

ASPIRE FAQs

Aspire Classes

Why would I take an Aspire class?

- If you are 20 years or older and want to earn your High School Diploma as well as a workforce credential, Aspire classes are for you.
- You are 22 years and lacking the required amount of high school credits.
- You would take Aspire classes to study for the GED® test or HiSet test.
- All of these are reasons you would take Aspire classes!

Where and when will I take my Aspire classes?

- There are Aspire class in-person and online, both morning (10:00am – 1:00pm) and evening (5:30pm – 8:30 pm) every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

How much does it cost to attend Aspire classes?

- All Aspire classes are FREE!

How long will it take me to complete these Aspire classes?

- Our classes are available to you for as long as you need. Some people need a little time, some need a little more time. Whatever the amount needed to make you successful. Remember: Regular attendance is extremely important and will help get you to your goal quickly.

Orientation

Why do I need an orientation?

- Orientation is the first step where will learn about the Aspire Program and Graduation Options and Pathways. You will complete some basic forms as well as take an assessment that lets you and your teachers know what your skill level is right now.

How do I schedule an in-person orientation?

- Call the Aspire office, 740-373-6283 ext. 1000 to find a date and time that will work.

What do I bring to my orientation?

- The only thing we would like you to bring is a Drivers Licenses/Photo ID, high school transcripts, if available, and a positive attitude.

Online Learning

I am interested in taking Aspire classes online from my home. How do I start?

- Call the Aspire office to set up an Orientation and Assessment. You can start online classes as soon as those are complete!

I started taking online classes and think I may do better at reaching my goal if I attend in-person classes instead. Am I able to switch to in-person classes?

- You absolutely can switch from online classes to in-person classes! Just call the office to find out your next steps.

Adult Diploma Program

What is the Adult Diploma Program?

- Adult Diploma Program is for any adult 20 years of age or older who does not have a high school diploma.
- The Adult Diploma Program provides job training and a new pathway to earn a high school diploma AND industry credential aligned to one of Ohio's in-demand careers.

What do I need to do to get my diploma and industry credential?

- After orientation you will study in a Aspire class to prepare for the WorkKeys test. Once you complete the WorkKeys test and obtain the scores needed you can enter your desired pathway.

What are the Career pathways?

- Washington County Career Center offers the following career pathways:
 - ✓ Business Office Skills Specialist (B.O.S.S.) (176 Hours)
 - ✓ CDL Class A (160 Hours)
 - ✓ Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration (HVAC/R) (720 Hours)
 - ✓ Medical Billing & Coding Specialist (720 Hours)
 - ✓ Medical Assistant (900 Hour)
 - ✓ Phlebotomy (172 Hours)
 - ✓ State Tested Nursing Assistant (STNA) (80 Hours)
 - ✓ Welding (720 Hours).

22+ Credit Recovery

What is the Adult Diploma Program?

- The 22+ Credit Recovery program helps adults earn a high school diploma issued by their school district of residence.

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How much does 22+ cost?

- The program is free to adults who are over 22 years old, living in Ohio and do not have a diploma or a GED.

What are the requirements for the program?

- Students must meet all graduation requirements from the time of their entry into 9th grade. Students have a limit of 2 consecutive years to earn credits.

GED® Test

What subjects are on the GED® test?

- There are 4 subjects: Math, Science, Social Studies, and Reasoning Through Language Arts.

Do I have to take all of the subjects at once, or can I take one subject at a time?

- You may take the entire test in one day, or you can take one or two subjects at a time.

How do I schedule and pay for my GED® test? Do I just show up with my money and take the test?

- Visit www.GED.com and create an account. When you are ready to schedule a test, you will schedule it from your www.GED.com account. You will also pay for your test online through your www.GED.com account.
- Aspire students can be given a voucher to reduce the test cost to \$40 instead of the \$120.

How old do I have to be to take the GED® test?

- You must be at least 16 years old to take the test. Testers who are 16-18 years old MUST be officially withdrawn from high school and provide the proper paperwork to the state HSE Office (prior to scheduling for a test).

What is the paperwork necessary for 16-18-year-olds to take the test?

- If you are 16 or 17, you must provide a copy of the official withdrawal form from the last school you attended, and it must be signed by a school official. The school you last attended will provide this form. You must also provide a consent form completed by a parent or legal guardian, and it needs to be notarized.
- If you are 18 years old, you will just need to provide the official withdrawal form from the last school you attended, and it must be signed by a school official. The school you last attended will provide this form.

I have a diagnosed disability and would like to apply for accommodations for testing.

- Test accommodations are considered on a case-by-case basis and include things such as extra testing time or extra breaks. You can find the information you need to apply at www.GED.com.

I took my GED® test and passed. Now I need a copy of my transcript. Where can I get that?

- You may order your GED® transcript at www.DiplomaSender.com

Do I have to take classes, or can I just take the GED® test?

- It is not mandatory that you attend Aspire classes; however, attending classes could only benefit you! To schedule the GED® test visit www.GED.com to register for the test.