

## **Alachua County Underage GED Testing Policy**

*(Under no circumstances may the GED be given to persons less than 16 years of age.)*

GED candidates who are 16 or 17 years of age may take the GED Examination by completing these underage testing procedures and submitting the documentation to the ACPS GED office.

1. Completion of at least 20 hours of GED classes in a traditional classroom setting. (No online GED classes are acceptable.)
2. Completion of an Official *GED Ready* practice test with a minimum score of 145 in each of the 4 subtests.
3. Documentation of an official withdrawal from the regular high school program.
4. Completion of the Alachua County Public Schools (ACPS) *Underage GED Testing Approval* form with appropriate authentication from school counselor or principal, and parent or guardian.

Candidates first begin the online registration process at [www.GED.com](http://www.GED.com). Underage candidates will be advised to complete and submit a *Florida GED Testing Program Underage Waiver Form*. The form can be downloaded once the candidate begins the registration process.

Candidates must submit items 1-4 and the *Florida GED Testing Program Underage Waiver Form* to the GED Office at 620 East University Avenue. Forms may be faxed to (352) 955-7214 or scanned and sent to Lori Weitzel at [weitzell@gm.sbac.edu](mailto:weitzell@gm.sbac.edu). Call Lori Weitzel at (352) 955-7035 if you have any questions.

GED Testing Service will notify candidates via their GED.com account when the waiver has been approved. At this point candidates can complete their online GED registration and GED tests can be scheduled.