

HiSET

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I register for and schedule the HiSET?

To register and schedule the HiSET **you must *first* create an online HiSET account.** To create the account go to:

[www.http://hiset.ets.org/test_takers/](http://hiset.ets.org/test_takers/)

Please call ETS at 1-855-MyHiSET (1-855-694-4738) if you have problems creating your online HiSET account.

After you create your online HiSET account you will need to visit our office during regular office hours to schedule and pay for your exam.

IMPORTANT: You will need a government issued photo ID and full payment (cash/money order only) to schedule. Birth Certificate and High School ID are not acceptable.

How much does the HiSET cost?

The full battery of tests costs \$125. When you pay for the full battery, you are allowed to retake each subtest test a total of two times. From the time you pay for your test, you have one year to pass each subtest. Subtests may be scheduled over multiple testing sessions.

If you would prefer to take and pay for one subtest at a time, **the first subtest you schedule will cost \$25. Each subsequent subtest you schedule will cost \$25.**

FULL PAYMENT IS REQUIRED WHEN YOU SCHEDULE. CASH OR MONEY ORDER IS THE ONLY FORM OF PAYMENT ACCEPTED.

****Limited scholarship money is available. Call for details.**

Do I need to pass a practice test to register and schedule?

If you are over the age of 18, Keene Community Education does not require you to pass a practice test to register and schedule the HiSET. If you are under the age of 18, you are required to pass an official practice test per NH Department of Education guidelines.

How do I prepare?

FREE preparation classes are available in Keene at 227 Maple Ave. Please call Keene Community Education to pre-register for classes or tutoring.

FREE preparation materials and low-cost practice materials are available online including a tutorial video and practice tests at **<http://hiset.ets.org/prepare/overview>**.

FREE study materials may be available at your local library.

Are computer- or paper-based testing options available?

Paper-based testing is the only option in Keene. Both computer-based, paper-based or a combination of both are available at other testing centers in NH. See the NH Adult Education website for links to testing centers in NH.

Are test accommodations available?

Yes. Test accommodations are available for test takers with disabilities or health-related needs. Accommodations can be obtained directly from ETS by following the steps outlined on this webpage:

<http://hiset.ets.org/take/disabilities/>

How much time do I have for each test?

The HiSET is completed in two 4-hour testing sessions. The complete HiSET battery consists of five subtests:

Math — 55 multiple choice questions, 90 minutes

Language Arts-Writing — Part I (60 multiple choice) and Part II (essay), 120 minutes

Science — 60 multiple choice questions, 80 minutes

Social Studies — 60 multiple choice questions, 70 minutes

Language Arts-Reading — 50 multiple choice questions, 65 minutes

Is a Spanish HiSET offered?

Yes. When you schedule your test you must notify the testing center you wish to take the HiSET in Spanish

I am under the age of 18, can I take the HiSET?

If you are 16-years-old or older you may take the HiSET. Students who are under the age of 18 must follow specific procedures in order to register for and schedule the HiSET. Test takers under the age of 18 should talk to their high school guidance counselor.

How is the test scored?

In order to pass the HiSET and obtain a New Hampshire HiSET certificate, all 3 of the following criteria must be met:

NOTE: A perfect score for each test is 20; a perfect combined score is 100.

1. Minimum of 8 to pass any one test. Any test under 8 must be retaken.

2. Average score of 9 or better.

3. Total combined score of 45 or higher

When is the next test?

For an up-to-date testing schedule please visit www.keenecommunityed.org

Where do I test?

All testing is done at Keene Community Education, 227 Maple Ave. (Jonathan Daniels Building)

When will I get my results?

When you complete a computer-delivered test, immediate, unofficial scores are displayed for all multiple-choice sections.

On average, official test scores for both computer- and paper-delivered tests are posted within:

- 3–5 business days for multiple-choice sections
- 6–10 business days for the essay section

Note: The Language Arts – Writing subtest contains both multiple-choice and essay questions. Only a combined score is reported, so scores are available within approximately 6–10 business days.

Do you still have unanswered questions? Then call, stop by or visit our website.

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