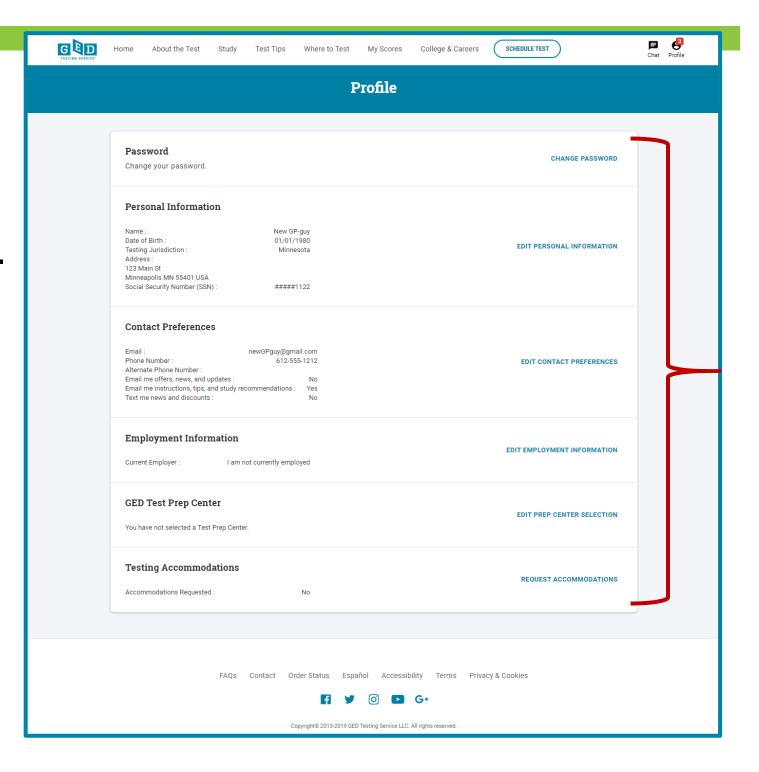


Edit Profile Updates

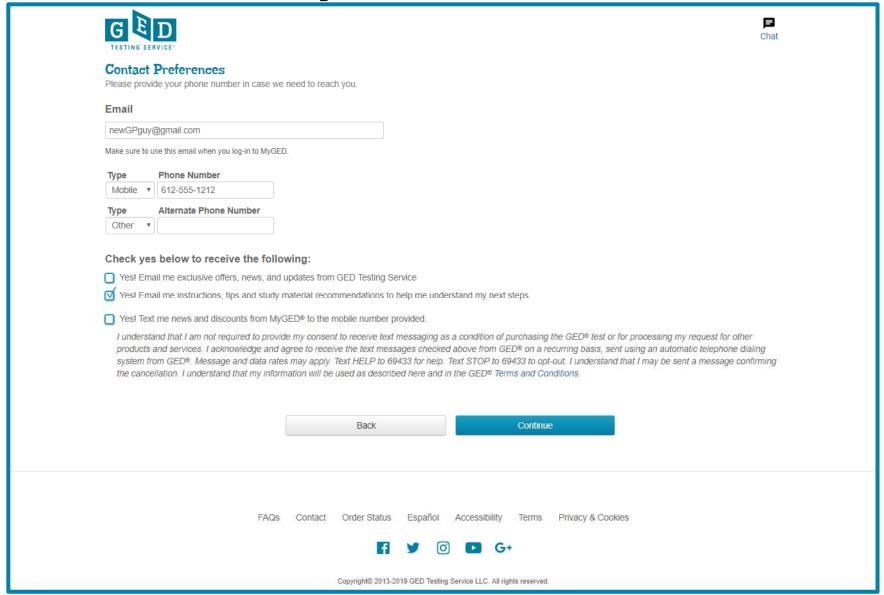




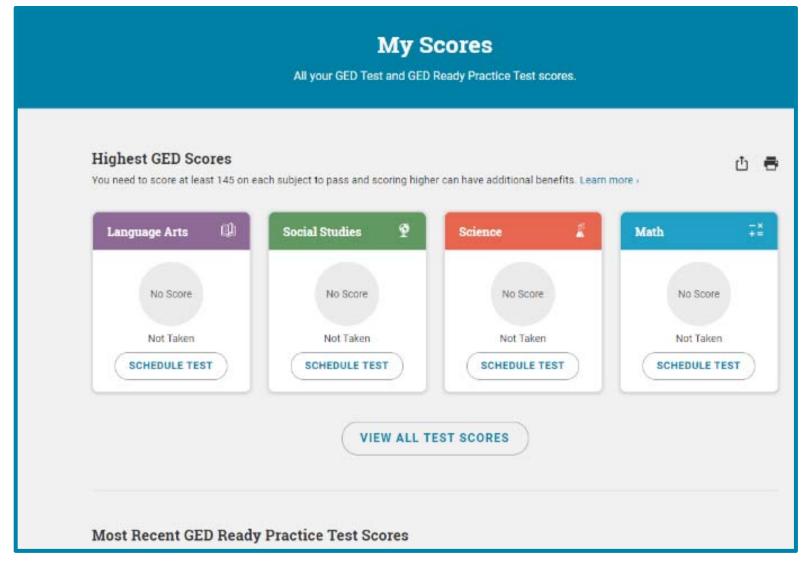
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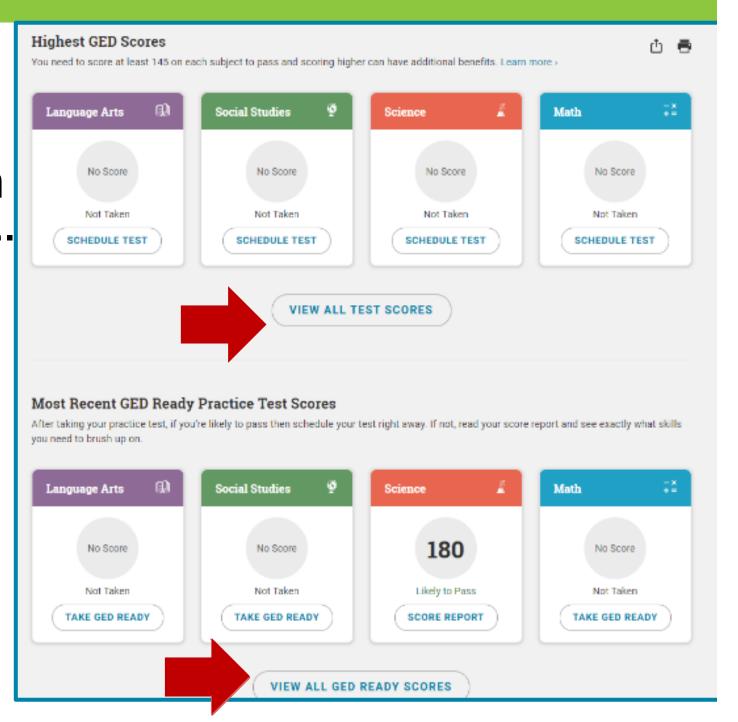


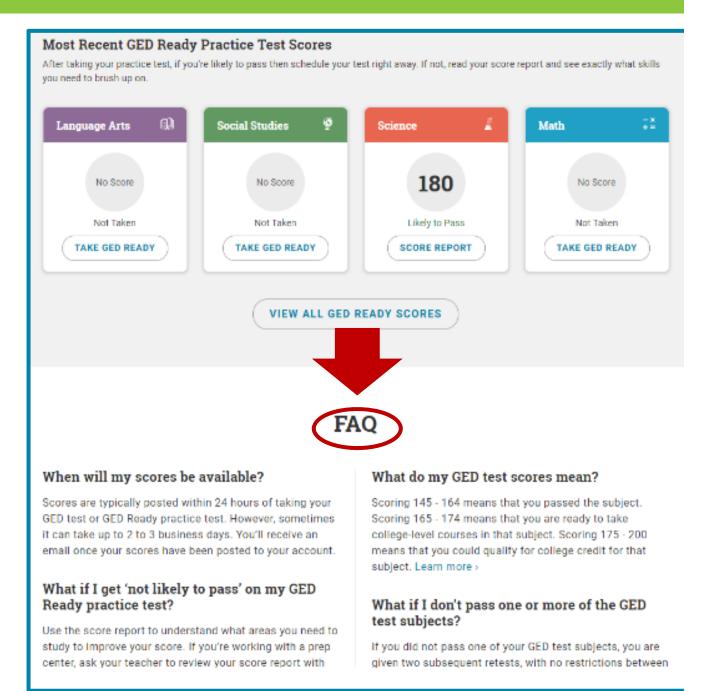
My Scores Redesign





My Scores Redesign continued....





VIEW ALL GED READY SCORES

FAQ

When will my scores be available?

Scores are typically posted within 24 hours of taking your GED test or GED Ready practice test. However, sometimes it can take up to 2 to 3 business days. You'll receive an email once your scores have been posted to your account.

What if I get 'not likely to pass' on my GED Ready practice test?

Use the score report to understand what areas you need to study to improve your score. If you're working with a prep center, ask your teacher to review your score report with you and develop a plan to improve your score. After studying, make sure you're prepared for the test by taking the GED Ready again.

What do my GED test scores mean?

Scoring 145 - 164 means that you passed the subject.

Scoring 165 - 174 means that you are ready to take college-level courses in that subject. Scoring 175 - 200 means that you could qualify for college credit for that subject. Learn more >

What if I don't pass one or more of the GED test subjects?

If you did not pass one of your GED test subjects, you are given two subsequent retests, with no restrictions between retakes. If you fall the third or any subsequent retest, you must wait 60 days for your next attempt.

Additional state requirements may apply.



What if I get 'too close to call' on my GED Ready practice test?

You're only a few questions away from 'likely to pass', so review your score report to see how you can improve your score and then schedule your test. If you're working with a prep center, ask your teacher to review your score report with you.

What if I get 'likely to pass' on my GED Ready practice test?

Looks like you're ready to schedule your test. Students who get a GED Ready score similar to yours and schedule their test within two weeks are more likely to pass.

How is the extended response scored on the Reasoning Through Language Arts GED Ready practice test?

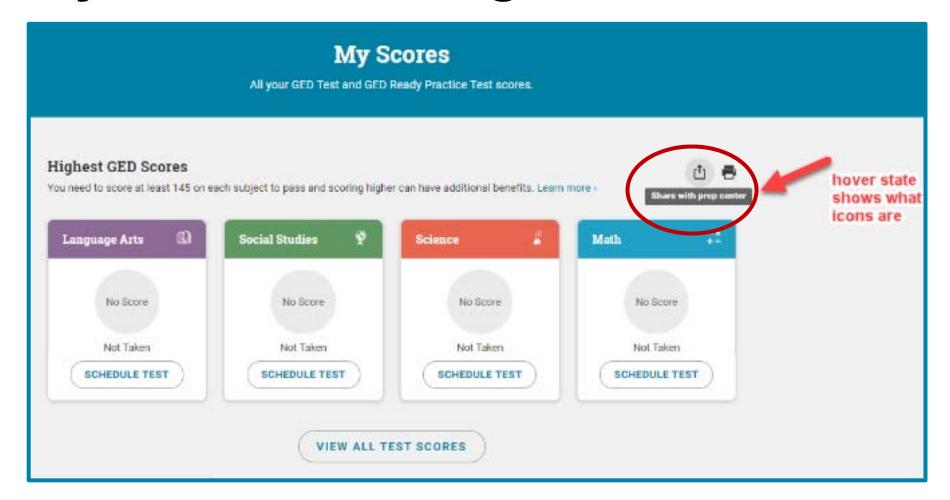
The extended response cannot be scored on the RLA GED Ready practice test. Instead, you will receive information in your score report about what a typical written response should look like. You will also receive a copy of the question and your written response so that you can take it to your local prep center for scoring by a trained teacher.

Can I retest for a higher score if I passed?

Yes, you can retest if you are trying to be college ready or qualify for college credit. The discounted retest policy only applies to tests you did not pass.

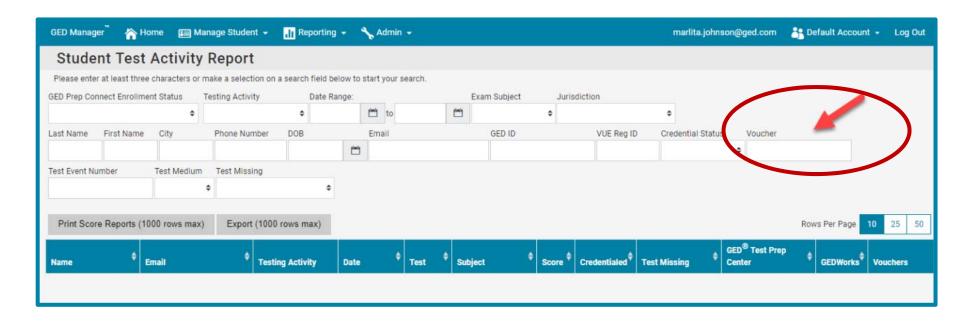
I think I should have gotten a higher score. Is there a way to challenge my score?

Yes, it is possible for you to challenge your scores. The scoring system we use is very accurate. Very few test scores are ever adjusted after review. However, if you want to request a re-score, contact customer support at 1-877-EXAM-GED. You will be charged a fee of \$50 per exam score you want to challenge. If your score changes, you'll get your \$50 back. Otherwise, GED Testing Service will keep the fee.





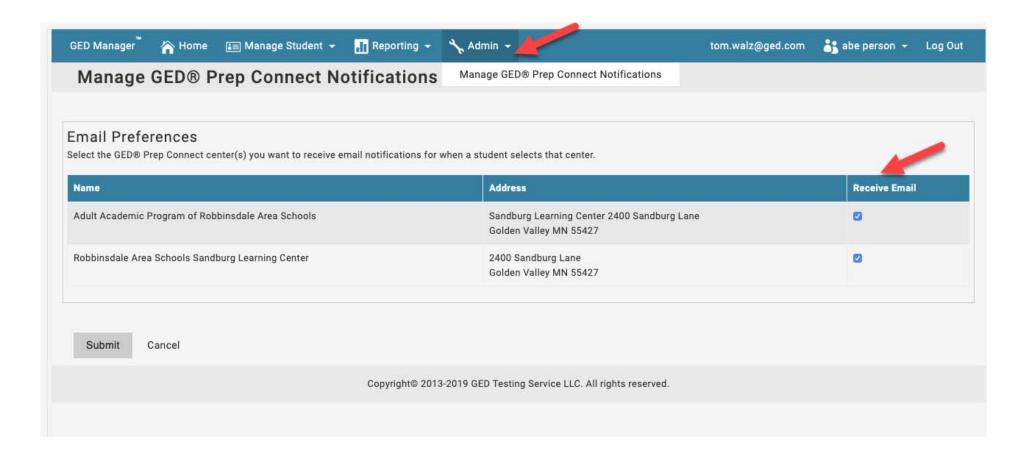
4. Voucher Search Field





New feature

 GED Manager users can now opt-in to receive emails every time a student connects with your program.



Questions?



Thank you!

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Best Practices for GEDPrep Connect and GED Manager

ACE Conference October 2019

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High School Equivalency Diploma Program Manager



GEDPrep Connect Tools

- GED Prep Center Locator
 - Used by candidates to choose a center they are interested in and agree to share scores with
- GED Manager Student-Authorized View
 - Used by staff to manage candidates
 - View GED Ready and GED test scores
 - Manage for marketing/enrollment purposes



Why would you want to use GEDPrep Connect Tools?

- Use Score Reports to guide instruction
- Reach out to interested individuals
- Increase Enrollment



GED Testing Volume and Adult Education Enrollment

GED Testing Comparison 2014-2018

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
# Test Takers	21,828	29,542	34,951	33,462	32,303
# Completers	13,387	17,795	27,117	22,997	22,679
# Passed	7,814	11,685	22,537	18,288	18,150
Pass Rate	58.4%	65.7%	83.1%	79.5%	80.0%

Sources:

2014: GED Analytics system for testers from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014.(2014 GED® Test)

2015: GED Analytics system for testers from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015 (2014 GED® Test) - Adjusted by DOE to include all completers in the tracking period, not just first time completers.

2016: GED Analytics system for testers from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016 (2014 GED® Test) - On March 23, 2016, 145 passing score went into effect based on SBR; therefore, an additional 4,377 passers were awarded diplomas that month who had tested in prior months.

2017: GED Analytics system for testers from January 1, 2017-December 31, 2017

2018: GED Analytics system for testers from January 1, 2018-December 31, 2018

NOTES:

Testing statistics are based on the calendar year.

Passed = Number of test takers issued the high school equivalency diploma

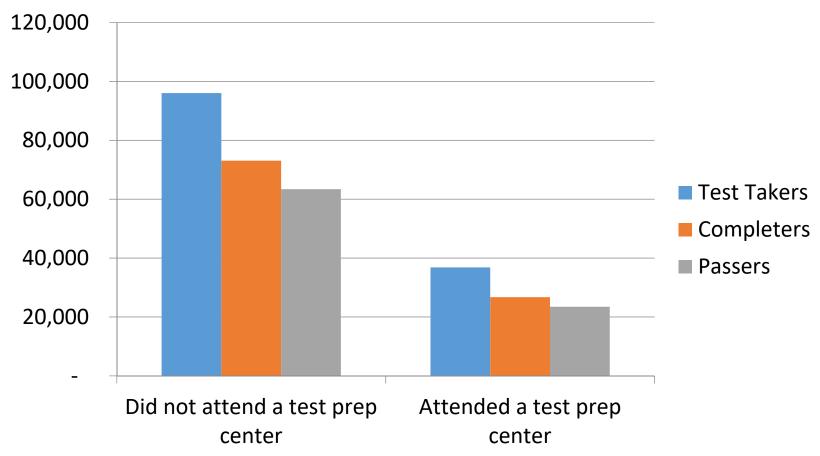
Completers = Number of test takers who took at least one test module during the calendar year AND attempted all required test modules for the test series





Statistics by Test Prep Center participation

January 1, 2014 - June 30, 2019



NOTE: Test Prep center participation is self-reported



District AGE Enrollments- NRS Programs

Program	2017-18 Enrollments	2018-19 Enrollments	Percent Change
Adult Basic Education (ABE)	37,512	34,608	-8%
Adult High School	4,511	4,469	-1%
Adult English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)	81,731	76,601	-6%
English Literacy for Career and Technical Education (ELCATE)	313	30	-90%
GED Preparation	14,743	8,103	-45%
Totals	138,810	123,811	-11%

*Data provided by Office of Research and Evaluation

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FCS AGE Enrollments- NRS Programs

Program	2017-18 Enrollments	2018-19 Enrollments	Percent Change
Adult Basic Education	10,546	9,175	-13%
Adult High School	1,396	1,146	-18%
GED Preparation	4,064	3,055	-25%
Adult English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)	15,406	14,460	-6%
English Literacy for Career and Technical Education (ELCATE)	49	3	-94%
Totals	31,461	27,839	-12%

^{*}Data provided by Office of Research and Evaluation

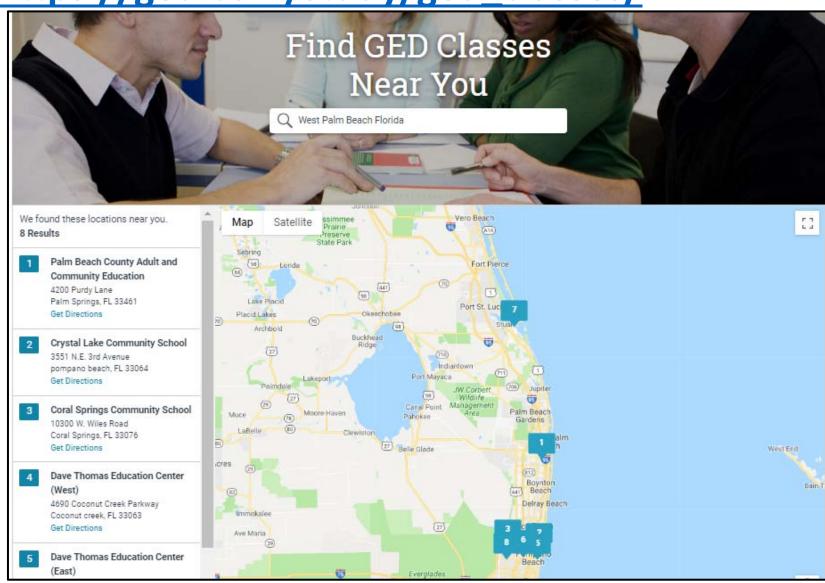
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GED Prep Center Locator



https://ged.com/study/ged_classes/





GED Prep Center Locator Listings

- School District and State College GED Preparation Centers are listed in the locator
- Adult Education Directors can request changes to the listing(s) for their agency
- Current listings can be viewed at
 - https://ged.com/study/ged_classes/
- Districts and Colleges can have as many of their GED Prep Centers listed as they want to list
 - Keep in mind individuals can choose from these lists
 - Staff will need to monitor GED Manager so individuals are contacted



How to make changes to the Locator

 To add, delete or edit current GED Prep Center listings, the Adult Education Director of the School District or State College should contact:

Diane Vaccari

Diane.Vaccari@fldoe.org

(850) 245-0990

 Other school district/state college staff who want to make changes to the list should discuss those changes with their adult education director



GED Manager



Staff Access

- Staff at GED Preparation Centers listed in the locator are eligible to gain access to GED Manager Student-Authorized View
- Staff with access will need to manage students who have chosen the GED Prep Center.
 - Interested/Enrolled/Contacted/Dismissed
 - Make notes
 - View Score Reports for GED Ready and GED tests
 - View/Search for Vouchers Used
 - View/Search for Passers in a date range
 - And More!



Requesting Staff Access

- Adult Education Directors request access for users by submitting the appropriate form
- Forms are available by emailing <u>Diane.Vaccari@fldoe.org</u>
- If more than one GED Prep Center is listed for a school district/state college, the Adult Education Director will need to decide whether staff get access to all centers or just one
- GED Manager allows a user to be assigned to one or many GED Prep Centers



Access Agreement for GED ManagerTM Adult Education Center Access

The undersigned individual who is being granted access to GED® records attests that he/she

- Has read and understands the GED[®] Program General Policies found in the current Policy Manual published by GED Testing Service[®] and agrees to abide by all GED Testing Service[®] confidentiality policies and procedures https://ged.fidoe.org/forms.asp
- Understands that the main purposes for using a tester's GED® test scores from this site is to:
 - Improve the adult education center's educational programs
 - Work with the tester to assist them in improving his scores
 - Plan graduation ceremonies
- Understands that testers listed on the GED ManagerTM site have granted permission only to the adult education center specified (individuals can specify up to three centers)
- Will not share GED[®] testing information with any external third party.
- Understands that the fact that a person has or has not taken the GED® tests should also be treated as confidential information
- Understands that the GED ManagerTM site must not be used to circumvent the official transcript process and must not be used to produce printed "official" documentation of GED[®] records (Official transcript instructions are found at https://ged.fildoe.org)
- Will not allow testing data and scores to be used as verification of diploma status for postsecondary institutions or employers
- Must keep all information regarding the GED[®] records in strict confidence while employed and upon leaving employment with the adult education center
- Will notify the Florida Department of Education GED® Testing Office when no longer employed at the adult education center
- Will NOT share user name and password with others
- Understands this agreement covers the use of GED Manager[™] Adult Education Center Access https://ged.com/gedmanager for which he/she is being granted access

Name Printed	Signature		
Title	Date		
E-mail address	Phone Number/Extension		
District/College/Correctional Facility Name			
Adult Education Center Name			



GED Sign-up Day



What is GED Sign-up Day?

- Objectives
 - Promote GED preparation/adult education
 - Have more adults earn their high school diploma

Concept

- Marketing through social media, advertising and traditional media encouraging adults to do one of key calls to action
- Set-up local information stations to provide information about how to get started, who to call, etc.
- In-person touchpoints at a local business partner (Starbucks, KFC, etc.) where an adult educator would be stationed to speak with adults to get them started



Involvement

- GED Testing Service will be providing assistance with the marketing plan and obtaining a commitment from a business partner
- How to get involved?
 - Email <u>diane.vaccari@fldoe.org</u> so you can be included in future communications about this event
 - Hoping to provide additional information at the ACE Conference



High School Equivalency Diploma Office Contact Information

- Email <u>flgedhelp@fldoe.org</u>
- Phone (850) 245-0449
- Phone Toll free in Florida (877) 352-4331
- When calling press 0 to reach a customer service representative and by pass the recording



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