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FIVE GED GRADUATES HONORED FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS RECEIVE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS FROM GED TESTING SERVICE

CHICAGO — GED Testing Service presented five GED graduates with the *2019 GED Graduate of the Year* award during the GED Testing Service Annual Conference, held July 24 through July 26 in Chicago. This award recognizes students who recently earned their GED credential and displayed exceptional dedication and scholarship during the preparation and testing process.

Jennifer Nemchek of Michigan, Lillian Rivera of Illinois, Reginald Latten of Ohio and Mackinzie Rickabaugh of Wisconsin, are the recipients of this year's *Graduate of the Year* awards. The graduates were nominated by adult educators, GED administrators and other stakeholders in the adult education community through an open call for nominations from GED Testing Service.

Kyle Reckart of Ohio, a GEDWorks graduate from Taco Bell, received the 2019 GEDWorks Graduate of the Year award.

To qualify for the award, graduates had to be over 18 years old, earned their GED credential between January 2018 and May 2019, and are currently enrolled or have immediate plans to enroll in a postsecondary or career training program.

Each of the graduates were awarded a \$1,000 scholarship during an awards luncheon on July 25.

Each year GED Testing Service recognizes GED graduates for outstanding student achievement at its annual conference. More information about the GED test program is available [here](#).

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About GED Testing Service

The GED test has opened doors to better jobs and college programs for more than 20 million graduates since 1942. The GED test is accepted by virtually all U.S. colleges and employers. As the creator of the

one official GED test, GED Testing Service has a responsibility to ensure that the program continues to be a reliable and valuable pathway to a better life for the millions of adults without a high school diploma. GED Testing Service is a joint venture between the American Council on Education and Pearson.