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## STATE OF FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA - ADULT GENERAL EDUCATION

THE CONFORMITY WITH FLORIDA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ADMINISTRATIVE RULE 6A-6.21, THE BOARD DESIGNATES TO ADULT AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION DEPARTMENT STAFF THE RESPONSIBILITY OF CONDUCTING A GENERAL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (GED) TESTING PROGRAM. THE PURPOSE OF THE TESTING PROGRAM SHALL BE TO PROVIDE A STATE OF FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA FOR THOSE PERSONS WHO MEET THE NECESSARY REQUIREMENTS. THE RULES OF THIS POLICY SHALL DELINEATE THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THE REQUIREMENT THAT AN EXAMINEE BE 18 YEARS OF AGE CAN BE WAIVED.

AUTHORITY: F.S. 230.22 (1) (2) POLICY ADOPTED: <u>2/12/70</u> POLICY READOPTED: <u>9/5/74</u> POLICY AMENDED: <u>1/18/79/ 8/18/83; 6/5/86</u>

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## <u>RULES</u>

- 1. Any testing candidate, 16 or 17 years of age, who fails any or all of the battery of GED examinations, may continue to enroll in GED preparation classes, remedy deficiencies, or retake the appropriate examination until such time that a State of Florida high school diploma is issued.
- 2. Any testing candidate 16 or 17 years of age, who is currently incarcerated, may take the GED examination, providing that official documentation of said circumstances can be certified by the Chief Examiner prior to testing.
- 3. Any testing candidate 16 or 17 years of age, who is a client of the Health and Rehabilitative Services Department, and is assigned to a commitment program, will be permitted to take the GED examination, providing that official documentation of said circumstances can be certified by the Chief Examiner prior to testing.
- 4. Any testing candidate 17 years of age, for whom a State of Florida High School Diploma would provide armed forces enlistment eligibility, may be permitted to take the GED examination, provided that said circumstances can be verified by the Chief Examiner prior to testing.
- 5. In addition to the extraordinary circumstances listed above, any testing candidate, 16 or 17 years of age, who can demonstrate a unique situation precluding attendance in a traditional high school completion program, may be permitted to take the GED examination, providing that documentation is submitted to, and approved by the Superintendent's (or (designee) prior to testing.
- 6. Testing candidates Students who feel they have been treated unfairly in the application of this policy or its rules, may appeal by using the grievance procedure as listed in the Adult Student Conduct Code.

AUTHORITY: F.S. 230.22 (1) (2) RULES ADOPTED: <u>8/18/83;</u> RULES AMENDED: <u>12/15/83; 8/16/84; 9/5/85; 6/5/86</u>

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