

GED in 2014

Did you know there are over one million Ohioans without a high school certification?

Norwalk City Schools Adult Basic and Literacy Education (ABLE) program looks to decrease this number by providing adults the knowledge and skills to earn the equivalent of a high school diploma.

The 2014 GED test cost \$120 or \$30 per section (Reading/Language Arts, Science, Social Studies, and Math). As of January 1, 2014 any previous GED test sections that did not lead to a GED completion, will no longer be counted, and individuals will need to retake those sections.

Ohio's Adult Basic and Literacy Education (ABLE) System is funded with dollars from the federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA), Title II, the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act and with state dollars appropriated by the Ohio General Assembly as a part of the University System of Ohio.

The program is available for adults at **no charge**.

The new test format will include multiple choice, short answer, drop and drag, multiple answers, and fill in the blank. Basic computer skills will benefit any individual planning to take the 2014 GED test.

The benefits of a high school certification are apparent in terms of income as those with a high school certification earn \$403,000 more in his or her lifetime than an individual without certification. In addition, adults can improve work abilities by becoming more confident in mathematics, science, reading and writing. These skills can assist adults who continue onto a college or university.

Today, **98 percent** of colleges accept applications from adults who passed the GED test as equivalent to high school graduation and 68 percent of adults who complete their GED aspire to study at a college or university.

Norwalk City Schools ABLE has classes in Norwalk, Willard and skill labs at the Huron County Job Store and on EHOVE's Campus. Can't make it to class? ABLE also offers Distance Education. Call for more information 419-660-1825 or 419-660-1826 or fairfaxd@norwalk-city.k12.oh.us.