STEP 1: REVIEW MARYLAND STATE G-E-D TESTING REQUIREMENTS

STATE: You must be a Maryland state resident to take the G-E-D test in Maryland.

AGE: You must be at least 19 years old, or have officially withdrawn from High School by submitting a Withdrawal/Exception Form to the Maryland G-E-D Office.

INFORMATION: To review state requirements or forms visit the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation website

(NOTE: NON-STATE RESIDENTS CANNOT COMPLETE THE G-E-D TEST IN MARYLAND)

STEP 2: CREATE A G-E-D ACCOUNT TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT

ONLINE: Create your profile, and if needed request testing accommodations on the G-E-D website

SCHEDULE: Create an appointment for the exam modules you want to complete. It is recommended that students schedule no more than two modules per appointment. The charge is $11.25 per module.

LOCATION: Select Montgomery College for your appointment, and the available testing dates and times will appear depending on your campus selection.

(NOTE: ALL SCHEDULING IS COORDINATED DIRECTLY WITH G-E-D, NOT MONTGOMERY COLLEGE)

STEP 3: ATTEND AND COMPLETE YOUR G-E-D APPOINTMENT

TIME: Report for your scheduled appointment at least 15 minutes beforehand.

IDENTIFICATION: Bring an accepted, and current form of identification to your G-E-D testing appointment. The only forms of ID that will be accepted are:

A Maryland driver’s license, learner’s permit or ID card, or a current active duty military ID card.

ID WAIVER: If needed, an ID waiver form can be found on the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation website

(NOTE: NO OTHER FORMS OF ID WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT AN APPROVED ID WAIVER FORM)
WHAT IS THE G-E-D TEST?

The General Educational Development (G-E-D) test is completed on the computer, and covers four subjects in four separate exam modules.

MODULES: The G-E-D exam modules are: Reasoning through Language Arts (155 minutes), Mathematical Reasoning (120 minutes), Science (95 minutes), and Social Studies (75 minutes).

With the exception of the Reasoning through Language Arts exam, G-E-D exam modules can be completed in English or Spanish. Exam items include multiple choice, short response, fill-in-the blank, drop-down, drag-and-drop, and extended response.

WHAT IS A PASSING SCORE ON THE G-E-D TEST?

SCORES: The G-E-D test has a passing score of 145 for each module. To earn your Maryland high school equivalency you will need to score a minimum of 145 on all four modules.

MONTGOMERY COLLEGE: Students who achieve a score of 165 or higher in the Reasoning through Language Arts or Mathematical Reasoning modules are eligible to enroll in Montgomery College’s college-level English and mathematics courses respectively.

For more information about G-E-D score levels visit the G-E-D website.

HOW CAN I PREPARE FOR MY G-E-D TEST?

Montgomery College can assist with G-E-D test prep, visit the College’s website for more information:

Adult E-S-O-L & Literacy Grant (A-E-L-G) Program, G-E-D Prep Classes webpage, and Educational Opportunity Center webpage

Other resources include the Montgomery County Public Libraries website, and the official G-E-D website: Select “Study” at the top of the G-E-D homepage to review exam materials, including practice tests, questions and resources.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS?

For more information about G-E-D testing visit the G-E-D website or Montgomery College’s Assessment Centers webpage.