



GED FACTS

Since 1942, the Tests of General Educational Development (GED) has offered adults an alternative path to earn a high school diploma. More than 18 million people have passed the GED test. The GED test continues to offer adults a second chance at a high school credential, but it doesn't stop there. The new computer-based GED test offers an enhanced score report and opportunities for adults to show their readiness for careers and college.

Many adults who did not complete a high school program of instruction have continued to learn through a variety of experiences encountered in everyday life. The purpose of the GED Testing Program is to provide an opportunity for these individuals to have the learning acquired from such educational experiences evaluated and recognized. The GED Tests make it possible for qualified individuals to earn a high school credential, thus providing opportunities for hundreds of thousands of adults to:

- Pursue higher education
- Obtain jobs or job promotions
- Achieve personal goals
- Enlist in military service