Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Approves the GED® College Ready Score as TSI Exemption

TEXAS COLLEGE STUDENTS NOW ELIGIBLE TO BYPASS THE TSI ASSESSMENT AND ENTER CREDIT-BEARING COURSEWORK

Who:

Texas GED graduates who earn a College Ready score in Reasoning Through Language Arts and/or Mathematical Reasoning subject tests.

What:

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board expanded exemptions to the Texas Success Initiative (TSI). With this exemption, students who earn a College Ready score on their GED tests may be eligible to enroll in Texas public colleges and universities with a "remediation-free" status. TSI and high school equivalency test exemptions are only valid within five years of students scoring a 165 or higher on their GED credential.

How:

- A score of 165 or higher on the Mathematical Reasoning subject test exempts a student from the math placement exam for college enrollment.
- A score of 165 or higher on the Reasoning Through Language Arts (RLA) subject test, exempts a student from the English Language Arts Reading (ELAR) placement exam for college enrollment.

When/Where:

Eligibility in the state of Texas began on May 12, 2021.

Why/Benefits:

Texas GED graduates are in a stronger position to compete with traditional high school graduates. This is crucial as most jobs that will be open over the next two decades will require higher-level education. Fortunately, The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's expansion of this exemption creates an additional pathway for adult learners to pursue and obtain a postsecondary education.

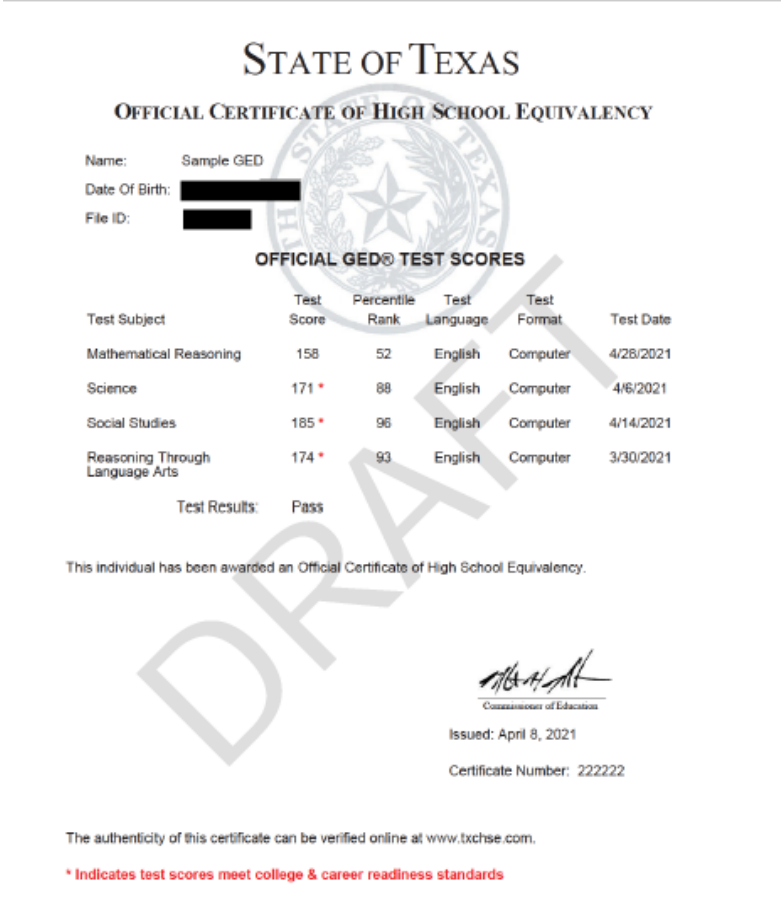
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College/University Admissions offices may confirm student eligibility by any one of the following methods:

1. Visual confirmation by requesting student log into their GED.com account and pull up scores while in your office.
2. Request student to provide an **unofficial** score report from their GED.com account.
3. Review student's official Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency transcript.
   - More details available on the TXCHSE website here: https://tea.texas.gov/student-assessment/certificate-of-high-school-equivalency/certificate-and-transcript-search-information
4. Community colleges, colleges, and universities with a TWC Adult Education program, or a Continuing Education course specifically designed for GED preparation, can request a score report from their Adult Education or Continuing Education program staff.

The official transcript of the Texas Certificate of High School Equivalency designates the College Ready score earned on any of the four GED exams with an asterisk (*) next to the score. Please see the sample transcript below for details.

Sample Transcript with GED College Ready Scores:



STATE OF TEXAS

OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE OF HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY

Name: Sample GED
Date Of Birth: [redacted]
File ID: [redacted]

OFFICIAL GED® TEST SCORES

Test Subject	Test Score	Percentile Rank	Test Language	Test Format	Test Date
Mathematical Reasoning	158	52	English	Computer	4/28/2021
Science	171 *	88	English	Computer	4/6/2021
Social Studies	185 *	96	English	Computer	4/14/2021
Reasoning Through Language Arts	174 *	93	English	Computer	3/30/2021

Test Results: Pass

This individual has been awarded an Official Certificate of High School Equivalency.

Commissioner of Education

Issued: April 8, 2021

Certificate Number: 222222

The authenticity of this certificate can be verified online at www.txchse.com.

* Indicates test scores meet college & career readiness standards

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