

GED INFORMATION

GED tests are offered regularly throughout the school year. The GED tests five subject areas (writing skills, social studies, science, literature and the arts, and mathematics) over the span of three days.

WHAT DOES THE GED TEST MEASURE? The GED Test is designed to measure the skills and concepts which are usually learned during four years of comprehensive high school.

WHO MAY TAKE THE GED TEST IN CALIFORNIA?

A. Any individual **18 years of age or older** or within 60 days of his or her 18th birthday regardless of school enrollment status.

B. Any individual within 60 days of when he or she would have graduated from high school had he or she remained in school.

C. Any individual who is 17 years of age, has been out of school for at least 60 consecutive school days, and provides a letter of request for the test from the military, a post-secondary institution, or a prospective employer.

Under NO circumstances are persons younger than 17 allowed to take the GED test in California.

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The GED test battery costs \$155 payable in CASH, MONEY ORDER, or VISA/MASTERCARD. If you need to retake a test that you did not pass, there is a retake fee of \$45.

One of the following forms of identification is required. A **current** valid picture ID (Driver's License, California ID, Military ID, Passport, Resident Card, Tribal ID, or University/Community College ID) must be presented at the time of registration and testing. If you have your social security number, please bring it along. **ID's that are expired will not be accepted.**

For more information call (760)753-7073 ext.5104

Frequently Asked Questions about the GED and High School diploma

Q: *What is the Difference between a High School Diploma and the GED?*

A: Most employers will accept either. A diploma is typically more favorable by employers because it demonstrates that the person has put forth the time and effort as well as the dedication necessary to complete their classes. Most branches of the military will not accept the GED.

Q: *How long will it take to get my diploma?*

A: Each class is determined at your own pace. Therefore, it will depend on how many credits you need and how quickly you can complete each class.

Q: *How do I get started?*

A: To get started get your transcripts from the last high school you attended and call the office (760) 753-7073 ext. 3420 to make an appointment with the Assistant Principal.

Q: *I have to work full time, will I be able to do both?*

A: Yes. Most of the classes at the Adult School are Independent Study, where you meet with a teacher once a week in the afternoon or evening, and complete your work at home.

Q: *I never attended high school, can I still get my diploma?*

A: Yes. Passing the GED test can be used to satisfy up to 100 credits towards your high school diploma. The Adults School has given diplomas to students from ages 18 to 82.

Q: *How much will it cost me?*

A: There is no cost for taking the high school diploma classes or GED test prep course. There is a \$155. fee to take the GED test, and a \$75 book deposit for the high school diploma courses.

Q: *What is the difference between getting a diploma from the Adult School versus a traditional high school?*

A: Nothing. A diploma from the San Dieguito Adult School is the same as a diploma from any other high school.