



POLICY FOR STUDENTS UNDER 18

Pursuant to section 1003.435, Florida Statutes, the minimum age to take GED tests to meet the requirements for a high school equivalency diploma is 18 years. A candidate may take the examination after reaching the age 16 if the requirements set by the School District of Lee County are met.

Students, ages 16 to 17, who want to take the GED test must meet the following criteria:

1. Do not have a high school diploma
2. Have legally withdrawn from secondary school
3. Take the TABE test for class placement – must be administered by SDLC Adult & Career Education
4. Enroll in SDLC Adult Education program
5. Complete a minimum of 12 instructional hours
6. Pass all four (4) GED Ready tests with a “LIKELY TO PASS” score of 145 or higher and provide copies of all 4 score reports displaying student's name, test subject, and test score
 - a. Students must remain actively enrolled and attend classes until GED Ready testing requirement has been met
 - b. Students must comply with all procedures and expectations of the program while enrolled
7. Complete GED counseling session and checklist with approved staff member
8. Completion of Underage Waiver Form by the parent/guardian and coordinator