

For additional information and to request a GED® application, please contact the Regional Office of Education at (815) 947-3810.

Applications also can be picked up at our office at:

500 N. Rush Street, Stockton, IL 61085

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO TEST?

Applicants may apply to the Regional Office of Education in their county of residence provided they:

- are 17 years of age or older*.
- are not a high school graduate or a GED graduate and
- have maintained residence in the State of Illinois for thirty days.

*If an individual is of school age and has been enrolled in a public, private or home school setting in the last 12 months, they must present a withdrawal letter from the last school of enrollment before taking the GED® tests.

TESTING ACCOMMODATIONS

If you have a documented disability, you may qualify for accommodations when you take the GED Tests. Contact our office for information. Approved accommodations are provided at no additional charge to the GED test-taker.

COST OF THE TESTS

A \$50.00 fee is assessed for testing and issuance of the High School Equivalency Certification and must be paid at the time of registration.

RE-EXAMINATION

A test-taker who fails to make the required score on the GED Tests has the option of taking the entire battery or the individual test which he or she has failed.

Each section of the GED Tests requires a \$10.00 retest fee, with the exception of the Language Arts: Writing test which is \$15.00. No charge will be assessed for retaking the Constitution Test.

**A test-taker may only take any individual test a maximum of 3 times in one calendar year.

PASSING SCORE

Examinees must achieve a minimum standard score of 410 or above on each of the five tests and a total standard score of at least 2,250 on the entire battery. (average score of 450 on all tests).

CONSTITUTION EXAMINATION

In addition to the five GED® Tests, Illinois residents are required to satisfactorily pass an examination on American patriotism and the principles of representative government as enunciated in the American Declaration of Independence, the Constitution of the United States of America, and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, as well as on the proper use and display of the American Flag as provided by Section 27-3 of The School Code of Illinois.

*A constitution Study guide is available from the Regional Office of Education for a minimal fee. Call our office at (815) 947-3810 for more information.

WHAT IS ON THE GED® TESTS?

TEST	FORMAT	QUESTIONS / TIME LIMITS
MATH	PART 1- CALCULATOR	25 QUESTIONS PART 1 45 MINUTES
	PART 2 – NO CALCULATOR	25 QUESTIONS PART 2 45 MINUTES
SCIENCE	MULTIPLE CHOICE	50 QUESTIONS 80 MINUTES
SOCIAL STUDIES	MULTIPLE CHOICE	50 QUESTIONS 70 MINUTES
LANGUAGE ARTS-READING	MULTIPLE CHOICE	40 QUESTIONS 65 MINUTES
LANGUAGE ARTS-WRITING	PART 1 – MULTIPLE CHOICE	50 QUESTIONS PART 1 75 MINUTES
	PART 2 - ESSAY	ESSAY PART 2 45 MINUTES

GED TESTING PREPARATION

The only preparation material we provide in our office is the Illinois/U.S. Constitution book for \$2.00. You can pick this up any time between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. You can purchase books and other testing materials at bookstores such as Borders or Barnes & Noble. You can also find study material and take practice tests online. We have provided some useful websites below.

Highland Community College of Freeport provides Adult Education classes free of charge to assist students in preparing for their GED tests. You may contact the Adult Education Department at 815-599-3460.

WEBSITES

(To access the website below, hold Ctrl and click the link)

English GED Websites

- **General GED Websites**
 - [GED Practice Tests](#) (NOTE: You need to sign up to take the tests. Signup is free)
 - [GED Practice Tests](#)
- **Writing Test Websites**
 - [Guide To Writing A Basic Essay](#)
 - [The Blue Book of Grammar and Punctuation](#)
 - [Guide to Grammar and Writing](#)
 - [Grammar Bytes](#)
- **Science Test Websites**
 - [Science Space Group](#)
 - [SciCentral](#)
- **Social Studies Test Websites**
 - [American Memory Timeline](#)
 - [American Social History Project](#)
 - [Ancient Greek World](#)
 - [Slavery and African American History](#)
 - [History Central](#)
 - [History Channel](#)
 - [Today in History](#)
 - [History Matters](#)
- **Math Test Websites**
 - [Webmath](#)
 - [Math to Build On](#)
 - [Math Goodies](#)
 - [The Math Forum](#)
 - [Problem Solving](#)
 - [Introduction to Geometry](#)
 - [Math Quizzes Online](#)
 - [Geometry Online](#)
 - [Geometry 1: Angles and Parallel Lines](#)
 - [Geometry](#)
 - [Practice and Prepare for Math Tests](#)
 - [Algebra Review in 10 Lessons](#)