

ORGANIZATION	LOCATION(S)	HOURS	SKILL(S) OFFERED	ELIGIBILITY
Atlantic Cape Community College (609) 343-4817 www.atlantic.edu	Charles D. Worthington City Center 1535 Bacharach Boulevard Atlantic City, NJ 08401	Days & Times Vary Flexible Hours	ABE Computer Literacy ESL GED Test Preparation Job Readiness Life Skills/Workplace Literacy Civics	\$15 Registration Fee 16+ Open to Public
Atlantic City Adult High School (609) 343-7300 Ext. 2234	1400 Albany Avenue Atlantic City, NJ 08401	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday September - May	ABE ESL Computer Literacy GED Test Preparation	16+ / Open to Public ESL - \$30 Fee Computer Literacy AC Residents \$10 Fee Non-Residents \$25 Fee
Atlantic City Even Start Family Literacy Program (609) 344-6952	200 North Texas Avenue Atlantic City, NJ 08401	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday	Childcare / Parenting Skills Parent Child Interaction Activities In-Home Educators	Based on income eligibility. Must be the parent of children under the age of five. ABE/ESL/GED Referrals
Atlantic County One Stop Career Center - Pleasantville Office GED Test Center (609) 485-0052 Ext. 112, 140	2 South Main Street Pleasantville, NJ 08232	8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday	GED Examinations	18 + Open to the Public 16 & 17 with Consent Form \$25 Money Order Social Security Card, Photo ID
Atlantic City Library (609) 345-2269 Ext. 3066 www.acfpl.org	1 North Tennessee Avenue Atlantic City, NJ 08401	10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Thursday, Friday, Saturday	Computer Literacy Workshops ESL- Self Paced Instruction Call for a schedule	None
Atlantic City Rescue Mission (609) 345-5517 www.acrescuemission.org	2009 Bacharach Boulevard Atlantic City, NJ 08401	Flexible Hours Open 7 Days A Week	GED Test Preparation	Must be a resident of the Rescue Mission
Atlantic County One Stop Career Center Workforce Learning Links Pleasantville Office (609) 813-2363 Hammonton Office (609) 561-8800	Pleasantville Office: 2 South Main Street, Pleasantville, NJ 08232 Hammonton Office: 44 White Horse Pike, Hammonton, NJ 08037	8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday	ABE ESL Computer Literacy GED Test Preparation Job Readiness	18+ Open to Public
Atlantic County One Stop Career Center - Atlantic City Office (609) 345-6700 Ext. 2776	1333 Atlantic Avenue Atlantic City, NJ 08401	8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday	ABE ESL GED Test Preparation Job Readiness/Job Search Assistance	18+
Atlantic County Women's Center Home to Work Program (609) 601-9925 Ext. 204	The Cornerstone Commerce Center 1201 New Road, Suite 240 Linwood, NJ 08221	Times Vary Flexible Hours Evening Classes Available	Computer Literacy GED Test Preparation Job Readiness Life Skills / Specialized Workshops	16+ Open to Public
Cape May County One Stop Career Center Workforce Learning Link Wildwood Office (609) 729-0997	3810 New Jersey Avenue Wildwood, NJ 08260	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday	ABE Computer Literacy GED Test Preparation ESL Job Readiness/Job Search Assistance	18+ Open to Public
Cape May County Technical School District (609) 465-2161 GED Test Center Ext. 646, 648 www.capemaytech.com	188 Crest Haven Road Cape May Court House, NJ 08210	Call for registration	GED Examinations	18 + Open to the Public 16 & 17 with Consent Form \$25 Money Order Social Security Card, Photo ID
Cape May County Technical School District (609) 465-2161 ext. 644 www.capemaytech.com	Locations in Cape May Court House and Wildwood	Day and Evening Hours	ABE Computer Literacy ESL, ESL Civics GED Preparation	16+ Open to Public
Covenant House (609) 348-4070 Ext. 32	929 Atlantic Avenue Atlantic City, NJ 08401	Appointments only	ABE/GED Test Preparation Job Readiness Life Skills	Out of School 21 & Under
Literacy Volunteers Association Cape Atlantic, Inc. (609) 383-3377	Administrative Office 743 N. Main Street, Pleasantville, NJ 08232 Class Locations Vary	Days and times vary based on participants schedule with flexible hours	ABE ESL One-on-One Tutoring	Open to the Public 16+ / Out of School Uses volunteers as tutors
New Jersey Youth Corps Program (609) 485-0052 Ext. 135, 144	Atlantic County One Stop Career Center 2 South Main Street Pleasantville, NJ 08232	8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday - Friday	GED Test Preparation Job Readiness Life Skills and Employability Stipends Paid	Young adults ages 16-25 who are out of school and need to complete their high school education
Pleasantville Adult Basic Skills (609) 383-6878 Ext. 2360	Pleasantville Middle School 601 Mill Road Pleasantville, NJ 08232 Room 105A	5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Monday - Friday September - May	ABE ESL GED Test Preparation Computer Literacy/Citizenship Classes	Adults 16+ who do not have a GED or high school diploma / Limited English Proficiency Photo ID Required /Social Security Card Required Free Transport/Free Child Care/Open Enrollment
Rural Opportunities (609) 567-3500 www.ruraling.org	11 12th Street, Unit A Hammonton, NJ 08037	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday	Career Development On-the-Job Training	Low income Documented Farm workers
State of New Jersey Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services Pleasantville Office (609) 813-3933 Wildwood Office (609) 523-0330 www.wnjp.in.org	2 South Main Street Pleasantville, NJ 08232 3810 New Jersey Avenue Wildwood, NJ 08260	Office Hours 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday	Vocational Rehabilitation Services Career Guidance & Counseling Education & Training Job Search Assistance	Individuals must have a physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability

GED Testing

This directory has been developed by the Literacy Committee of the Atlantic Cape May Workforce Investment Board (WIB) to inform social service agencies, community advocate organizations and individuals in need of upgrading their basic and workplace literacy skills about the many cost free resources available in the community.

The purpose of the WIB Literacy Committee

The Literacy Committee of the Atlantic Cape May WIB coordinates and develops collaborative approaches to manage and assess literacy issues and how those issues affect workplace readiness for residents of Atlantic and Cape May counties.

The Literacy Committee is composed of constituents from both the public and private sectors who are committed to providing the community with quality programs and services that meet residents needs and give them an opportunity to join the labor market.

The mission of the Committee is to provide a system of support to our area service providers to help them develop or enhance their adult literacy programs to assist individuals learn the essential workplace literacy skills.

The Committee creates and implements programs and services for adults that address:

- Workplace Literacy

- English as a Second Language (ESL)

- Adult Basic Education (ABE)

- General Education Development (GED) test preparation

I. GED

The General Education Development test or GED is offered to those individuals testing near or above the fifth grade reading level and/or are currently enrolled in a GED preparation class focused on upgrading the necessary basic skills. Most of the classes offer basic reading skills to improve comprehension, apply higher-order thinking skills and opportunities to develop real-life competencies such as resume writing, reading schedules, graphs and becoming equipped for the future. Any individuals over the age of 18 seeking a GED or individuals 16 and 17 (must have parental permission) are eligible to take the GED Test.

II. ESL

English as a Second Language or ESL classes are designed for adults who want to improve their current reading/writing skills or learn English if it is not their native language. Individuals may meet one on one with volunteer tutors or in a structured classroom environment to learn to read, write and communicate effectively in English.

III. ABE

Adult Basic Education or ABE includes instruction for adults with little to no reading skills; learners are offered a structured approach in small group settings with teachers or one on one with volunteer tutors to increase basic skills. ABE classes include instruction on reading, creative and practical writing, spelling, penmanship, math and critical thinking skills.

IV. Workplace Literacy

Workplace Literacy: Individuals participating in Workplace Literacy classes will be given an opportunity to increase their computer, writing and math skills needed to advance in today's job market. Most classes offer techniques in resume writing and interviewing.

One Stop Workforce Learning Links: Instructor assisted computer centers are located in several One Stop Career Centers and are open to adults preparing to re-enter the workforce or gain skills to increase employability. In most cases, ESL and ABE software is available for self-paced academics.

WHO is eligible to take the GED Test?

Any individuals over the age of 18 seeking a GED. Individuals 16 and 17 must have parental permission to take the GED Test.

WHAT is required to take the GED Test?

Pre-registration is required to take the test. Individuals must bring two forms of identification with them to the registration. One form of identification must be a state issued photo ID and the other must be a legal form of ID that bears the same name as the state issued photo ID.

In addition, individuals registering to take the GED test must bring a money order payable to Treasurer, State of New Jersey in the amount of \$25.00 with them at the time of registration.

WHAT happens if an individual doesn't pass the GED Test?

Individuals will be given two additional opportunities within one year of the initial test date to re-take the test at no additional cost. After six months from the initial test date has passed, individuals will be required to register and pay again to take the GED Test. You can register online at ged123.com. An email address is required. Create a free email account at yahoo.com

WHEN is the GED Test offered?

The GED Test is offered at two sites, one in each county throughout the month. Call for specific dates. It's important that individuals take into consideration that there are many people registering to take the test and plan accordingly with regards to transportation and payment. Cash and personal checks are not accepted!

WHAT is on the GED Test?

The GED Tests are a set of five tests in the core high school curriculum areas that include:

- Language Arts: Writing
- Language Arts: Reading
- Mathematics: Part 1 (calculators permitted)
- Mathematics: Part 2 (calculators not permitted)
- Social Studies
- Science

The tests contains multiple choice questions and an essay component. Individuals must pass the essay portion of the GED Test in order to receive a passing score for the test.

WHERE is the GED Test held?

Each county has a testing site. In Atlantic County the test is operated by Atlantic County One Stop Career Center. In Cape May County the Cape May County Technical School offers the test.

Atlantic County Residents

Atlantic County One Stop Career Center
2 South Main Street
Pleasantville, NJ 08232
(609) 485-0052 ext. 120

Cape May County Residents

Cape May County Technical School
188 Crest Haven Rd.
Cape May Court House, NJ 08210
(609) 465-2161 ext. 648

WHY take the GED Test?

- Higher Wages : One average person who earn their GED can expect \$7,000 more per year in wages (U.S. 2000 Census Data).
- Better Opportunities: Earning a GED, can open new doors to advancement either in your current job in a brand new field.
- Sense of Accomplishment: Most GED earners convey a real sense of accomplishment when they obtain their GED

The GED is recognized as a high school credential by many employers across many industries in the State of New Jersey. In fact, 95% of U.S. employers consider GED graduates the same as traditional high school graduates.

GED graduates include: comedian Bill Cosby, actor Christian Slater, Delaware's Governor Ruth Ann Miller and United States Senator Ben Campbell of Colorado.

Are you ready to take your GED?

Services Available at your local

Workforce Learning Link!

- ★ Attend for Free
- ★ Convenient Hours
- ★ Instructor Assisted
- ★ Learn Computer Skills
- ★ Specialized Workshops
- ★ Work at your own pace
- ★ Walk in/No Appointments
- ★ Improve Reading & Math
- ★ GED Preparation

Stop by a Workforce Learning Link to study for the GED Test.
Wildwood
(609) 729-0997

Hammonton
(609) 561-8800

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A resource guide of area literacy providers that offer Adult Basic Education (ABE), English as a Second Language (ESL), General Education Development (GED) Test Preparation and Workplace Literacy programs and services

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