



**New Bedford Public Schools  
Division of Adult/Continuing Education & Summer School**

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# GED Test Registration

**GED Candidates must register two weeks prior to testing.  
Please allow minimally 30 minutes to complete the process.**



## Day Registration Schedule\*

**Location:** Division of Adult/Continuing Education & Summer School Office  
181 Hillman Street, Building 9, Room 209, New Bedford, MA

**Registrations accepted:** Any Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday; 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

\*Registrations are curtailed during July and August.

Please call to confirm that registration is being conducted.

## Evening Registration Schedule

**Location:** New Bedford High School, 230 Hathaway Boulevard, New Bedford, MA  
Green House, Room 114

Evening registration is conducted on Mondays from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. on the date specified below:

September 12, 2011

October 3, 2011

November 7, 2011

December 5, 2011

January 9, 2012

February 6, 2012

March 5, 2012

April 9, 2012

May 7, 2012

June 4, 2012



***Please note: GED Test Fees are not refundable!***

### Steps to Registering for the GED Test:

1. Call the Adult Education Test Center, (508) 997-4511 ext. 2419 to check on any outstanding “NO Show” Fees (must be paid in full in order to register or reregister).

## Steps to Registering for the GED Test (continued):

2. Bring the following required items in order to complete the registration process:
  - a. Current Massachusetts photo identification in excellent condition. The identification card must have a date of birth and signature.  
(If you need a picture ID and you are 59 years of age or older, call the *Council on Aging* for details at 991-6250.)
  - b. Registration Fee: **\$65.00** - Bank check or money order accepted made payable to: City of New Bedford. (Personal checks will not be accepted)  
  
**Please note:** GED Test fees will **not** be refunded.
  - c. If under 18 years of age, an Official High School **WITHDRAWAL LETTER** is required. The withdrawal letter must be signed by the **School Principal** or **Director of Guidance** and they must be so designated on the letterhead. (Discharge Card and/or Transcripts **not** acceptable.)
  - d. If under 18 years of age, parental signature ***is required*** on the Massachusetts Department of Education Verification of Eligibility Form. Any form, requiring parental signature, will be provided and/or can be obtained in advance at the Division of Adult/Continuing Education, 181 Hillman Street, Building 9, Room 209, New Bedford, MA.

**NOTE:** On any day New Bedford Public Schools are closed due to weather conditions, GED Testing and/or registration is cancelled for that day. Other closings are available on local television and radio stations.

## Timeframe for Completing the GED Test Battery:

Beginning January 1, 2005 individuals must complete the five-test battery within one year from the date of taking their first test. Examinees who complete the five-test battery within the one-year, but still have not passed, will be allowed two (2) more years to successfully complete the battery (This is the Three Year Rule). If an examinee does not successfully complete the battery during the next two years, all scores and fees become invalid and the examinee must start the process over.

Please note that a new GED test is being developed by the GED Testing Service. The new GED Test will be released sometime in 2014 thus impacting the “Three Year Rule.” Students should be aware of this change. (Scores can not be combined from the current test with the new test to be released in 2014.)

The full battery consists of five exams: Language Arts Reading, Language Arts Writing, Science, Social Studies and Mathematics.

## GED Passing Score:

Effective January 1, 2002 the minimum passing score in Massachusetts will be a standard score of 410 on each of the five tests, and an average standard score of 450 on all five tests. The total standard score must be equal to or exceed 2250.

**Special test arrangements** can be requested with appropriate documentation.

For further information, please call 997-4511, ext. 2419. (TTY: 991-5710)