

# **ADULT LITERACY EDUCATION RESOURCES:**

## **Definitions:**

**ABE**= Adult Basic Education, 3 meanings:

1. A general term referring to improving literacy up to pre-HSE.
2. To improve literacy and numeracy skills.
3. To prepare individuals for postsecondary education and for the fastest growing jobs in the 21st century.

**HSE**= High School Equivalency. HSE Preparation designed to improve student proficiency/performance-literacy and numeracy to pass TASC in order to receive a NYS High School Equivalency diploma.

**TABE** = Tests of Adult Basic Education. It is a comprehensive and reliable academic assessment in adult basic education (reading and math).

**ORT** = Official Readiness Test for the TASC

**HSE Program Providers** = Outcome based programs designed to prepare individuals to take and successfully pass TASC. Individuals will be TABE tested as part of intake/assessment process. Requirements for an HSE student before TASC include taking the Official Readiness Test prior to being referred to a TASC test site.

**TASC**= Test Assessing Secondary Completion (Reading/Language Arts/Writing/Mathematics/Science/Social Studies). TASC replaced the GED test in New York as of January 2, 2014. To be eligible to take: not currently enrolled in high school, not graduated from high school, and at least 16 years old. TASC available in English, in Spanish, in Braille, and audio versions for visually impaired.

**HSE/TASC Test Centers and HSE/TASC Test Dates**= <http://www.acces.nysed.gov/aepp/> Go to third bullet on the bottom→click HSE/TASC examination in New York State→ then on left hand side tabs→click Taking the HSE/TASC Tests→click HSE/TASC Test Centers, TASC Test Schedules and HSE-Test Preparation Programs→click on your county to see locations and test dates.

**ESOL**= English for Speakers of Other Languages. These are programs for people with limited English proficiency designed to improve their English skills (speaking, conversational, reading, and writing).

**VOLUNTEERS** assisting with literacy = 1:1 tutor to learner opportunities such as Literacy Volunteers and Mercy Bridges.

## **KEY WEBSITES:**

1. Finger Lakes Regional Adult Education Network <http://flraen.org> click→Our Literacy Providers on right hand side tabs and then check resources.
2. Adult Education Programs and Policy <http://www.acces.nysed.gov/aepp/> See third bullet from bottom and click on blue HSE/TASC which will take you to <http://www.acces.nysed.gov/ged/home.html> , 2 options available: click for more information and click to review TASC brochure with other useful websites. <http://www.acces.nysed.gov/ged/documents/tascbrochurepw.pdf>
3. For more information about TASC™, see the CTB website: <http://www.tasctest.com/>

# Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC)

## Formerly known as GED

<p><b>CENTER FOR YOUTH-Learn to Earn program</b> (ABE/HSE, 17-21 years old)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585)473-2464</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.centerforyouth.net">www.centerforyouth.net</a></li> <li>• 905 Monroe Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620</li> <li>• Tutoring: MTR 1:00-2:00PM</li> <li>• MTR 2:30-4:30pm (currently FULL)</li> <li>• Two sessions: Feb-June, July-end of August</li> </ul>
<p><b>GATES CHILI CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT-GATES CHILI CE OFFICE</b> (ABE/HSE/ESOL,21 years old+)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 247-5345</li> <li>• Call for class hours, questions, and details.</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.gateschili.org">www.gateschili.org</a></li> <li>• 1<sup>ST</sup>- Pre-register /attend-<u>HSE/TASC Intake</u>-usually held 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 4pm.</li> <li>• 2<sup>nd</sup>- Register and attend <u>HSE/TASC</u> on Tuesdays and Thursday afternoons from 4pm-7pm at Washington Irving Community Center at 2400 Chili Ave Rochester, NY 14624.</li> <li>• To register: <a href="https://registration.xenegrade.com/gcsdconed">https://registration.xenegrade.com/gcsdconed</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>HONEOYE FALLS-LIMA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT</b> (HSE, AHSEP, 16-19 years old and adults)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 967-7191 (Mon-Thurs. 9am-12pm) and <a href="mailto:Hillary_Clark@hflcsd.org">Hillary_Clark@hflcsd.org</a></li> <li>• Program Coordinator: Hillary Clark Quinlan</li> <li>• Rolling Admission, Mon.-Thurs. (Daytime Only)</li> <li>• AHSEP= Alternative High School Equivalency Preparation Program</li> <li>• Small program in Honeoye Falls, NY</li> </ul>
<p><b>LEARNING DISABILITIES ASSOCIATION OF GENESEE</b> (ABE/HSE, There are 2 programs: 21 years old and under and 21 years old +)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 263-3323</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.ldagvi.org">www.ldagvi.org</a></li> <li>• Combination of 1:1 and group instruction (limited to 20 individuals), need to apply and be accepted, attend minimum of 4 hours/week, available for instruction between 9am-6pm.</li> </ul>
<p><b>MONROE #1 BOCES</b> (HSE/ESOL, 21 and older, day and evening classes)</p> <p><b>*HSE/TASC TEST LOCATION at 41 O'Connor Road, Fairport, NY*</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 383-2250 general</li> <li>• (585)-387-3802- to register for HSE/TASC Test -call at least a month in advance, offered 1x per month- Friday evening (4:30pm-9pm) and Saturday morning (7:30am-11am)</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.monroe.edu">www.monroe.edu</a></li> <li>• TABE: 6.0+</li> <li>• \$50 non-refundable registration fee each academic year (July 1-June 30<sup>th</sup> following year).</li> <li>• 3 HSE locations: 41 O'Connor Rd, Fairport, NY 14450, 999 East Ridge Rd, Irondequoit, NY 14521, and FIGHT Village, 186 Ward St, Rochester, NY 14605.</li> </ul>

<p><b>MONROE #2 CENTER FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (HSE/ ESOL)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 349-9100 M-R 8am-6pm, Fri 8am-4pm</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.monroe2cwd.edu">www.monroe2cwd.edu</a></li> <li>• Rochester Tech Park, 160 Wallace Way, Bldg.#9, Rochester, NY 14624</li> <li>• Traditional Classroom or Home Study Program</li> </ul>
<p><b>ROCHESTER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT-OFFICE OF ADULT EDUCATION (HSE/ESOL, 17 years old +)</b></p> <p><b>*HSE/TASC TEST LOCATION*</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 262-8000</li> <li>• 30 Hart Street, Rochester, NY 14605</li> <li>• <a href="http://oaces.net/">http://oaces.net/</a></li> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup>- Intake- one week of sessions from 8:30am-2:30pm</li> <li>• ESOL intake daily, usually immediate program placement.</li> <li>• Approximately 3 month class from 8am-2:30pm</li> <li>• HSE costs \$20, bring picture ID, and runs for a week from 9am-3:30pm, No fee for HSE/TASC.</li> </ul>
<p><b>RUSH-HENRIETTA SCHOOL DISTRICT-ADULT LITERACY PROGRAM (ESOL)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585)359-7914</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.rhnet.org">www.rhnet.org</a></li> <li>• Vollmer Building, 150 Telephone Road, West Henrietta, NY 14586</li> </ul>
<p><b>ACTION FOR A BETTER COMMUNITY (ABC) Family Self-Sufficiency Program (ABE/HSE, 18 years old +)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 325-5116 x3400</li> <li>• 49 Stone Street, Rochester, NY 14604</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.abcinfo.org">www.abcinfo.org</a></li> <li>• 10-12:30pm class, can schedule 1:1 tutor sessions</li> <li>• Must meet income eligibility (Proof of income required) subject to 125% of Poverty Income Guidelines.</li> <li>• Must read at a 8<sup>th</sup> grade level</li> </ul>
<p><b>GREECE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT: GREECE COMMUNITY EDUCATION-ADULT LITERACY PROGRAM (HSE/ESOL- 18+ years old)</b></p> <p><b>*HSE/TASC TEST LOCATION*</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 865-1010 for available day/evening classes (currently: day full until April 2014, evening full until June 2014)</li> <li>• 271 Greece Ridge Center Drive at Greece Ridge Mall, Rochester, NY 14626</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.greece.k12.ny.us/community">www.greece.k12.ny.us/community</a></li> <li>• HSE: over 21 years old- M-F 8am-12pm <u>or</u> M and W evenings 6-9pm, \$25 registration fee, has to sign up for Math/Reading Assessment to determine level for class.</li> <li>• HSE: under 21 year MWR 2:30-4:30pm <u>or</u> M and W 5-9pm, grant funded so no registration charge, have to sign up for orientation and Math/Reading assessment test to determine level for class.</li> <li>• ESOL- \$25 registration fee, but if under 21 do not pay registration fee (grant funded), have to sign up for a ½ hour reading assessment to determine class level, M-F 12pm-4pm <u>or</u> T and R 6-9pm</li> </ul>

JOB CORPS (ABE/HSE-16-24 years old)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 454-5130 or (800) 760-4577</li> <li>• 30 Hart Street, Ste 301, Rochester, NY 14605</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.jobcorps.gov">www.jobcorps.gov</a></li> </ul>
SUNY ROCHESTER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER (REOC) (HSE/ESOL)  *HSE/TASC TEST LOCATION*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 232-2730</li> <li>• 161 Chestnut St, Rochester, NY 14604</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.rochestereoc.com">www.rochestereoc.com</a></li> <li>• TABE: Read/Math- 6.0+</li> </ul>
THE PAUL WOLK LEARNING CENTER (HSE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 238-4873</li> <li>• 259 Monroe Ave, Suite 200, Rochester, NY 14607</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.easthouse.org">www.easthouse.org</a> (must be an East House client)</li> <li>• 6 hours classroom training/week, M 1-4pm, T 9am-12pm, T 1-4pm, R 9am-12pm and 1-4pm, if in 6 hours class/week and in 2 classes qualify for 1:1 tutoring</li> </ul>
THRESHOLD- THE COMMUNITY PLACE (HSE- 17-25 years old)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 454-7530</li> <li>• 145 Parsells Ave, Rochester, NY 14609</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.communityplace.org/programs/the-learning-center/">http://www.communityplace.org/programs/the-learning-center/</a></li> <li>• Need to complete an application- website/ in person.</li> <li>• Need to have NYS Identification card (NYS Driver's License, NYS non-driver's ID, or NYS License permit) <u>or</u> NYS Benefit ID card</li> <li>• Attend 2 day orientation including TABE testing.</li> <li>• Mini-Orientations between the months of September, November, February and May.</li> <li>• Classes begin in September, November, February, and May in 2 sessions: 9am-12pm <u>or</u> 1pm-4pm.</li> </ul>
URBAN LEAGUE OF ROCHESTER (18-24 years) (HSE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 325-6530</li> <li>• 265 North Clinton Ave, Rochester, NY 14605</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.ulr.org">www.ulr.org</a></li> <li>• YouthBuild program</li> </ul>
LITERACY VOLUNTEERS OF ROCHESTER (ABE/ESOL 1:1 Tutoring-if below 9 <sup>th</sup> grade reading level)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 473-3030</li> <li>• 1600 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.literacyrochester.org">www.literacyrochester.org</a></li> </ul>
MERCY BRIDGES (Volunteers: ABE/ESOL 1:1 Tutoring)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (585) 288-2710 x121 Natalie Depew, call b/w 8:30am-2:30pm Monday-Friday</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.mercybridges.org">www.mercybridges.org</a></li> <li>• Free 1:1 sessions with a tutor for learner, however, \$5 assessment/intake fee</li> <li>• 1 year commitment required for both learner and tutor</li> </ul>

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