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### SERVING THE COUNTIES OF FRANKLIN, GADSDEN, JEFFERSON, LEON, LIBERTY, MADISON, TAYLOR AND WAKULLA

In an effort to promote public safety and reduce recidivism, the United States District Court in the Northern District of Florida is dedicated to providing employment and education assistance to those on pre-trial and post-conviction supervision.

# <u>GED</u>

If you do not have a high school diploma or general educational development certification (GED), you are encouraged to enroll in and take what is called a GED Prep Class. The following provided are the locations and information for the GED Prep Class sites in Leon, Franklin, Gadsden, Liberty, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla counties.

#### **Franklin County**

Nick O'Grady Curriculum and Vocational Education 85 School Road Eastpoint, FL 32328 Phone: (850) 670-2810 Ext. 4110 View website

### **Gadsden County**

Evonski Bulger Gadsden Technical Institute 201 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard Quincy, FL 32353 Phone: (850) 875-8324 Ext. 5127 View website

# Jefferson County

Vickie Boland Jefferson County Schools Adult Education 575 South Waters Street Monticello, FL 32344 Phone: (850)342-0100, ext. 0522 View website

### Leon County

Karen Hill Tallahassee Community College 444 Appleyard Drive Tallahassee, FL 32304-2895 Phone: (850) 201-6104 View website

### Leon County

Rochel Abrams Adult & Community Education 283 Trojan Trail Tallahassee, FL 32311 Phone: (850) 922-5343 View website

#### Liberty County

Rita Lewis Liberty County District Assessment Resource Center 11109 NW Highway 20 Bristol, FL 32321 Phone: (850) 643-1016 Ext.208 View website

# **Madison County**

Kathy Smith Adult Education Program 210 NE Duval Avenue Madison, FL 32340 Phone: (850) 973-1525 View website

# **Taylor County**

Christy Moody Taylor Technical Institute 3233 South Byron Butler Parkway Perry, FL 32348 Phone: (850) 838-2545 View website

# Wakulla County

Misty Taylor Wakulla Adult Education 126 High Drive Crawfordville, FL. 32327 Phone: (850) 926-1841 View website

### What is on the GED Test?

The GED is a four-part exam. Candidates are tested in subject areas typically taught in traditional classrooms such as: reasoning through language arts, math, science, and social studies. Questions consist of multiple-choice, short answer, fill-in-the-blank, or essay formats. Because the exam requires more than seven hours of testing, many Florida centers offer it over two or three days. The test can also be taken one or two subjects at a time; passing all parts of the test results in a State of Florida High School Diploma.

### How is the GED Scored and What Happens if I Don't Pass?

Each section of the GED is scored the same in all states that offer the test. You can earn a score as high as 200 on each section and a score of 145 or higher is needed to pass in Florida. A score of 170 in each section is designated as an honors diploma and is considered an indication of college and career readiness. If you do not pass the GED the first time, you can retake all or part of the exam. Florida allows each section to be taken a maximum of three times per year in English. The test is also offered in Spanish, with a limit of two attempts per year.

### Who is Eligible?

According to the GED Testing Service, the GED may be given to those who are at least 18 years old if they are not enrolled in or have not graduated from, an accredited high schools. You may be granted an age waiver if you are 16 or 17 and meet certain requirements. Proof of residency is not required to take the GED in Florida (but all test-takers who take the exam in Florida receive a Florida diploma even if they reside in another state).

### What if I don't have the money to pay for these classes or for the actual GED Exam?

You are encouraged to discuss this concern with your probation officer. There may be alternative programs or financial assistance available in extenuating circumstances. The need for financial assistance will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.