

## Frequently Asked Questions:

### Where can I take my Official GED Exam?

A list of Official GED Exam Centers will be provided when the instructor has given you a referral that you had passed the pre-test and are ready for the GED subject(s).

### How much does the Official GED cost?

The fee for the Official GED Exam varies from each Official GED Exam Center. Before going to take the Official GED Exam Center, please call the test center for the date, time, and to reserve a seat.

### Do I have to take all the tests at one time?

This depends on the Official GED Exam Center.

### What if I do not pass the test?

You will need only need to re-take the test(s) you did not pass. Before re-testing, you will have to complete 60 hours of study in the subject area that you did not pass.

### How and when can I get my results?

Within three (3) weeks of completing the exam, a transcript with your test results is mailed to your home. Your **California High School Equivalency Certificate** is mailed to you approximately three (3) to four (4) months after you completed your exam.



## Mt. San Antonio College Adult Basic Education Center

### Building 30

1100 N. Grand Avenue  
Walnut, CA 91789

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## Mt. San Antonio College

Adult Basic Education Center



## General Education Development (G.E.D.) Preparation Program

### Hours of Operation

Monday–Thursday  
8:00am–8:00pm  
Friday  
8:00am–4:00pm

# GED Preparation Subject Areas

## Language Arts: Writing

- Essay Writing, Sentence Structure
- Organization, Usage
- Mechanics, Spelling, Punctuation
- Capitalization



## Language Arts: Reading

- Interpreting Non Fiction
- Understanding Fiction
- Understanding Poetry
- Understanding Drama



## Science

- Life Science
- Earth and Space
- Physical Science



## Social Studies

- United States History
- World History
- Civics and Government
- Economics and Geography



## Mathematics

- Numbers and Operations
- Measurements and Data Analysis
- Algebra and Geometry
- Learning the use of the CASIO fx260 Solar Calculator



## Official GED Exam Scoring

Passing Score: 2250  
 Average Score: 450 Per Subject Area  
 Minimum Score: 410 Per Subject Area

## Steps to the GED



### 1. Schedule an Orientation

The orientation will give the student information about the GED Preparation program.

### 2. Take the GED Pre-Tests

Assessment is provided in all subject areas of the GED. Pre- and Post- testing are emphasized to focus on the necessary areas of study.

### 3. Complete an Individual Educational Plan (IEP)

An IEP is developed after pre-testing and students are assigned to one subject at a time. Coursework is through the direct instruction, computer aided instruction, and independent study. Students may set their own hours for study and instructors monitor progress to ensure that each person is ready to take the Official GED Exam.

### 4. Take the Official GED Exam

Once the objectives of the IEP have been completed, an instructor will refer the student for the Official GED Exam at designated GED testing sites

### 5. Earn the GED and Graduate!

A cap and gown graduation is held in June of each year on the Mt. San Antonio College campus to celebrate those who pass the Official GED Exam. Upon graduation, a referral is made to the educational advisor so that all students continue their educational or career path.

## Eligibility Criteria

### Any Individual can take the test if he or she:

- Is eighteen (18) years of age
- Is within 60 days of his or her 18th birthday, regardless of enrollment status

### In special cases an individual may take the GED test at the age of seventeen (17)\*\* under the following circumstances:

- The student has been out of high school for at least 60 days, excluding summer months. (Date and proof that student is no longer enrolled must be verified by the last school attended.) **AND**
- A post-secondary educational institution, prospective employer, or military recruiter provides an official letter stating that the individual needs to pass the GED in order to be accepted in their program or agency.
- The student's parents must provide a **signed** letter giving their son or daughter permission to take the GED Preparation and Exam.

\*\*Students who pass the GED at the age of 17 will not receive their equivalency diploma until their 18th birthday. A letter of intent is issued, which states that the certificate is being held pending the student's 18th birthday. Students will receive an official transcript from the site within four (4) weeks of passing the entire test.

