Bureau of Postsecondary and Adult Education
Division of Adult Education Policy

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POLICY STATEMENT
Pennsylvania residents must pass a high school equivalency test in the same language to receive a Commonwealth Secondary School Diploma.

GUIDANCE
There are two high school equivalency tests approved for use in Pennsylvania: the GED® test and the HiSET® exam. Both tests are available in English and Spanish. Test takers may choose to test in English or Spanish and may test in both languages; however, a Commonwealth Secondary School Diploma will only be issued when an individual passes the entire battery of a high school equivalency test in the same language (English or Spanish).

The official transcript includes scores earned from tests taken in the same language.