GED COMPUTER BASED TEST INFORMATION AND SCHEDULE
EFFECTIVE: JANUARY – DECEMBER 2015

The following testing policies are in compliance with the American Council on Education and the Texas Education Agency’s rules and regulations:

1. The GED candidate must be a Texas resident and will be required to show positive proof of identification before being allowed to test.
   a. State issued or Government issued Current and Valid (NOT EXPIRED): driver's license, identification card, passport displaying a recent photograph, or Matricula Consular. The candidate's signature will be compared with the signature on the license or I.D. card.

2. Accommodations are available for students with documented disabilities – Create account on www.ged.com.
   a. Answer yes when asked "Do you need to request accommodated testing conditions for a documented disability?" and you will receive further instructions via email. For detailed information on Accommodations, please go to GED Testing Service Accommodations.

3. Minimum Age: Must be 18 years old. The following are also eligible:
   a. A person who is 17 years old, is not enrolled in school and has written parental or guardian permission to test.
   b. A person who is at least 16 years old and is: (1) recommended by a state agency that has supervision or custody of the person under court order; (2) in a Job Corps training program.

4. St. Philip's College does not maintain student scores or records for GED candidates. All official score reports and certificates are processed through the Texas Education Agency-GED Unit. Transcripts and verification letters can be obtained at the TEA-GED website, www.texged.com select Get Certificate Copy.

5. GED Candidates must sign-up at www.ged.com to schedule the GED test or through the Pearson VUE call center at 1-877-EXAM-GED (877-392-6433).

The 2014 GED exams can be taken in English and/or Spanish and consist of the following subject areas:

- Reasoning Through Language Arts (RLA) (150 minutes)
- Mathematical Reasoning (115 minutes)
- Science (90 minutes)
- Social Studies (90 minutes)

GED Candidates are not permitted to bring purses, pencils, pens, tote bags, cameras, cell phones, portable music players, hand-held electronic games, food items, text books (including dictionaries), notebooks, supplies, jackets or coats, hats, or other nonessential items to their seats in the testing room. All such items will be collected and stored in lockers at the owner’s risk. The testing staff or testing center is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
6. Testing Schedule:

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7. Testing fees: The four content areas cost $33.75 each, for a total of $135. GED Fees are nonrefundable and are paid directly to Pearson Vue.

8. GED Retesting Policy – If an exam is failed, the test-taker can retake the exam two times at a reduced price within twelve months of the original failed exam. After the first three attempts, the test-taker will have to wait an additional 60 days to retake the exam at the full price.

9. Practice Test – GED Testing Services offers a free practice test at: [www.gedtestingservice.com/freepracticetest](http://www.gedtestingservice.com/freepracticetest)

### Changes to the GED® Test

The 2002 GED Testing Series will be replaced beginning January 2, 2014. Incomplete or insufficient GED scores from the 2002 series will no longer be valid after December 31, 2013.

**Effective January 1, 2014,** The 2014 GED Test Series scores range from 100 to 200. To earn a State of Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency, one must achieve a minimum of 150 on each of the four exams. Scores of 170 through 200 represent performance consistent with readiness for career and college.

**January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2013,** the minimum passing standard score on the GED Tests will be no score less than 410 on EACH of the five tests, with an average of 450 (2250 total) on the five tests in the battery.

**January 1, 1997 through December 31, 2001,** GED candidates had to make a total score of 225 (45 average) on all five tests with no sub-test score less than 40.

**Prior to January 1, 1997,** GED Passing Scores were 40 on each test OR a total score of 225 on all five sub-tests.

The GED Testing Center enforces the following Policy: College Policy prohibits students from bringing their children to classes and laboratories. This Policy is to protect the rights of the other students in the class from noise and distractions.

**FEES AND SCHEDULE ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT PRIOR NOTIFICATION.**

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