

Oregon GED® Testing Program & National Updates

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2018 **Oregon** Highlights GED[®] Testing Program Highlights



Oregon GED Testing Program: 2018 Highlights

- Just over 5,700 people improved their lives by passing the GED test & earning their high school credential (3% increase over 2017)
- Just over 900 of the 5,700 passed the GED test while in an Oregon correctional facility (16% increase over 2017)
- Oregon had a GED test pass rate of 88% in 2018. Only 3 states in the U.S. had a higher pass rate in 2018.

Oregon Pass Rates By Subject: 2018

Pass Rates by Subject Area

- **Math: 88%** vs 81% nationally
- **RLA: 91%** vs 85% nationally
- **Science: 96%** vs 92% nationally
- **Social Studies: 93%** vs 89% nationally
- **Overall pass rate: 88%** vs 80% nationally

- Only 3 states had a higher pass rate than Oregon in 2018

National Ranking 2018: GED Test Pass Rate by State

1. Vermont – 92%
2. South Dakota – 90%
3. North Dakota – 89%
4. **Oregon** – 88%
 - Idaho – 88%
 - Arkansas – 88%

Note: the state of Washington is close behind with a pass rate of 87% in 2018.

Let's Look at Oregon Correctional Testing Data



Oregon Correctional GED Test-takers: 2018

Pass Rates by Subject Area

- **Math: 91%** vs 83% nationally
- **RLA: 86%** vs 82% nationally
- **Science: 96%** vs 90% nationally
- **Social Studies: 93%** vs 86% nationally
- **Overall pass rate: 90%** vs 81% nationally

- Oregon corrections had one of the highest pass rates among state correctional GED testing

Student Outcomes



American Council on Education (ACE) Recommendations for the GED® Test



<p>GED® College Ready</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Score of 165 - 174 on any content test• Waived from developmental education in that content requirements/courses• Waived from placement testing, and• Placed directly in credit-bearing courses
<p>GED® College Ready+Credit</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Score of 175 – 200 on any content test• Same as CR recommendations, plus• Up to 10 semester hours of college credit



Many colleges have already adopted the ACE[®] Credit Recommendations

- Colleges in Oregon who have implemented the College Ready Recommendation (165 or higher)
 - Chemeketa C.C.
 - Clackamas C.C.
 - Linn-Benton C.C.
 - Mount Hood C.C.
 - Oregon Coast C.C.
 - Portland C.C. (RLA only)
 - Rogue C.C.
 - Umpqua C.C.

Oregon CCR Attainment : 2014-2019 YTD

	Math	RLA	Science	Social Studies
College Ready - 165 or higher	11% (8%)	20% (14%)	20% (13%)	24% (17%)

Our Graduates Are Interested in College

2 out of 3
express interest

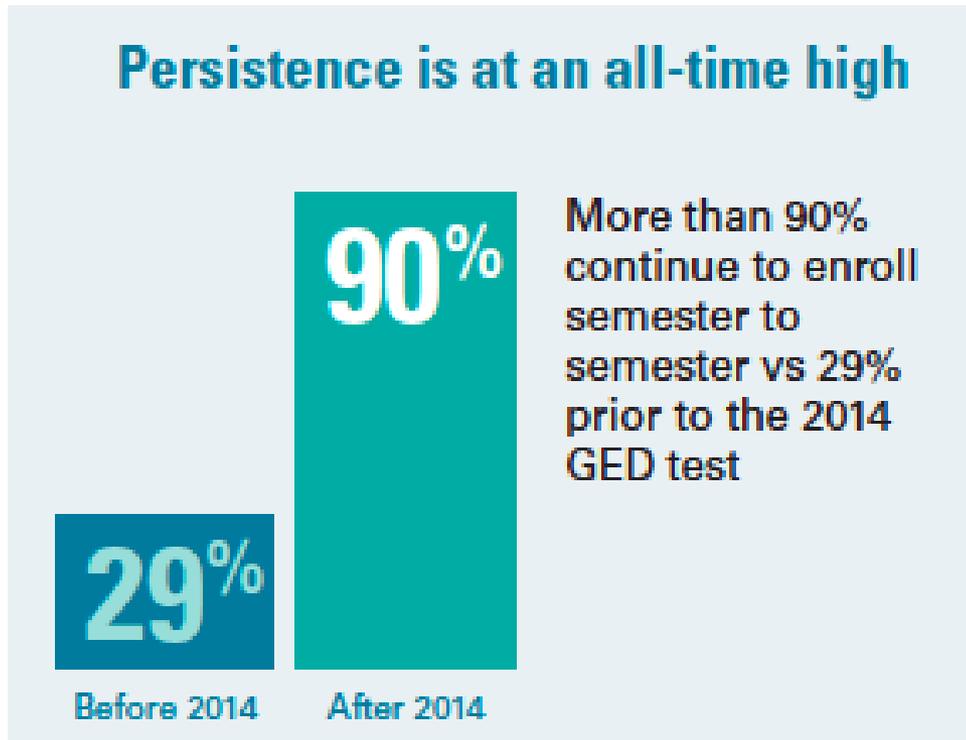


Enroll in college **within a year** of earning their GED credential



Enroll in college **within 4 years** of earning their GED credential

Persistence!



- Congrats, all your hard work is paying off!
- This number currently surpasses overall community college persistence rates

Updated National Student Clearinghouse Results

- Mean scaled-score of GED graduates going on to college is well above the minimum passing score for high school equivalency:
 - Math: 158
 - RLA: 162
 - Science: 161
 - Social Studies: 161
- Age of GED graduates going on to college has remained stable over time
 - 81% to 86% of matched grads were between the ages of 16 and 24 when they received their credential

Coming Soon



Oregon specific research on GED test passer outcomes

- GED Testing Service and the Oregon Chief Education Office have been working collaboratively to analyze what recent GED test passers are doing after earning their credential.
- We expect to have data showing, but not limited to, how many GED test passers are enrolling in postsecondary education, courses of study, GPA, placement test scores, degrees earned and some wage related data.
- We hope to be able to share information sometime in 2020.