

FAQ

What is a high school equivalency (HSE) diploma and what can I do with it?

An HSE diploma is an alternative pathway to graduation (known as the GED®). It will give you greater opportunities for life after graduation including college and career training programs. If you already have a job, an HSE diploma will expand your career options and your earnings!

What are Referral Centers?

Referral Centers are your one stop for all of your education related questions. We can help you enroll in free HSE programs, and/or explore high school alternatives. We can also provide referrals or various support services such as counseling, career training, and substance abuse treatment.

What is Pathways to Graduation (P2G)?

P2G is a free District 79 program that prepares students ages 17-21 to take the GED exam, earn their HSE diploma, and advance to college and career opportunities.

Traditional high school didn't work for me. How is P2G different?

At P2G, we provide students with more than classroom instruction. P2G teachers have classes in very diverse settings such as hospitals, non-profits, community centers and high school buildings. Our counselors will help you build the skills you need to succeed in college and the workplace. College and Career Coaches will help you plan for the future. Our Workforce Development program offers professional training and paid internship opportunities.

I'm over 21. How can I earn my HSE diploma?

If you're over 21, Adult Education can help you earn your HSE diploma. Find more information at www.schools.nyc.gov or call (646) 481-8227

6 CONVENIENT LOCATIONS

[Register Here](#)

Bronx **718.518.3320**

1010 Rev James A Polite Ave, Room 436
Train: 2 or 5 to Prospect Ave
Bus: Bx4, Bx6, Bx17

Downtown Brooklyn **718.935.9457**

69 Schermerhorn Street Train: 2,3,4,5 to Borough Hall; A, C, F, R to Jay Street/Metro Tech; D, B, N, Q to Dekalb Ave
Bus: B52, B26, B41, B103, B45, B57

Bed-Stuy Referral Center **718.636.5770**

832 Marcy Ave, 2nd Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11216
Train: A, C to Nostrand Avenue
Bus: B26, B52

Manhattan **212.244.1274**

269 West 35th Street, at 8th Ave, 11th Floor
Train: 1, 2, 3, A, B, C, D, E, F, N, Q, R to 34th St Bus: M10, M11, M16, M20, M34

Queens **718.739.2100**

162-02 Hillside Ave
Jamaica Queens 11432
Train: F
Bus: Q1, Q2, Q3, Q36, Q43, Q65

Staten Island **718.273.3225**

450 St. Marks Place
Bus: S42, S46, S48, S51, S61, S62, S66, S67, S74, S76, S78

For More Info
Referral Center Hotline: 929-352-2206
Website: p2g.nyc.gov/contact/

**Referral
Centers** 
For High School Alternatives

NEED A
DIPLOMA?

EARN IT
WITH US

DEDICATED TO HELPING YOU SUCCEED

IT'S NOT HOW
YOU START....
**IT'S HOW
YOU FINISH!**



Find a location and register

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Find the Referral Center nearest you to register. After meeting with an experienced Guidance Counselor or Social Worker and taking a placement test, we'll help you register at one of the 85 sites across the 5 boroughs.



Attend and do the work

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Classes meet during the day and follow the NYC Department of Education school calendar. Completion can take at least 6 weeks, but it could take longer depending on your academic level and how often you attend class. The more you go to class, the faster you will earn your HSE diploma!



Take the Test

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The GED is challenging, but P2G teachers and staff will prepare you to pass it. The exam has 4 sections and is 7 hours long. While you prepare to pass the GED and earn your HSE diploma, the College and Career Resource Center will help you plan your next steps.



Success

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With hard work, you'll pass the GED and graduate. Earning your HSE diploma is an important step towards new and exciting educational and career opportunities!

