

NELSON COUNTY ADULT EDUCATION: FREE ADULT GED CLASSES

Education Can Accelerate Your Earnings

- A GED graduate earns an average of \$7000 more each year and is less likely to be unemployed than a worker without a GED or diploma.
- GED Graduates are Winners!
- GED graduates are qualified for greater responsibilities and promotions.
- GED graduates are likely to receive job-specific technical-skills training.
- GED graduates can accomplish as much in college and technical training as traditional high school graduates.
- GED graduates can help their children achieve in school.

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO LEARN!

You may qualify for the FAST TRACK program to pass the GED test within 90 days.

For additional information about the GED:

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NELSON COUNTY ADULT ABE/GED PROGRAM FAQs

IS THIS FREE? Yes. Nelson County offers FREE education to adults who have not completed high school. FREE pre-test/assessment, FREE materials, and FREE classes.

WHERE IS THE NIGHT CLASS HELD? The night classes are held at the Nelson County High School (NCHS) in Room 319. We are in the 300 Wing at the back of NCHS. Go in the lower door without steps, turn left and walk straight down the hall. Room 319 is the last door on your left.

WHEN IS THE NIGHT CLASS HELD? The fall session begins the Monday Labor Day and goes until just before Thanksgiving. The winter/spring session begins the Monday after New Year's Day and ends before Memorial Day. We hold classes on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

WHERE IS THE DAY CLASS HELD? The day class is held in a meeting room at the Nelson Center on Route 29 in Lovingson (the old Lovingson Elementary School)

WHEN IS THE DAY CLASS HELD? The fall session begins the Tuesday after Labor Day and goes until just before Thanksgiving. The winter/spring session begins the Tuesday after New Year's Day and ends before Memorial Day. We hold classes on Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 am to noon.

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO PREPARE FOR THE GED? The answer varies with each adult. It depends on how much material you need to learn, how quickly you learn and how much time you can put into your studies. Adults have many demands on their time, so our program can work with people who only have a few hours a week to spend on their studies. One thing is definite, the more time you put in, the faster you reach your goal. The program is designed so that you can work at home and/or in regular classes.

IS THE GED TEST HARD? One-third of high school graduates would fail.

WHAT IS ON THE GED TEST? The GED test is an eight-hour test. It can be taken in two four-hour sessions. There are five parts. The first part is Language Arts-Writing.

In this part you write an essay and answer multiple-choice grammar questions based on real-life materials. The second part is Social Studies where you read passages and answer multiple-choice questions on them. The third part is Science where you read passages and answer multiple-choice questions on them. The fourth part is Language Arts ñ Reading where you read passages and answer multiple-choice questions about them. The last part is Mathematics which uses real-life situations to answer questions from basic math algebra and geometry. You can use a calculator on art of the math test. The test parts may be given in any order.

HOW DO I TAKE THE GED TEST? The GED test will be given four times the school year in Nelson County. It is also given in Madison Heights, Lynchburg, Charlottesville and other sites throughout the state. It is given in every state in the USA. You must register for the test in advance. Please come to class for further details and to register. The entire GED test costs \$43.50, including a one-time registration fee. Each individual test is \$7.00.

WHAT IF I DON'T PASS THE GED TEST? If you don't pass any part of the test, you only need to retake the part you failed.

WHAT IS THE OFFICAL GED PRETEST? This is a half-length test to let you see how you would do on the actual GED test. You may pick up a FREE pretest at the Nelson Memorial Library or the Blue Ridge Medical Center, both are on Route 29. When you pick up the test, you will have one week to bring it back. You will get your test results as soon as possible.

WHAT IF I HAD TROUBLE IN SCHOOL? The class is individualized. Each person works on what they need. The class as a whole works on activities suitable for everyone. We have students at all levels. We have materials for everyone (including LD and gifted).

We begin with students at the fourth grade level and above. We refer students as needed.

WHO CAN COME TO CLASS? Anyone who wants to further their education or improve work-related skills. You should be 18 years old to attend class. No one is too old!

WHAT SHOULD I BRING TO CLASS? Bring pencil, pen and some paper. If you do not have these they can be supplied. If you wear eyeglasses, bring them with you.

Adults have many roles workers, citizens and parents. Having your high school education completed will help you do your best.

Come in and work on an area that you need and go for your GED certificate.

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