# An individual is eligible to take the GED Test given they meet the guidelines listed below:

- They are 17 years of age or older;
- They are not a high school graduate or a GED® credential recipient
- They have maintained residence in the State of Illinois for thirty days

**Note**: If an individual is of school age and has been enrolled in a public, private, or a home school setting in the last 12 months, they must present a withdrawal letter from the last school enrolled before taking GED Tests.

# **GED® Test Registration Information**

Registering to take the GED Tests in Cook County is done via mail.

To receive an application form: Contact the Cook County GED® office at (847) 328-9795 (or)

www.cookcountyged.org



#### For more information:

Morton College Adult Education, Community Programming and Outreach 3801 S. Central Avenue Cicero, IL 60804 (708) 656-8000, Ext. 407 www.morton.edu



To request disability accommodations for AEFL students enrolled in ABE/GED® /ESL courses, please contact Sylvia Garza at 708-656-8000 Ext. 364

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Morton College is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association (www.ncacihe.org).

Morton College is officially recognized by the Illinois Community College Board (www.iccb.state.il.us). For the purposes of compliance with Section 511 of Public Law 101-166 (the Stevens Amendment), approximately 28% of the FY09 funding for Adult Education came from federal sources. The total amount of federal funding received in FY09 was \$245,488.



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### What does ABE mean?

ABE means Adult Basic Education. ABE classes are part of the GED® program and consist of classes for students whose reading level is below 9th grade as measured on their placement exam. ABE classes consist of reading or math courses. If a student scores below 9th grade on this exam, he will be placed into ABE classes until his reading level reaches 9th grade.

### What does GED® mean?

GED® stands for General Educational Development. This is the equivalent of 12 years of education in the United States. Morton College offers GED® preparation courses in Reading, Math and General Test Review. Upon successful completion of the State of Illinois GED® Tests you may participate in the annual Morton College GED® Recognition Ceremony.

# Is there an age requirement to enroll in Adult Education classes?

Adults 17 years of age and older may be eligible to enroll in GED® courses if they are not required to be in compulsory schooling. They must also present an official letter of separation from their resident high school if they are under the age of 18.

### How do I enroll in any of these programs?

# There are different steps in the registration process:

### Steps

- 1. During test sign up week, come in to register to take a placement exam. Biographical data will also be collected at this time. Receive appointment date for placement testing. Call ext. 373 or 407 or visit our website <a href="www.morton.edu/aecpo">www.morton.edu/aecpo</a> for information on dates and times for the placement test
- 2. Take placement exam (for all Adult Education programs)
- 3. Attend required student orientation to receive results of placement exam and enroll in class.

All three steps need to be completed in order to be registered in the Adult Education classes.

### Why do I have to take a placement exam?

Every student needs to take a placement exam to determine your Reading or Math level. We will then be able to accurately place you into a class appropriate to your level. ABE and GED® students need to take a reading and/or math exam. The Secretary of the State of Illinois and the Illinois Community College Board, who are the funding sources for our programs, also require all students to be tested at program entry and at specified times during the year.

### What is the cost of the programs?

Morton College receives state and federal funding that allows us to offer most Adult Education classes at no cost or with a nominal fee. ESL and ABE classes are free. GED® students pay \$9.00 per course.

# Is financial assistance available to Morton College Adult Education students?

Eligible Adult Education students may receive Public Aid assistance to help pay for tuition, books, fees, transportation, and child care services. Please contact for more information.

Silvia Garza (708) 656-8000, ext. 364

### When and where are classes held?

All ABE/GED® classes are held at Morton College 3801 S. Central Ave Cicero, IL 60804

### Days and Hours for ABE/GED® classes

Monday-Wednesday Or Tuesday-Thursday

8:00am – 11:00am 6:00pm – 9:00pm

