



## Announcing the new Indiana High School Equivalency Diploma

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*High School Equivalency is changing in Indiana. Please help us spread the word.*

Beginning in January of 2014, the Indiana High School Equivalency Diploma will be based on the completion of a comprehensive test developed by CTB/McGraw-Hill instead of the GED® tests from GED Testing Service.

### What will be the SAME?

- The credential granted will still be the Indiana High School Equivalency Diploma.
- The test will still assess math, reading, writing, science, and social studies.
- The test will still take about 7 hours.
- Test-takers still need to demonstrate proficiency in subject matter tested at the level of typical high school seniors in the nation in order to pass.

### What will be DIFFERENT?

- The name of the test will be the Indiana High School Equivalency test.
- Transcripts will show Indiana High School Equivalency test scores.
- Standard scores on the transcript will be shown on a different scale.
- The test will be a better indicator of a student's readiness for college or career.
- The rigor of the test will gradually align to the College and Career Readiness Standards for Adult Education over the next three years, which will help students and educators stay focused on fundamentals while also gradually deepening the level of knowledge required.

### Background:

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It is a new world in high school equivalency. This is the first time more than one high school equivalency test has been available to states. High school equivalency has always been based on state requirements, but most people have referred to "GED®" as the generic title. Now many states, including Indiana, have selected a new high school equivalency test.

### How you can help:

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- An applicant with a passing score on the new Indiana High School Equivalency Diploma test is a qualified high school equivalency graduate.
  - If it is possible, please change "GED" on your application forms to "High School Equivalency Diploma." If forms can't be changed at this time, please be sure that admissions staff and Human Resource officials understand that those who pass the Indiana High School Equivalency test have a legitimate high school equivalency credential.
  - If you have questions, contact the Department of Workforce Development at [adulted@dwd.in.gov](mailto:adulted@dwd.in.gov) or 317-233-6480.
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