



# Q & A



## Adult Basic Education Information Sheet

### QUESTION

**What is Adult Basic Education?**

### ANSWER

Adult Basic Education (ABE) is class instruction for persons *17 and over who would like to obtain a General Education Diploma (GED) or enhance their reading, math, and language skills*

### QUESTION

**Is there a charge for the classes?**

### ANSWER

Classes are free of charge and funded by the **Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development** and Memphis City Schools.

### QUESTION

**Do I need to take a test to enter classes?**

### ANSWER

**Yes.** The Test of Adult Basic Education (**TABE**) is given to prospective students.

### QUESTION

**Can I fail the entrance test?**

### ANSWER

**No.** This test is given to place you into the appropriate level class.

### QUESTION

**Where do I sign up for the test?**

## ANSWER

The test is administered at **Messick Adult Center, 703 S. Greer**. Call the Center for test dates and times, ask your teacher, or download a schedule at from our website at <http://www.mcsk12.net/schools/messickvotech.vt/downloads.html>.

## QUESTION

**Do classes start immediately after I take the test?**

## ANSWER

Based on your test results you are placed in a class (of your choice) on a space available basis.

## QUESTION

**What will I be learning in class?**

## ANSWER

You will learn **English grammar, Math, Reading and Writing Skills**. GED classes also include **Science, Social Studies** and **Literature**.

## QUESTION

**How long will I be in class before I get my GED?**

## ANSWER

That depends on your level when you begin and the effort you make to improve your level. Classes are self-paced, so the length of time varies with each individual.

## QUESTION

**Will I need a textbook?**

## ANSWER

No. All materials will be provided for you.

## QUESTION

**What is the Official GED Practice Test?**

## ANSWER

The **Official GED Practice Test** is *designed to evaluate your readiness to take the full-length GED Tests*. The Official Practice Test is administered at **Messick Adult Center**. Pre-registration is required. You must take this test before you can register for the GED Test. Your teacher will help you decide when you are ready to take the OPT (Official Practice Test). There is no fee for this test.

## QUESTION

**Where will I take the GED Test?**

## ANSWER

The **GED Testing Center** is located at **2930 Airways, Suite 105**. You may call **901-416-2433** for scheduling information. The test fee is **\$55.00**.