

STATE OF THE **G E D**
Event

June 3, 2021

12 pm EDT

State of GED Testing Service

Welcome

Workforce Skills

- Aligned to organizations working directly with learners

Learner-Centric

- All learners
- GED+

GEDWorks

- Pathways to a better future

Culture

- Inclusive

Workforce Skills Organization



Together we can help more people reach their goal of higher education.

Together we are helping more people realize they can achieve more professionally at work.

- We've known for a long time that the world of work and education is changing – and COVID-19 has only accelerated this with increasing automation in the workplace, more remote work, and higher demand for vocational skills.
- The need for lifelong reskilling and upskilling has never been more pressing.
- Our workforce will need to be trained and retrained throughout their careers, and employers have skills gaps they urgently need to fill.
- GED Testing Service aligned to the Workforce Skills division will allow us to focus on the Learner with more options to upskill, reskill and provide opportunities with larger employers.

Gather relevant information from each student in order to provide tailored guidance

Tell us why you don't want to schedule yet.

We encourage you to schedule your GED test after passing the GED Ready because you have a strong chance of passing the test. What is the main reason you don't want to schedule right now?

I can't pay for the test right now

I want to study more

I'm not sure what my schedule will be yet

I'm not sure if I'll have transportation

I'm worried I won't pass

Other

I changed my mind. I want to [schedule now](#).



Schedule Your Free GED® Advisor Session

We are so confident that you'll pass the GED test that we want to give you a free session with a GED advisor to learn more about your next steps and what to expect. Enter your phone number, and an advisor will reach out to schedule your session.

Mobile Phone

I agree to receive recurring text messages, sent using an automatic telephone dialing system from a GED® advisor and understand I am not required to provide my consent as a condition of purchasing the GED test or other products and services. Message and data rates may apply. Reply STOP at any time to opt-out. I understand that I may be sent a message confirming the cancellation. I understand that my information will be used as described here and in the [GED Terms and Conditions](#).

SCHEDULE ADVISOR SESSION

[No thanks](#)

GED+

*An all-inclusive study product
for students modeled after
GEDWorks*

GED+™
Unlimited access to everything you need to earn your GED
395 per subject (1237 total)
[Get It Now](#)

What's Included:

- Personal GED Advice**
A dedicated GED expert will guide and encourage you from start to finish.
- Comprehensive Study Tools**
Includes targeted course materials for each subject, saving you money versus buying them on your own.
- Unlimited Tests**
The cost of the test is fully covered, and it's all if you don't pass the first time. Retake the test for free as many times as you need.
- Official Practice Tests**
- 2-on-1 Tutoring**





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Products, Resources, and Online Proctored Testing




Adult Educator Resources

Assessment Guide for Educators

This resource takes a deep dive into what's assessed in the four content areas, question types, scoring, and more. You can download the entire Guide below, or you can choose to download the individual content areas.

- [Complete Assessment Guide for Educators](#)
- [Assessment Guide Introduction](#)



**GED Manager &
GED PrepConnect**

Your Skills to Improve Checklist

Link your study material above
See exactly what pages/sections you need to study, below.

Study pages 60-61
Determine the main idea

**GED Ready Score
Report w/Study Plan**

GED Ready Direct

Your GED Readys

Unassigned	Assigned	Used
10	0	0

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Study Materials



**GED
Marketplace**

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All products are GED
Content Aligned -
Digital, Paper, English,
Spanish, Test Vouchers,
Bundles



Online Proctored GED Test

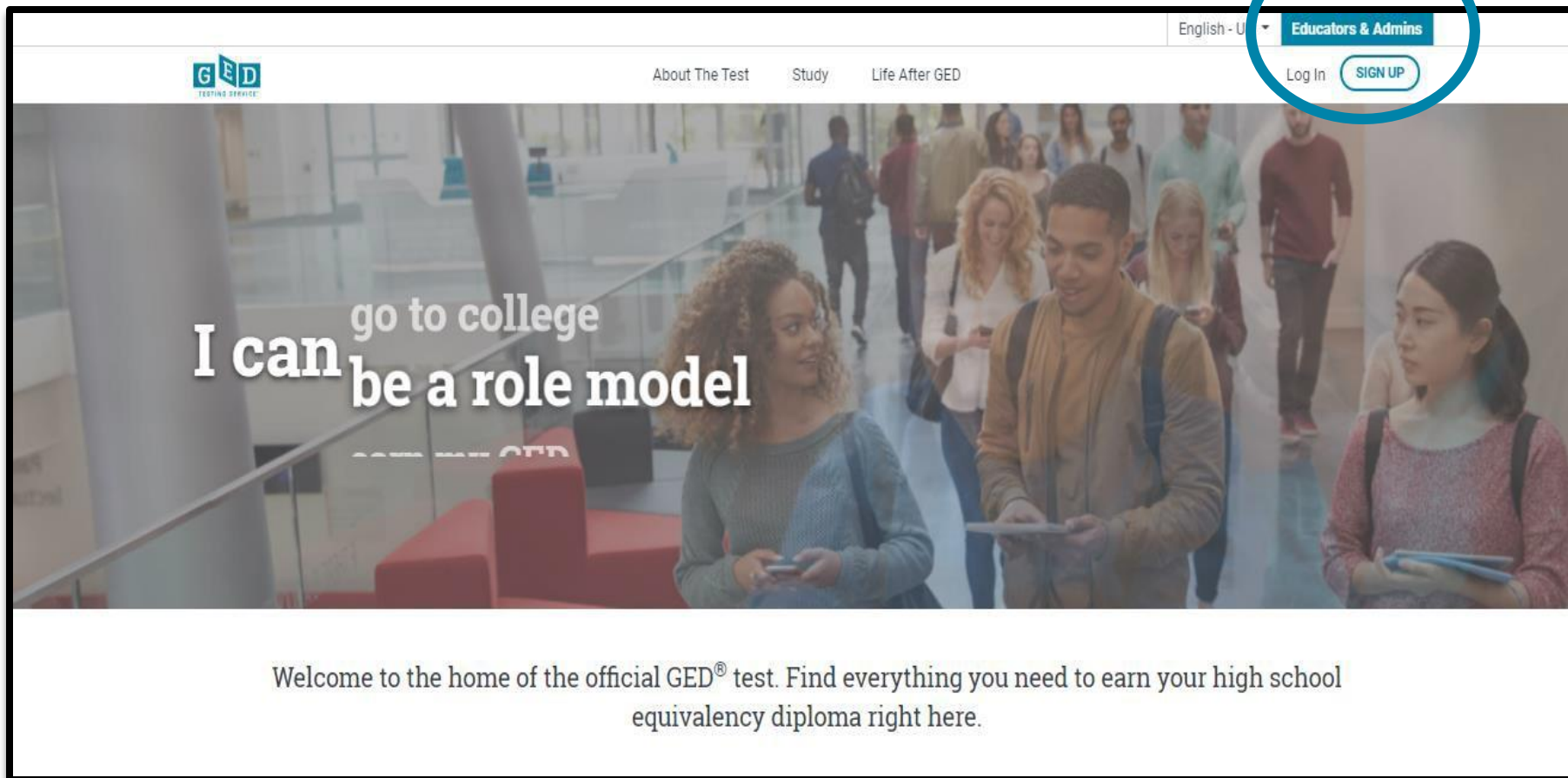
Students state benefits of OP Testing:

- 24/7 appointments
- Fewer transportation hurdles & costs
- No need for childcare
- No need to take off work
- Feeling of safety, less stress testing from home

Since OP Launched June 2020

- Total Credentialed = 25,320
- Total Test Takers = 49,334
- Total Passed Tests = 107,022
- Total Tests Taken = 132,456
- 25-30% overall testing volume is OP

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Educators & Admins

GED TESTING SERVICE

About The Test Study Life After GED

Log In SIGN UP

I can go to college be a role model

Welcome to the home of the official GED® test. Find everything you need to earn your high school equivalency diploma right here.

<https://ged.com/>



Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion



GEDTS Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Statement



The GED credential was created as a second chance opportunity for many adults who have been marginalized or needed an alternative to the traditional K-12 system. We will continue to raise the voices of historically marginalized and underserved learners, including those from Black, Latino and Indigenous communities. We will advocate for our learners, who teach each of us valuable lessons on what we stand to gain by investing in their future.

“We believe that everyone, no matter their creed, challenge, or circumstance, should have the opportunity to pursue the college and career of their dreams.”

Current DEI-related initiatives and work

Internal

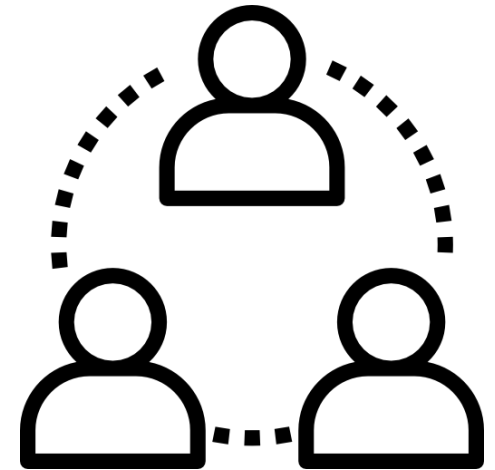
- Sent company-wide survey in preparation for group facilitated discussions and DEI workshops.
- Maintaining weekly DEI roundtable discussions with Black employees within GEDTS. Advocates, allies and DEI champions are now active participants on DEI taskforce.
- Launched monthly community discussion groups in May with all GEDTS staff.
- Held all-staff meetings with presentations and facilitated discussions including the History of Racism in America, the History of Racism in Education and Microaggressions.

Current DEI-related initiatives and work

External

- "About Us" page on GED.com shares our DEI statement, our organization's mission and highlights the GED Board of Directors, Leadership Team and selected GEDTS staff members.
- In Session articles highlighting our action plan and related updates.
- "Diverse Voices" blog series highlighting the personal and professional experiences of Black, Latino/Hispanic, and Indigenous educators.
- Developing scholarship funds and other alliances with community organizations to provide financial support and resources to students/programs.

Partnerships and Alliances



- Actively working with two community-based organizations in Kansas City, Kansas and Baltimore, Maryland to develop partnerships.
- Working with Pearson to develop a fund to support community programs in need of assistance with technology.
- Aligning with organizations committed to helping connect graduates with job and education opportunities including apprenticeship programs.

New GED Testing Service Board Members



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Phyllis Kelley



Phyllis Kelley, board member since 2021, has served as the Director of Adult Learning Programs at Central Alabama Community College since September 2016.

She has more than 18 years of experience in adult education, workforce development, and career training.

New GED Testing Service Board Members

Kellie Blair Hardt



Kellie Blair Hardt, board member since 2021, is a teacher/tutor and education advocate.

Hardt is a GED graduate and has over 19 years of experience as an educator.

She has won numerous accolades including the National Award for Teaching Excellence (2013), the Virginia Department of Education State Teaching Excellence Award (2012) and the GED Testing Service, Cornelius P. Turner Award (2013).

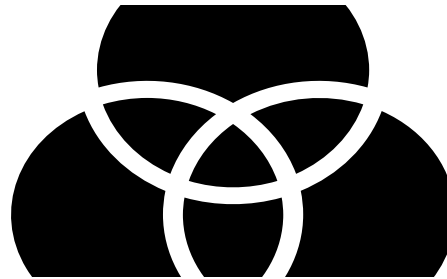
GED® Transformation Team



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- ❖ **Multi-faceted experts**
- ❖ **Diverse group ethnically/culturally**
- ❖ **Various backgrounds and experiences**
- ❖ **Demonstrated successful community efforts**
- ❖ **Demonstrated sustainable initiatives**



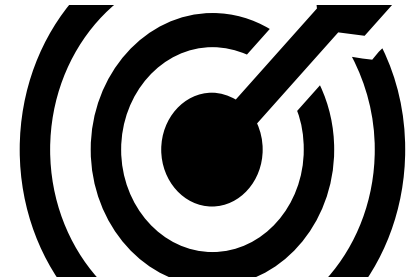
Expand collaboration efforts with the understanding that greater diversity will yield significantly greater insight and learning.



Reduce academic, social, and financial barriers to high school completion.



Support historically underserved learners to realize their goals.



Goal

- 1. To shape the learner pathway!**
- 2. To interweave a Diversity Action Plan**

What's next.....

July 2022 conference will convene! (Atlanta, GA)

Continued employee training

Provide your feedback, suggestions, and ideas!

More to come.....