

GED® Testing Information

Eligibility Requirements for Taking the GED Tests

- 18 years of age or older.
Note: If an individual is 17 years old or younger, a withdrawal (separation) letter from the last school enrolled must be emailed to ilhseiccb@iccb.state.il.us or faxed to 217-558-6700.
- Not a high school graduate or a GED graduate.
- Maintained residence in Illinois for 30 days. If your primary ID does not display an Illinois address, you will need to provide documentation of Illinois residency. Please see our website: <https://kish.edu/student-services/additional-services/testing-services/high-school/ged-testing.php> under Qualifications to take the GED test for a list of acceptable documents.

Identification: You must provide a valid government- issued photo ID. The identification must display your full name (matching the name used for exam registration), address, date of birth, signature and photograph. On the day of your test, if you do not bring a valid government-issued ID, you will not be allowed to test. Individuals not allowed to test for this reason are considered no-shows to the exam, and are not eligible for a refund of fees. Acceptable forms of photo ID include:

- A valid driver's license
- A valid State ID
- A valid passport
- A military ID
- Any other form of government-issued ID (national or foreign), including Matricula Consular
- Note: Temporary visitor issued driver's licenses are NOT acceptable.

Residency: You must be a resident of Illinois for 30 days or more prior to taking the GED exam. If your primary ID does not display an Illinois address, you will need to provide documentation of Illinois residency. Please refer to the following website for more information: <https://kish.edu/student-services/additional-services/testing-services/high-school/ged-testing.php> and select “Qualifications to take the GED test”.

GED Information

Subject Area (4)	Test Duration	Minimum Score Required	Fee
Reasoning Through Language Arts	150 minutes	145*	\$30
Mathematical Reasoning	115 minutes	145*	\$30
Science	90 minutes	145*	\$30
Social Studies	75 minutes	145*	\$30
			Total: \$120

Tests consist of 7 different type of questions: extended response, drag-and-drop, drop-down, fill-in-the-blank, hot spot, multiple choice, and short answer.

For descriptions of each subject, please visit <https://kish.edu/student-services/additional-services/testing-services/high-school/ged-testing.php> under GED Testing Areas.

***To complete the GED, examinees must achieve a minimum score of 145 on each test area and a minimum total score of 580 on all four tests.**

Constitution Test Requirement

The State of Illinois requires all persons who receive the Illinois High School Equivalency certificate to pass the U.S./IL Constitution Test. Those who did not meet this requirement while in high school must take a Constitution Test administered by Kishwaukee College Testing Services.

To schedule the Constitution test, call Testing Services at: 815-825-9841. Testing is offered by appointment in the Testing Center C-1203. This test is pass/fail.

If you passed the Constitution Test in high school, you will need to present to the Regional Office of Education a high school transcript or an official letter with your complete name and birth date, statement saying you passed the Constitution Test and the date, and the signature of a school staff member.

Disability & Testing Accommodations

If you have a documented disability you may qualify for accommodations for GED Testing. Note: As you set up your GED account, answer YES to the last Registration question: "Do you need to request accommodated testing conditions for a documented disability?" You will receive an email with further instructions on how to complete the accommodations request process. Then, contact the Adult Education Transition Specialist at 815-825-9409 for assistance with the process,

GED Testing Steps

STEP 1: Create an account at: www.ged.com

STEP 2: Schedule your GED Tests: You can schedule through your account at ged.com or by calling Pearson Vue: 1-877-392-6433.

- Click the exclamation mark icon in the blue bar on your dashboard to get more information on how to fulfill any additional requirements.
- Click on the "Schedule" box on your dashboard.
- Choose which test time, and date you wish to schedule. You can take more than one test on the same day.
- Payment by credit card or debit card is due at the time of scheduling (\$30 per test subject).
Note: If you have a voucher code; enter it in the "Voucher/Promotion Code" box.
- **To reschedule or cancel:** log in or call 1-877-392-6433 **at least 24 hours** in advance of your scheduled testing appointment. **If you do not call to cancel or reschedule, you will lose the testing fees paid.**

STEP 3: Testing Day

- Arrive **15 minutes** before your scheduled test time to the Testing Center (C-1203) for check-in.
- Bring a government-issued, non-expired photo D (see Identification and Residency sections on first page).
- All personal belongings must be locked and secured before you enter the testing room.
- You will be provided with an erasable note board and marker during the testing to be used as scratch paper.
- Kishwaukee College may cancel testing when the college closes due to extreme weather conditions or other emergencies. To find out about school closings, call the college at 815-825-2086 or check www.kish.edu.

STEP 4: After Testing

- GED testing questions must be kept confidential; do not share them with your instructor or other examinees.
- Scores can be viewed by logging into your account and checking the scores section. Test scores are confidential and cannot be given over the phone.

STEP 5: Retesting (if necessary)

- With every \$30 fee, per test Subject, two retake attempts are allowed for \$10 each. Retakes must be taken within 12 months.
- After the third attempt, you must wait 60 days between every additional attempt. You will need to pay the \$30 fee again and will be allowed two more retakes at \$10 each, within 12 months.
- If you do not pass a test, please consider taking or returning to a preparation class. Do not give up!

STEP 6: Obtaining your Illinois High School Equivalency (GED)

- Illinois high school equivalency certificates and transcripts are available at your local Regional Office of Education for a small fee. If you passed the U.S./IL Constitution test in high school, you will need to provide proof to the Regional Office of Education.
- Your local Regional Office of Education can be found here: <http://iccbdsrv.iccb.org/roesearch.home.cfm>