

# General Education Development (GED)

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The Education Program provides residents with the opportunity to obtain an alternative diploma whenever appropriate. The High School Equivalency Diploma Program, also known as General Education Development (GED), awards Senior High School Equivalency Diplomas to residents who successfully complete testing in conformance with RI Department of Education regulations.

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### Procedure from Policy 1200.1731: General Education Development (GED)

- A. Eligible residents are assessed for enrollment in the General Education Development (GED) Program. The assessment determines the resident's desire and ability to obtain a GED.
- B. Residents must also meet one or more of the following criteria:
  - 1. Have attained 16 years of age;
  - 2. Not be enrolled or required to be enrolled in high school under State law;
  - 3. Lack sufficient mastery of basic educational skills that would allow them to reach their full potential;
  - 4. Not have a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent (GED).
- C. Preparation for and success on the GED examination includes study in the following subjects:
  - 1. Writing Skills, Part I : Sentence structure, usage, spelling, punctuation, capitalization
  - 2. Writing Skills, Part II: Essay
  - 3. Social Studies: History, Economics, Political Science, Geography, Behavioral Sciences
  - 4. Science: Life Science, Physical Sciences
  - 5. Interpreting Literature and the Arts: Popular literature, Classical literature, Commentary on Literature and the Arts
  - 6. Mathematics: Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry
- D. Residents must receive a passing score as determined by the American Council on Education and the RI Department of Education to receive a GED.
- E. The GED Program is provided at no cost to residents.
- F. Paragraphs A - E are consistent with Correctional Education Association Standards 43 and 46 as well as American Correctional Association Standards 3-JTS-5D-02; 3-JTS-5D-03; 3-JTS-5D-04; 3-JTS-5D-06; 3-JTS-5D- 07 and 3-JTS-5D-08.