

GED® AGE Waiver Process

Individuals who are at least 16 years of age and less than 18 years must apply for and be granted a waiver from the Delaware Department of Education to be able to take the official GED® test.

To be eligible to apply for a waiver, an individual must:

- Be a resident of the State of Delaware.
- Be officially withdrawn from a regular high school program.
- Be at least 16 years of age at the time of application for a waiver.

To apply for a waiver, an individual must submit a letter to the Education Associate of Adult Education through a GED® Testing Center or Adult Education program. The letter must be written by the individual seeking the waiver for permission to take the test. Attached is a copy of the template letter.

The content of the letter must include:

- Why the waiver is requested. (**Note:** reasons for seeking a waiver typically include: being able to gain employment or entry into an educational/training program.)
- Reason for withdraw from high school
- Where the test will be taken
- The name of adult education program attended if any
- Date of 18th birthday
- Student signature and date

The age waiver packet must include the letter and the following:

- A copy of the student transcript from high school
- Verification of withdrawal from high school
- Picture ID (Delaware license or Delaware ID card)

The age waiver approval will be:

- Verified, then recorded on the GED® Manager website
- Communicated by email to the student email address used for registration on the GEDTS website
- Communicated by email to the Adult Education Program, if provided on the request form

Note: GED® endorsements will be held until the student's 18th birthday. Transcripts will be sent upon request regardless of age.

GED® Age Waiver Letter

Date, Student Name, Address & Phone Number

Dr. Darrell Miller
Education Associate, Adult & Prison Education
Delaware Department of Education
John W. Collette Education Resource Center
35 Commerce Way, Suite 1
Dover, DE 19904

Dear Dr. Miller:

Please accept my request to take the GED® test prior to turning 18 years old based on the following reason(s):

I would like to take the GED® test(s) at the _____ GED® Testing Center.

I will be 18 on (Month) _____ (Day) _____ (Year) _____.

While preparing for the tests I attended preparation classes at the following program:

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

Signature

10.17.2019