

Authority

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) is the only agency in Texas authorized to issue a certificate of high school equivalency. Tests may only be administered by authorized testing centers under Texas Education Code §7.111 and Texas Administrative Code §§89.41-47.

Official Certificates, Transcripts, and Verifications

All record verifications and Certificate/Transcript requests must be made using the automated system on the TEA's Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency (TxCHSE) home page, located at www.txchse.com. This process allows an individual to search for records on-line, verify authenticity, purchase, and print the certificate. TEA will no longer: mail (via US Postal Service), email, or fax duplicate certificates/transcripts.

Certificate of High School Equivalency Test Providers

The State Board of Education voted January 29, 2016, to award contracts to three separate companies to provide high school equivalency assessments in Texas: Data Recognition Corporation | CTB (DRC), Educational Testing Service (ETS) and GED Testing Service (GEDTS). The high school equivalency assessment serves as the basis for the TEA to issue the Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency. Texas issues Certificates of High School Equivalency based on an individual meeting the minimum score requirements based on the test they choose to take.

Test Score Requirements – Current

GED General Educational Development Test by GEDTS

Scores range from 100 to 200. A passing score requires a minimum of 145 on each of the four exams.

HiSET High School Equivalency Test by ETS

Scores range from 1 to 20. A passing score requires a minimum of 8 on each of the five exams, a combined score of 45, and a minimum score of 2 on the Language Arts-Writing essay.

TASC Test Assessing Secondary Completion by DRC

Scores range from 300 to 800. A passing score requires a minimum of 500 on each of the five exams and a minimum of 2 out of 8 points on the Writing essay.

Test Score Requirements - Historical

GED 2002-2013 2002 series scores ranged from 200 to 800. A passing score required a minimum of 410 on each of the five exams and a total score of 2250 (450 average).

GED 1997-2001 A passing score required a minimum of 40 on each of the five tests and an average of 45 (225 total).

GED 1959-1996 A passing score required a minimum of 40 on each of the five tests or an average of 45 (225 total).

GED 1942-1958 A passing score required a minimum of 35 on each of the five tests.