

Suffolk County

Continuing Education: HSE, TASC, & ESL

What is...?

→ High School Equivalency Certificate: (HSE)

- ◆ Formerly called GED
- ◆ Gives you the credentials to apply for and attain more gainful employment
- ◆ May lead to advancement in your current career
- ◆ Gives you the skills and confidence to enter college and be successful

→ TASC Exam: Test Assessing Secondary Completion

- ◆ TASC is for those who:
 - Have not graduated from an accredited high school or received a high school equivalency certificate or diploma;
 - Are not currently enrolled in a regular high school;

Who can take the test?

→ In **New York**, a person must be of “maximum compulsory school attendance age,” which is **16 years old**, in order to take the test. (in NYC -17 years old)

→ Eligibility Requirements by Age:

- ◆ If you are **16 years old**, you must meet one of the following requirements:
 - Enrolled in an Alternative High School Equivalency Program
 - Applied to the United States Armed Forces, College, or Post-Secondary Institution
 - Home schooled
- ◆ If you are **17 to 18 years old**, you must meet one of the following requirements:
 - Foreign born and never attended K-12 schools in the United States
 - One year has passed since you last enrolled in a program leading to a high school diploma
 - A member of a high school class that has graduated
 - Enrolled in an Alternative High School Equivalency Program
 - Applied to the United States Armed Forces, College, Post-Secondary Institution, or Job Corps program
 - Incarcerated or institutionalized
 - Adjudicated youth or under the direction of a prison, jail, detention center, court, parole, or probation officer
 - Home schooled
- ◆ If you are **19 years or older**, there are no additional eligibility restrictions

Preparation Courses - Local Schools/Libraries

→ **Centereach High School**

14 43rd St - Centereach - New York 11720 - 631.285.8158

- ◆ 18 years or older (*21 years old for nonresidents*)
- ◆ Registration and Materials Fee - \$45 (*\$55 for nonresidents*)

<http://www.middlecountry.k12.ny.us/info.cfm?subpage=834>

→ **Central Islip High School**

85 Wheeler Rd - Central Islip - New York 11722 - 631.271.7860

- 21 years or older
- Registration Fee - \$30

http://www.centralislip.k12.ny.us/departments/adult_and_continuing_education/classes_registration

→ **O'Connell High School**

1100 Dixon Ave - Copiague - NY 11726 - 631.842.4010 ext.421

- 18 years or older
- Registration Fee - \$3 (*\$10 for nonresident*)

http://www.copiague.k12.ny.us/community/adultcontinuing_education_program

→ **Huntington High School**

188 Oakwood Rd - Huntington - New York 11743 - 631.667.6000 ext. 327

- NO FEE

http://www.hufsd.edu/community/adult_ed.html

→ **Smithtown Central School District**

26 N.Y. Avenue - Smithtown - NY 11787 - 631.382.2181

- 18 years or older
- NO FEE

<http://saearthurhouse.homestead.com/>

Other Locations and Classes

Eastern Suffolk BOCES

Gary D. Bixhorn Technical Center
Bellport, Oakdale, Riverhead, and Central Islip

- TASC Preparation - Improve Your Test Taking Skills
 - ◆ 7 Classes - \$150
 - ◆ Call (631) 286-6585 for more information.

<http://www.esboces.org/Domain/75>

Long Island Educational Opportunity Center

Farmingdale State College - State University of New York
Brentwood, Farmingdale, Hempstead
(516) 962-3591
<http://www.lieoc.org/academic-programs>

- English for Speakers of Other Languages*
 - ◆ Approximately 14 weeks
 - ◆ Day and Evening Classes

www.farmingdale.edu/lieoc/
- High School Equivalency (TASC Preparation)*
 - ◆ Approximately 14-15 weeks per semester (*One or Two Semesters*)
 - ◆ Day and Evening Classes
- College & Career Preparation Academy*
 - ◆ Prepare students for college and health careers entrance exams
 - ◆ One or Two Semester Block Program
 - ◆ English, Math, and Science Courses

****Tuition free - Financial Eligibility Required***

Suffolk County Community College

Riverhead, Patchogue, Selden

- HSE/TASC
 - ◆ Class includes: individualized assessment, 90 hours of instruction, computer lab time, practice tests and an opportunity to apply to sit for the TASC exam.
 - ◆ Class runs from January through June
 - ◆ Must be 18 years of age or older
 - ◆ Call (631) 451-4926 for more information

<https://www.sunysuffolk.edu/ContinuingEducation/3604.asp>

Other Locations and Classes

PRONTO of Long Island

Bay Shore

- English as a Second Language Classes
 - ◆ Weekly classes
 - ◆ Registration required
 - ◆ Call (631) 231-8290 for more information

 - Introduction to English
 - ◆ Weekly classes
 - ◆ Registration Fee (\$25) + Monthly Rate (\$20)
 - ◆ Call (631) 231-8290 for more information

 - TASC Classes
 - ◆ Weekly classes
 - ◆ Registration fee - \$25
 - ◆ Call (631) 231-8290 for more information
- <http://www.prontolongisland.org/classes.html>

Wilson Tech

Dix Hills, Huntington, Amityville, Wyandanch

- High School Equivalency Classes*
 - ◆ Weekly classes
 - ◆ **GRASP** - stay-at-home program helps adults prepare for the High School Equivalency (*must be at least age 21*)
 - ◆ Register by calling (631) 667-6000 x327
- <http://www.wilsontech.org/adults/high-school-diploma/>
- English as a Second Language*
 - ◆ Dix Hills, Farmingdale, Huntington, Copiague, Amityville, Greenlawn, Huntington Station
 - ◆ Register by calling (631) 667-6000 x327
- <http://www.wilsontech.org/adults/learn-english/>

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