FAQ’S on NJ High School Equivalency Tests
Offered by Brookdale Community College

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|  | **Pearson Vue GED on Computer** | **TASC Test on Paper/Pencil** |
| Do I have to be a resident of the State of NJ to take the GED in NJ? | Yes you do, and you must have identification proving you are a resident (see the identification section below) |  *COMING SOON!* |
| How much does the GED cost? | $120.00 for the full test or$30.00 per section (first time) |  |
| How many sections are there? | Four sections – * Language Arts (includes reading and writing)
* Math
* Social Studies
* Science
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| How long is each section? | **Math –** 120 minutes (2 sections, the first section has an embedded calculator)**Language Arts** - 155 minutes**Science** - 95 minutes**Social Studies** - 95 minutes |  |
| In what languages is the GED offered? | EnglishSpanish |  |
| What if I need to reschedule my test? | You can reschedule your test two days prior to your appointment by contacting Pearson Vue by phone or logging back into your account on www.ged.com |  |
| What happens if I don’t show up OR show up without proper documentation, OR try to reschedule less than two days prior to my appointment? | You will lose your full test fee and must reschedule and pay the full amount again. Please plan very carefully when scheduling your tests. |  |
| What Identification must I present? | You must have two forms of Identification, a primary and a secondary. The first must be a government issued photo ID such as a NJ driver’s license, US Passport, MV identification or county ID. The second can be a social security card, birth certificate, or if you present your Passport, something proving you are a resident of NJ. If you don’t have appropriate ID, we will be unable to test you, and you will lose your test fees.  |  |
| Must my name match my ID? | Yes, the name you use to register for the GED must be the same name as the identification you present. Please don’t register with your nickname, or a married name if you have not yet changed your identification. We will be unable to test you, and you will lose your test fees.  |  |
| May I take a break during the test? | No, you may not take a break, even to use the restroom in the middle of any section of the test, so please plan accordingly. You may, however, take a break in between sections of the test. If you have a medical condition necessitating breaks, please file for Accommodations.  |  |
| When will I know if I passed? | You can access your scores at the [www.ged.com](http://www.ged.com) portal within 3 days of taking the exam. After you have passed all four sections, a diploma will be mailed to you by the State of NJ. Please make sure that your address is correct in the portal. |  |
| Can I retest? | Yes you can initially test 3 times with no wait period for each section. After your third attempt, you must wait 60 days.  |  |
| Must I take all four tests before I retest on a section I did not pass? | No. If you wish, you may retake a section you did not pass before you take any other section for the first time.  |  |
| What is the cost to retest? | Two retests per subject at $10.00 per test. After that you pay the full $30.00 fee per subject |  |
| What are passing scores? | * Below Passing: 100 – 149
* Passing Score: **150** – 169
* Honors Passing Score: 170 – 200
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| Do I need a composite score to pass? | * No, you must just pass all four sections to earn your NJ High School Diploma.
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| Is there any other way to earn my high school equivalency in NJ? | Yes – here are your options: (go to <http://www.state.nj.us/education/students/adulted/cp/centers.htm> for a list of testing centers.)* GED on computer (offered by Brookdale)
* TASC paper/pencil (soon to be offered by Brookdale)
* TASC test on the computer
* HiSET test by paper/pencil
* HiSET test on the computer
* Through the 30 college credit high school diploma program. (for more information go to http://www.state.nj.us/education/students/adulted/30ccapp.htm)
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| Can I receive special accommodations? | Yes, please complete the information on your accommodations when you register on [www.ged.com](http://www.ged.com). You will have to provide GED with supporting documentation. Once your accommodations are approved, we will be notified and work with you to provide the accommodations.  |  |

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