# GED 2014 / GED 2002 Edition Test Comparison

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**Computer Knowledge**

- ✓ Strong Basic Computer Skills needed, including usage of mouse, typing and moving between computer screens
- ✓ Have access to email for registration

**Subject Areas**

**Four Tests:**
1. Reasoning Through Language Arts
2. Mathematical Reasoning
3. Science
4. Social Studies

**Five Tests:**
1. Reading
2. Science
3. Social Studies
4. Math
5. Writing

**Testing Modes**

1. Multiple Choice
2. Extended Response
3. Drag and Drop
4. Drop Down
5. Fill-in the Blank
6. Hot Spot
7. Short Answers

1. Multiple Choice
2. Fill-in blanks (Math only)
3. Extended Response (Essay) – Writing only

**Scheduling Tests**

- ✓ Handled by Pearson Vue at www.GED.com
- ✓ Handled by Testing Centers

**Accommodations**

- ✓ Handled by Pearson Vue at www.GED.com
- ✓ Handled by Testing Centers (aka PCC)

**Scoring and Score Reports**

- ✓ Scores based on scale of 100 to 200. 150 passing. No average needed to complete tests.
  - Writing will be scored by computer system and results available sooner than previous version
  - Score Reports will include feedback to help failed testers to improve scores.
- ✓ Scores based on a scale of 200 to 800. Passing score of 420 and passing average of 450 required
  - Writing scored by hand which at times delayed results
  - No details available on scores.

**Retakes**

- ✓ Passed Tests can be retaken to improve scores. It is not necessary to retake all tests before repeating a test.
  - Each test may be taken three (3) times with no waiting period. After that they may be taken again after 60 days – up to eight (8) retakes per year.
- ✓ Passed Tests retaken in order to achieve passing average after all other tests had been passed.
  - Each test could be taken a maximum of three (3) times per year.
### GED 2014 Edition

| Math Specific | ✓ On-screen calculator available for all but five (5) questions of the Math Test. |
| ✓ Some Math formulas provided for Math Test, but testers are expected to know simple formulas; such as formula for calculating the area of a circle, etc. |
| Breaks | ✓ Ten minute monitored break provided during the Reasoning Through Language Arts Test. |
| ✓ Testers provided with erasable note boards for notes and calculations. |
| Cost | ✓ $38 each test. Not necessary to pay for all tests at once. |
| Payments | ✓ Handled by Pearson Vue at [www.GED.com](http://www.pcc.edu/resources/testing/ged/) |
| Testing Vouchers | ✓ Programs can purchase vouchers for issuing to students at [http://www.pearsonvue.com/vouchers/pricelist/ged.asp](http://www.pearsonvue.com/vouchers/pricelist/ged.asp) |

### GED 2002 Edition

| ✓ Hand-held calculator available only for the first twenty-five (25) questions. |
| ✓ Math formulas provided for Math test. |
| Breaks | ✓ Breaks during testing only available as an accommodation. |
| ✓ Testers provided with scratch paper. |
| Cost | ✓ $120 for the entire battery and had to be paid all at once. Retakes were $25. |
| Payments | ✓ Handled by Testing Centers (aka PCC) |
| Testing Vouchers | ✓ Testing Centers billed Prep Programs or students paid at Business Office. |

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**Information about GED Testing at PCC**

[http://www.pcc.edu/resources/testing/ged/](http://www.pcc.edu/resources/testing/ged/)

**2014 Computer Test Registering/Scheduling/Test-taking Tutorial:**

[www.GEDtestingservice.com/tutorials](http://www.GEDtestingservice.com/tutorials)  
[http://www.gedtestingservice.com/testers/test-on-computer-tutorials](http://www.gedtestingservice.com/testers/test-on-computer-tutorials)