HSE Express: Implementing an accelerated HSE program

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HSE Express Overview

- Accelerated curriculum & test prep (12 hrs)
- Flexible hours
- Rolling admission
- Free to student (testing fees + transportation)

- 500+ students served
- 88% HSE completion

Marketing/Recruitment

→ Social media

- → Community partners
- → Homeschooling networks
- → Website
- → Word of mouth
- → Most students find you online!
- → Indiana's presentation on AE social media best practices



Sample Ad

FREE! FASTTRACK GED CLASSES

Enroll today!

HiSET test scholarships available

Personalized instruction College & career counseling

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays Teachers available 9 a.m.-2 p.m. STLCC-Forest Park

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I'm interested!

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Enrollment Process



Initial Discussion Items

Marketing	"How did you learn about our program?"
Prior HSE class experience	"Have you ever taken HiSET or GED classes?"
HSE testing experience	"Have you taken any parts of the HiSET or GED?"
High school experience	"What is the highest grade you completed?" "Did you complete Algebra I? Algebra II? Geometry? Trigonometry?"
Barriers to attendance	 "Where do you live?" "Do you have childcare?" "Do you have transportation?" "Do you work?" "Do you have an unexpired Missouri State ID?" "Classes are free. Are you able to pay for the test?"

Student Commitment

Consider using signed agreement that includes

- Course schedule/syllabus
- Attendance requirements
- Importance of being on-time and on-task
- Testing schedule
- Costs: what's covered, what's not

Using TABE to identify candidates

MIN. TABE LOCATOR SCORES		MIN. TABE 12 SCORES	
READING	12	TABE 12 READING	D525*
MATH	7	TABE 12 MATH	D502 M518
LANGUAGE	10	TABE 12 LANGUAGE	D514 M514

* Students at an M TABE Reading level are considered candidates to *progress* to HSE Express after starting in regular ABE classes.

Once student is admitted, administer official practice test (OPT) subject-by-subject.

- **High scorers:** immediately scheduled to take that HSE subtest
- Medium scorers: given study guide, then OPT to determine subtest readiness
- Low scorers: given curriculum, then study guide, then OPT to determine subtest readiness

LearningExpress Hub (LEH)

HiSET & GED Prep

- Full-length practice tests in all test content areas (mimic live testing)
- Study plans
- Resources for skills building

https://www.learningexpresshub.com/



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Determining HiSET Readiness

Data suggests: HiSET Subtest

HiSET Subtest	Min. % on LearningExpress Hub (LEH) Practice Test
Writing	50%*
Reading	55%
Science	45%
Social Studies	50%
Math	25%

* Essay not scored, but teacher can view

Determining GED Readiness

Data suggests:

GED Subtest	Min. % on LEH	Min. Score on GED Ready
Reading Language Arts	45%	145*
Science	45%	145
Social Studies	45%	145
Math	45%	145

* Essay not scored, but teacher can view

Tutors



- Advertise on your website
- Partner with local colleges and universities
- Provide training and instructor oversight

HiSET Resources

HiSET Resource Library



GED Resources

Online Fee GED Practice Tests

- Available at ged.com
- Student account required, GED Ready is purchased during the test scheduling process
- Required for test-at-home
- Online tests in all four areas
- Mimics live testing
- No graded essay



At 165 or higher, students may

testing and remedial (non-credit)

qualify to bypass placement

courses in college

To pass the GED test, students need a score of 145 on all four subjects. At 175 or higher, students may qualify for up to 10 college credit hours at participating colleges.

Financial Supports

→ Investigate grants that support adult literacy

- Dollar General
- <u>https://www.proliteracy.org/grants-funding/</u>

→ Partner with your community



THANK YOU!

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