



General Education Development



ALL TRIO SERVICES ARE PROVIDED FREE-OF-CHARGE TO ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS!

Frequently Asked Questions :



What is the GED?

GED traditionally stands for **General Educational Development** and it is a series of examinations that measure your high school level of knowledge.

Why take the GED?

Passing the GED will earn you the equivalency of a high school diploma, which is often necessary to obtain gainful employment. In addition, possessing a GED allows you to apply for admission into colleges, universities, and technical schools.

How old do I need to be to take the GED?

In the State of Florida, candidates must be at least 18 years of age or older to take GED examinations. That being said, Florida statute allows underage GED testing for 16 and 17 year olds if they've experienced extraordinary circumstances and meet other criteria. Please contact Bay District Schools at (850) 245-0449 or GEDagewavier@fldoe.org for more information on age rules and examination requirements.

Do I need to take a GED® class or receive instruction from a local prep center before I can take the examinations?

If you are 18 years of age or older, you don't need to take an official GED® class or receive instruction before taking GED exams. However, 16 or 17 year olds should visit ged.fldoe.org for more information on examination requirements.

Who can take the GED test?

To obtain your GED in Florida, you must be unenrolled from high school and you cannot already have a high school diploma or an equivalent credential. However, you don't have to be a resident of Florida to earn your GED here.

When can the GED be taken?

GED examinations can be taken at any point in time during the year, so long as you meet eligibility requirements.

Do I have to take the GED Ready® practice test?

If you are 18 years of age or older, you don't need to take GED Ready® practice tests before taking GED examinations. However, 16 or 17 year olds should visit ged.fldoe.org for more information on practice test rules.

Where can I take my GED examinations?

Bay, Gulf, and Franklin County residents can take their GED exams at:

- Gulf Coast State College
- Tom P. Haney Technical College
- Gulf County Adult School
- Franklin County Adult Ed. & GED Office

https://wsr.pearsonvue.com/testtaker/find/testcenter/GEDTS?locale=en_US

Assessment Information:



Practice Tests

- Can be taken online or in-person
- Timed, but Half the length of actual exams
- Might involve a fee*
- Scores help you determine whether you're ready to take each subject's examination:
 - 145-200 = Likely to pass
 - 134-144 = Too close to call
 - 100-133 = Not likely to pass

Examinations

- Taken in-person at a testing center
- Costs \$38.00 per Subject*
- Four Subjects:
 - Mathematical Reasoning
 - 2 sections
 - ~115 minutes
 - Reasoning Through Language Arts
 - 3 sections
 - ~150 minutes
 - Social Studies
 - 1 section
 - ~70 minutes
 - Science
 - 1 section
 - ~90 minutes

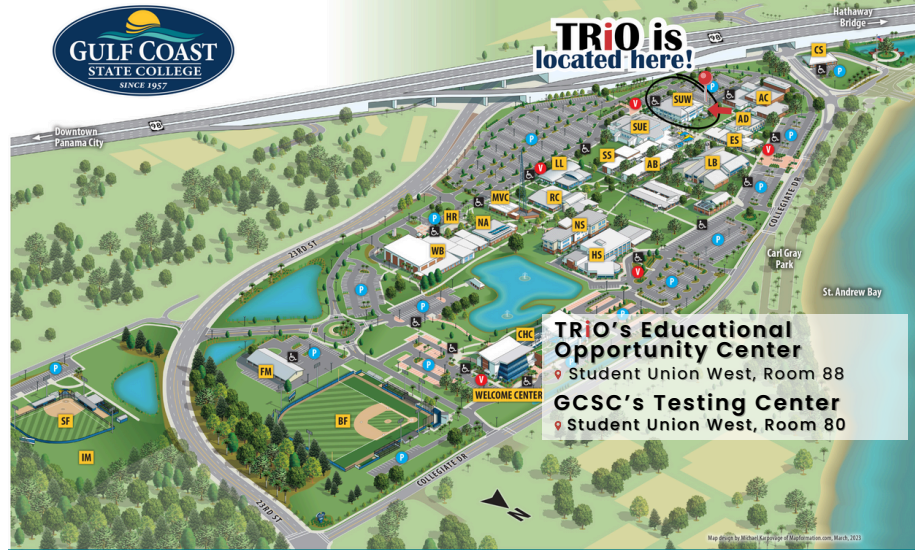


Age and other testing requirements vary by area.

Pricing and rules may unexpectedly change at any time.

***The EOC may be able to provide voucher codes (while supplies last)**

How can TRiO's Educational Opportunity Center (EOC) assist you?



1 First, we'll help you fill out the application necessary to **become a TRiO participant**

2 Upon becoming a participant, we'll provide* you with the following:

- GED **Preparation Materials** & practice tests
- A **Calculator**, if necessary
- GED **Exam Voucher Codes**

*while supplies last

3 Next, we will help you register for & navigate:

- <https://www.ged.com>
- <https://kaptest.com/moreonline>

4 Then, we'll connect you with TRiO **Tutoring** staff, so they can serve your GED learning needs whenever you're able to visit our **Lab**:

Gulf Coast State College's
Panama City Campus
Student Union West, 1st Floor, Room 82
Mondays through Fridays, 8a-4p

Mathematical Reasoning



Reasoning Through Language Arts



Social Studies



Science



Who else Provides GED Training & Assistance?

Bay County

Goodwill
Industries - Big Bend, Inc.

Online Platform
(Career Campus)

(850) 522-3900

3207 East Hwy. 98, Panama City, FL 32401

<https://www.goodwillbigbend.org>

Formal Classroom Setting



(850) 767-5500

3016 FL-77, Panama City, FL 32405

<https://haney.edu/adult-general-education>



CareerSource
GULF COAST
Cornerstone Program

Dedicated Career Counselors!

(850) 872-4340 / customerservice@careersourcegsc.com

GCSC's Student Union East Building, Room 62

<https://careersourcegsc.com/special-projects>

Gulf County

Classes Tues. & Thur. nights at
Port St. Joe (2853 Long Ave) &
Wewahitchka (2nd Street).

(850) 340-0663 <https://gulfcoschools.com/gdas>



Franklin County

(850) 653-8436

Margaret Key Library

80 12th St. Apalachicola



(850) 670-2810
85 School Road, Suite 1
Eastport, FL 32328



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