

Ohio's Adult Workforce Options

| | Adult Diploma Competency Based Educational Program (Adult Workforce Diploma Program) (ORC 3313.92 and OAC 3301-44) | Aspire WIOA Title II | High School Equivalency (ORC 3301.81 and 3301.80 and OAC 3301-01-41) | High School Continuation (ORC 3313.531 and OAC 3301-43) |
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| Age | 18 and older | 16 and older | 16 and older | 16 and older |
| Diploma Type | State issued high school diploma. | N/A | Nationally issued Ohio High School Equivalence diploma. | Locally issued high school diploma. |
| Availability | Approved educational institutions throughout the state; program is no-cost. | 55 programs with classes available in all 88 counties. Most programs offer classes in person and/or virtually. | Available at approved testing centers throughout the state. There is a cost associated with taking the test, with vouchers available for first-time takers. | Available at participating districts throughout the state. |
| Testing | Students must meet the graduation requirements in Option 1 (End of Course exams or ACT WorkKeys) or Option 2 (course credits). Both options include additional requirements. | Students must complete a state-approved assessment. | Approved Ohio testing vendors (GED® and HiSET®) are located throughout the state. Test-takers must pass all vendor subtests. Scores do not merge between vendors. | Students must meet the graduation requirements in place when they enter ninth grade. This includes earning the required credits and passing the proficiency or Ohio Graduation Tests, unless they are exempt. |
| Application/Enrollment Requirements | No minimum number of high school credits required to enroll. Must be an Ohio resident, without a high school diploma or high school equivalence diploma. | Students must complete an orientation and all necessary paperwork. All students must show proof of citizenship or have entered our country through legal means. | All test-takers must apply online through an approved testing vendor. They must be Ohio residents, officially withdrawn from school, and at least 19 years old. Individuals ages 16–17 may test only if they are officially withdrawn from school and have written permission from a parent, guardian, or the court. | |
| Duration | Maximum of three consecutive years to complete the program. | There is no time limit to complete the program. | There is no time limit to complete testing. | There is no time limit to complete the program. |
| Additional Requirements | No additional requirements. | No additional requirements. | Accommodation requests must be submitted to the GED® or HiSET® assessment vendors. | No additional requirements. |

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