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TO: All NYSED Funded Adult Education Programs

FROM: Marisa Boomhower, Director of Adult Education Program and Policy Unit

SUBJECT: Transition to GED Ready Test

This memo is intended to provide guidance to all AEPP funded programs as we transition to the GED test leading to a New York State High School Equivalency Diploma. All funded programs include WIOA Areas 1, 2, 3, and 4, WEP, EPE, and ALE funding. Please also note this memo pertains to the TASC Readiness and GED Ready test, all other procedures for transitioning from the TASC to the GED are communicated through the High School Equivalency Department of NYSED. The best and most current source of information can be found on their communication website: <http://www.acces.nysed.gov/hse/high-school-equivalency-hse>

We are aware that our AEPP funded programs may have an inventory of TASC Readiness Tests. We are encouraging all programs to communicate directly with the Data Recognition Corporation to negotiate possible credits toward the purchase of TABE materials. Should that not be possible, given the expedient time frame, all AEPP funded programs are permitted to utilize their inventory of TASC Readiness Tests through June 30, 2022. The TASC Readiness Test score must be recorded in ASISTS before a student is referred to the GED test.

All AEPP funded programs must purchase and begin using the GED Ready Practice Test as soon as possible for students receiving services from AEPP funded programs. The GED Ready Practice Test is required before a student is referred to sit for the GED Test. The tests are purchased directly from GEDTS. Those programs that have budgeted for the purchase of the TASC Readiness Test are not required to submit any amendments to their budget. The same allocation used for the TASC Readiness Test may not be used to purchase the GED Ready Practice Test.

Pasted below is the GED Ready Practice Test scoring scale. Students must score a minimum of 134 on the GED Ready Practice Test before they can be referred to take each GED subtest. Students scoring between 100 – 133 should be supported by the preparation program with more instruction. The GED Ready Practice Test may be given as often as necessary until a score of 134 or higher is achieved. The GED Ready Practice Test score will be recorded in ASISTS. The ASISTS staff is working to add the GED Ready Practice Test to the Assessment interface in ASISTS. Notice of completion of this customized field will be sent directly from the ASISTS support center via their email blast.

Not Likely to Pass	Too Close to Call	Likely to Pass
100-133	134-144	145-200

The GED Ready Practice Test is purchased directly from GEDTS. The website for ordering:
<https://ged.com/faqs/ged-ready/>

AEPP does not require programs to utilize specific HSE preparation materials. Programs may choose those materials they believe are best suited for their students. We encourage all preparation programs to continue using the comprehensive resources supported by AEPP and developed through a joint project with CUNY. These resources are provided at no cost to any AEPP funded program and can be found on the www.CollectEdNY.org website. All the materials found on this website are downloadable. Programs are assured the materials continue to support all HSE competency levels needed to prepare students for the HSE test.

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