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The Test Assessing Secondary Completion is CTB’s high school equivalency test.

What does TASC measure?
TASC assesses five subjects: Reading/Language Arts, Writing, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies.

When will the TASC test be available in West Virginia?
March 2014

(WV) How much does the TASC test cost for examinees in WV?
$0 in West Virginia

How many forms of the TASC test are available?
Three forms of the TASC test are available each year in English and Spanish with accommodations including large print, Braille, audio, and online assessments:

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What is the recommended wait time between retakes of the TASC test?
The recommended wait time between retakes is one month (30 days).

(WV) Is there a limit to amount of times a student can test?
Yes, three times in one calendar year.

(WV) How will students quality for application for the PROMISE scholarship with the new test?
While we are in this transitional phase, applicants who are applying for the PROMISE scholarship must score an average of 550 points on the five subtests of the TASC to qualify for the PROMISE. This score may change after full implementation of the TASC is in effect.

Is TASC aligned to the Common Core State Standards?
Yes, it is aligned to the Common Core State Standards as well as the newest Common Core State Standards for Adult Education released by the US Department of Education. TASC provides a transition to Common Core State Standards (CCSS) over a three year period (2014 to 2016). TASC will increase the Depth of Knowledge (DOK) level of items over time allowing states to gradually move from the essential concepts of the Common Core State Standards to deeper understanding.

Helpful websites for WV instructors
- WVABE TASC Information and Training Docs webpage:
  http://wvde.state.wv.us/abe/TASC_Info.html
- WVABE Livebinder with a tab for TASC:
  https://www.livebinders.com/play/play?id=411993

Do those who have already passed some of the current GED® subtests need to retake them on TASC?
Not this year (2014). Examinees are granted a grace period until December 31 of 2014 to complete their assessment using a combination of GED and TASC scores. However, beginning in 2015, GED scores will no longer be valid in WV. See http://wvde.state.wv.us/abe/TASC_Info.html for more information.

(WV) Will WVDE extend the grace period for passing scores on GED® subtests due to delayed implementation?
No.
What if someone fails a subtest on the TASC test?

Up to two retakes on each subtest can be taken at no charge as needed. The person will need to wait 30 days before retaking.

(WV) What is the highest possible score for each subtest of the TASC test?

The highest possible score is 800.

(WV) What is the passing score for each of the subtests of the TASC test?

The passing score is 500 on each subtest.

(WV) How will the writing portion of the TASC test differ from GED®? Is a sample available?

The 2014 Writing subtest will utilize a prompt and require evidence-based writing. See pages 14-16 of the following document:
http://wvde.state.wv.us/abe/documents/TASC_Training_for_Instructors.pdf

Writing

- Students will write an evidence-based informative/explanatory or an argument/opinion essay that effectively uses source text to support claims
- Source texts are between 600-800 words and focus on assessing writing standards 1 and 2
- Examinees are permitted 50 minutes for this component
- The essay is scored using the applicable 0-4 point holistic rubric with descriptors that focus on the expectations of the CCSS Writing standards
- No minimum word or paragraph requirements – expectation is for a fully developed essay
(WV) How many questions are on each subtest of the TASC test?

TASC Detailed Test Design

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How many questions does the student need to answer correctly on the TASC test to receive the passing score?

This information is not provided by the vendor.

Will a Math Formula sheet be available to test takers both for the TASC test and the TRA?

A formula sheet will be available for the Mathematics subtest but not for the Science subtest of the test.

Is a sample of the Math Formula sheet available for preview by instructors?

Yes. Follow this link: http://www.tasctest.com/assets/mathrefsheet.pdf.

Can students use a calculator on the entire math subtest?

Mathematics test consists of a calculator section and a non-calculator section

- The following calculators are approved for use with TASC
  - TI 30XA
  - TI 30XS (also used in the online version of TASC)
  - Casio FX-115ESPLUS
  - Casio FX-115MSPlus
  - Casio FX-300ESPlus
  - Casio FX-260Solar
  - HP 35S – note this requires RPN familiarity
- Online calculator is TI-30XS

http://wvde.state.wv.us/abe/documents/TASC_Training_for_Instructors.pdf

Will students be allowed to use a calculator for the Science subtest on the TASC test?

Yes. A calculator may be used for the Science subtest.

Where can teachers find resources to help students learn to use the TI-30XS?

At the WVABE LiveBinder, TASC binder under calculator resources:

When will study materials for the TASC test be available?

CTB/McGraw-Hill is engaging publishers who wish to create content for TASC. Publishers’ content will be available through their own distribution channels including sales representatives, websites, and book stores. In addition, there will be a TASC
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portal linking customers to this material. See

Why is CTB creating a new High School Equivalency test?
States and educators have asked CTB to create a test that allows them to keep using
their current testing sites and that helps them transition to Common Core State
Standards over the next three years. States all realize adults deserve a test that helps
them grow and achieve to their full potential, and states also realize that a transition of
this magnitude needs a team approach. TASC lets Adult Basic Education students,
educators, and states begin this transition in a fair, respectful, and cost-effective way.

(WV) How will WVDE market the new test to explain the changes to the public?
ABE is currently working with Communications to develop a marketing strategy and
materials. In the interim, permission has been given at local levels to create and
publish marketing materials such as Flyers.

CAVEAT: The public may not recognize the TASC acronym and connect it with the old
GED® test. Wording should include WV High School Equivalency Diploma to avoid
confusion.

Where can the TASC test be administered?
The TASC can be administered at most former GED test centers. A list of all Testing
Centers will be posted on the WVDE website.

What happens if a test taker does not pass the TASC?
They should focus further studies on areas that received low scores, which are
reported in an examinee’s test results. This means that if they had a passing score on
Reading, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies but did not reach a passing grade
on Writing, they will need to study more Writing and take that part of the test again.
The same is true for specific areas within each of the five subject areas. TASC results
will help guide and focus examinees on the right places to study. Test takers will have
two more chances to take the content area test(s) not passed during the same
calendar year. Students are encouraged to return to the WVABE or Option Pathway
class to study the subtest content not passed.
Will the TASC test scores be accepted by colleges or recognized by employers in other states?

The TASC is not a certification. The WV Department of Education issues a High School Equivalency Diploma based on the TASC score. It is accepted as any other high school diploma by institutions of higher education.

Who is eligible to take the TASC test?

Test takers must meet the following criteria to take TASC:

- Not currently enrolled in high school
- Not graduated from high school
- At least 16 years old

What are the eligibility requirements for TASC testing in WV?

All TASC™ candidates must be at least 16 years old to be admitted to TASC testing. All candidates under 18 years of age must have approval from a parent or guardian to take the TASC test, unless emancipated, court-ordered, or married.

*Sixteen (16) Year Olds*

As of September 13, 2010, guidelines for 16 year olds taking a High School Equivalency test were changed. In addition to providing the completed WV TASC Form, the sixteen year olds taking the TASC test must provide the appropriate documents as follows:

- **Option Pathway Student** – These students must provide parent’s and teacher’s signatures on the WV TASC Form and may remain enrolled in school.
- **Waiver Approved Sixteen Year Old** – Must provide a copy of an approved Wavier Request to Allow a Sixteen (16) Year Old to Take the TASC Test with parent’s signature on the waiver and WV TASC Form. The waiver reflects that the sixteen (16) year old may take the TASC test if sixteen (16) and withdrew from school during the twelfth (12th) grade or above or is repeating eleventh (11th) grade or was homeschooled prior to July 1, 2013.
- **Emancipated Youth** – Must provide a copy of the court documentation declaring emancipation. Parent’s signature is not required.
- **Married Youth** – Must provide copy of marriage license. Parent’s signature is not required.
- **Court-Ordered Youth** – Must provide a copy of the court order and may remain enrolled in school. Parent’s signature is not required.
Seventeen (17) Year Olds
In addition to providing the completed WV TASC Form, the seventeen (17) year olds taking the TASC test must provide the appropriate documents as follows:

- **Candidate’s original high school class has graduated, and the candidate is withdrawn from the regular accredited high school** – School information completed on the WV TASC Form and parent’s signature required.
- **Candidate has withdrawn from the regular accredited high school for one month prior to testing** – School information completed on the WV TASC Form and parent’s signature required.
- **Candidate was being home-schooled one month prior to testing** – School information completed on the WV TASC Form and parent’s signature required.
- **Option Pathway Student** – Must provide parent’s and teacher’s signatures on the WV TASC Form and may remain enrolled in school.
- **Emancipated Youth** – Must provide a copy of the court documentation declaring emancipation. Parent’s signature is not required.
- **Married Youth** – Must provide copy of marriage license. Parent’s signature is not required.
- **Court-Ordered Youth** – Must provide a copy of the court order and may remain enrolled in school. Parent’s signature is not required.

Eighteen (18) Year Olds
- An individual who is **18 years of age** must provide evidence of one of the following on the WV TASC Form:
  - Candidate’s original high school class has graduated, and the candidate is withdrawn from the regular accredited high school.
  - Candidate has withdrawn from the regular accredited high school prior to testing.
  - Candidate was home-schooled prior to testing.
  - Candidate was Option Pathway student.

Are there any exceptions to TASC age guidelines?
There are exceptions to age guidelines for several categories of out-of-school youth:
- Emancipated Youth
- Married Youth
- Court-Ordered Youth
- 16 year olds qualified for a Waiver
In addition, there are exceptions for youth who have not withdrawn from high school and are enrolled in the Option Pathway program.

**Emancipated Youth**
An emancipated youth who has attained legal authority and responsibility to act separately or apart from any parent or guardian must provide the court order declaring the emancipation. A copy of the court order is made, and the emancipated youth is treated as an 18 year old for the purpose of being eligible to take the TASC test.

**Married Youth**
A married youth must provide the marriage license. A copy of the marriage license is made, and the married youth is treated as an 18 year old for the purpose of being eligible to take the TASC test.

**Court-ordered Youth**
Even for court-ordered youth, no one younger than 16 years of age may take the TASC test. However, an adjudicated youth who provides a court order from a judge or an order from a magistrate designated as a juvenile referee is to be admitted for TASC testing, even if the individual is still enrolled in school.

**16 Year Olds Qualified for a Waiver**
The compulsory age school attendance age was raised to 17. Beginning with the 2011-2012 high school freshman cohort class of students, compulsory school attendance continues to the 17th birthday. Until this change takes effect for all 16 year olds, the WVDE has put in place a waiver procedure for 16 year olds meeting specific guidelines to take the TASC test. The eligibility to test varies according to a particular school term. See the chart below.

A 16 year old who meets the criteria above must complete the *Waiver Request to Allow a Sixteen Year Old to Take the TASC Test*. The following procedures should be followed to obtain the waiver:

- Principal, guidance counselor, attendance director or OIEP staff must complete the withdrawal status, sign the form and affix the school stamp or seal.
- TASC candidate and parent/guardian must also sign the form.
- A copy of the OPT scores must be attached to the completed waiver.
- The *Waiver Request* must be completed and faxed to 304-558-0048, Attention: Betty Jo Jordan, Executive Assistant to the State Superintendent of Schools.
- Waivers approved by WVDE are mailed, faxed or e-mailed to the TASC candidate.
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- The ABE instructor or TASC Examiner attaches the approved waiver to the West Virginia TASC Form that must be presented at the test registration.

Does CTB/McGraw-Hill have a free TASC practice test available?

Using the WV Library Commission’s WVInfoDepot.org portal, you can access Learning Express Library 3.0 that has a TASC practice test for students.

When will TASC test prep materials be available?
Here is a list of TASC test prep materials. Check back on the TASCtest.com site often and see what new TASC test prep materials are available.

- McGraw Hill Education TASC: The Official Guide
- TASC Test Exercise Book: Reading & Writing Sampler, Contemporary/McGraw-Hill Education
- TASC Test Exercise Book: Math Sampler, Contemporary/McGraw-Hill Education
- McGraw-Hill Education TASC ePub
- Learn Smart Achieve Adaptive Test Preparation for TASC Test 2014 (Available February 27, 2014)
- TASC Flashcard Study System: TASC Test Practice Questions & Exam Review for the Test Assessing Secondary Completion (Cards) [Paperback]
- PowerUP! Getting Started with Computers and Key Boarding
- Scoreboost for the TASC Test, New Readers Press—ProLiteracy

Are the passing scores different for the TASC Spanish test?
The passing scores are the same for English and Spanish tests.
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(WV) What is the breakdown of standards alignment for TASC subtests?

English

- English Language Arts: Reading
  - Common Core State Standards
  - College and Career Readiness Standards for Adult Education
- English Language Arts: Writing
  - Common Core State Standards
  - College and Career Readiness Standards for Adult Education

Mathematics
- Traditional mathematical pathway of the Common Core State Standards
- College and Career Readiness Standards for Adult Education

Science
- Next Generation Science Standards

Social Studies
- CTB Social Studies Standards are based on national frameworks in the areas of US history, world history, civics and government, and economics

(WV) What is the Detailed Test Design for the TASC test?

Page 6 of the following document provides details regarding test design.
http://wvde.state.wv.us/abe/documents/TASC_Training_for_Instructors.pdf

(WV) What are the test formats and accommodations for WV?

Three new TASC forms each year in both English and Spanish
- Forms A, B, and C

Test formats include
- Online
- Paper and pencil (an accommodation version but sites may use if needed)

Accommodations
- Paper and pencil
- Large print
- Braille

(WV) Will scratch paper be allowed during TASC and TRA testing?

Yes
(WV) What is the TASC Transition Plan for WV?

2014 test:
- Multiple-choice items (4 answer choices; a, b, c, d)
- Writing prompt (evidence-based writing)
- Gridded-response items (mathematics)
- Stimulus-based science and social studies item sets

2015 test:
- Technology-enabled and constructed-response items included for field testing
- These items do not count toward student scores in 2015

2016 test:
- Technology-enabled items and constructed response items contribute to student scores
- Automated essay scoring

Source: http://www.tasctest.com/tasc-test-details-for-educators.html


(WV) If candidates pass SOME parts (but not ALL parts) of the 2014 TASC test, will they have to retake even the parts they passed in the next year since it will be a different test in 2015?

TASC test scores will be valid into the next year, even though the test is changing. Thus candidates will NOT have to retake sections of the TASC test they passed in the previous year.
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(WV) **How will DOK be addressed during the transition period for WV?**

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When will the TASC Test Readiness Assessment (TRA) be available for purchase?

- Online Test – Available Now
- PDF Manuals – Available Now
- Print Administration Manuals – Available Now
- Paper and Pencil – Available Now

(WV) Is there a detailed description of the TRA?

TASC Readiness Assessment Description
- Paper/pencil (local scoring of Writing prompt)
- Online versions (local scoring of Writing prompt)
- \( \frac{1}{2} \) the length of the TASC test
- Predicted TASC passing score

**Note:** Test Takers must have a passing score on each of the subtests in order to move on to the TASC.
- Items the same quality as TASC

(WV) Can the online TRA be given on any computer in WVABE or Option Pathway classrooms or does it have to be given on a computer that meets the requirements of the TASC testing site checklist?

In order to prepare student workstations for TRA testing, computers that will be used for testing must have Internet Explorer, the latest version of Java, and Adobe AIR installed. Links to Java and Adobe AIR are included in the installation instructions on the online assessment website. Users will login to access these links.

In addition, the TASC Readiness Assessment (TRA) software must be installed on each student workstation that will be used for the online TRA. Once the software has been installed, a TASC Online Assessment icon will appear on the computer desktop. Students will click on this icon to login to the test.

It is also highly recommended that **any site that wishes to administer the online TRA** also download the TRA test content once the readiness assessment software has been installed. Instructions for installing the software and downloading the TRA test content are in the **WV TASC Readiness Assessment Guide**, which will be emailed to each testing site along with the TRA Online Readiness Assessment login information.
What is the price for the TRA?

*Online TASC Test Readiness Assessment*
- WV will purchase and provide the online TRA statewide (for WVABE and Option Pathway programs).

*Print Readiness Tests*
- $10 per test
- Sold in lots of 10
- Includes 10 complete batteries

What does a customer ordering the Print version of the TRA get?
- Print TASC Test Readiness Assessment Test Booklets for all five subtests (Mathematics, Writing, Reading, Social Studies and Science)
- Print Results Booklets*
- Mathematics Formulas Sheets
- Administrator’s Manual
*Includes subject specific Score Sheets and a Readiness Assessment Profile Sheet

What does a customer ordering the Online version of the TRA get?
- Access to Online Readiness Test Administrations
- Print Results Booklets*
- Mathematics Formulas Sheets
- PDF Administrator’s Manual
- Print Administrator’s Manual
*Includes subject specific Score Sheets and a Readiness Assessment Profile Sheet

How do WVABE and Option Pathway programs order the TRA?

The State ABE Office has ordered the online Task Readiness Assessment (TRA) for all programs (ABE, SPOKES, OEIP, and Option Pathway). Programs may order the print version of the TRA using the TASC Readiness Form (discounted through June 30, 2014).

When completing this form, indicate your RESA and your program as the site name (ex.RESA III/Boone County Learning Center or OIEP/Anthony Center or RESA III/Option Pathway Putnam County Career and Tech Center) and use your RESA site number from the WV Site Numbers document in the space for site number. Use your shipping address – not RESA in the address line. The 2014 Purchaser’s Qualification
Statement form must be completed for first time ordering. For other questions, contact CTB Customer Service at 1-888-282-0589.

- TASC Readiness Form (PDF)
- WV Site Numbers (Word)
- 2014 Purchaser’s Qualification Statement (PDF)

What is the process for installing the software needed to access the Online TRA?

The following are included in the initial “welcome” email*:
- OAS Installation Guide
- Configurations Checklist
- Online System Basics (Users Guide)
* Separate welcome e-mail sent with Username and Password

(WV) Are multiple forms of the Online TRA available?

Not at this time.

(WV) If the student fails part of the TRA and takes the test again within one month, will it be the exact same form?

Yes. However, students are not able to re-take the assessment for 30 days.

(WV) How do instructors determine student readiness to re-take the TRA?

Guidelines for Determining Readiness for the TASC

While there is only one version of the TASC Readiness Assessment (TRA) there are several other tools that can help instructors determine a student’s readiness for the TASC. The GED Academy and the LearningExpress Library should be used as early predictors for TASC students. The Official Practice Test (OPT) and the TASC Readiness Assessment (TRA) are the only two assessments that may be used to allow students to register for the TASC.

- GED Academy (soon to be renamed TASC Academy)

GED/TASC Academy offers some predictor scores for the TASC as part of the courseware. Passing the GED/TASC Academy practice tests may not be used to allow students to register for the TASC.
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- **LearningExpress Library**
  
  TASC test prep materials are available in the new LearningExpress Library™ 3.0 High School Equivalency Center, available through [WVInfoDepot.org](http://WVInfoDepot.org). Users will need to create a free account to access this material.


  **Note:** Passing the LearningExpress practice tests may NOT be used to allow students to register for the TASC test.

- **Official Practice Test (OPT)**

  Until further notice, any form of the OPT may be used to determine readiness for the TASC. Examinees must score a minimum of 420 in each subject area. The usage of the OPT will be phased out as new assessments are developed by CTB.

- **TASC Readiness Assessment (TRA)**

  The TASC Readiness Assessment is the most accurate predictor of readiness as it was developed to align with the TASC by CTB/McGraw Hill. The TRA is available in both computer and paper based. The required score on each subtest varies. There is currently only one form of the TRA and students must wait 30 days to retest. It is strongly recommended that instructors use other predictors for readiness as mentioned above before administering the TRA.

**Are the Print Version TRA booklets reusable?**

The new test booklets are consumable. They are not designed to be reused. Examinees are instructed to write in the test booklets.