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Illinois High School Equivalency

Constitution Test Requirement July 1, 2022

Due to the COVID-19 virus and the limited access to testing, the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) approved the suspension of the administration of the U.S. and Illinois State Constitution and the Flag Test (“Constitution Test”) through June 30, 2022. The ICCB awarded the Illinois High School Equivalency (HSE) Certification upon successful completion and passage of the GED® or HiSET® exam without completion of the Constitution requirement. As of July 1, 2022, the Constitution requirement for awarding the Illinois High School Equivalency Certificate returns. In order to complete the requirement, a test-taker will only need to complete the State of Illinois Constitution Module.

The new online Illinois Constitution Module (Constitution Module) has been developed to replace the former Constitution Test. The Constitution Module will be available beginning July 1 at <http://ilconstitution.org/>. It is estimated it will take two hours for a student to complete. It is available for HSE candidates to take independently and does not require proctoring at a testing center. Testing Centers no longer need to offer the Constitution Test. After completion of the Constitution Module, completers will be asked to provide information about themselves that will be used to match the completion with HSE records in the Illinois High School Equivalency Portal (Equivalency Portal). Completers will also be able to print or download a certificate showing the completion. It is recommended that completers not take the module until after completing one battery of HSE testing so they have a record in the portal.

The Spanish language translation remains in development and will be ready before October 1, 2022. The Constitution requirement for Spanish speaking test takers remains suspended until such time as it is completed and available online. When it is available, notification will be sent to the system and completion of the Constitution Module will be required. Regional Offices of Education will manually update the Constitution Module Date Completed on the high scores screen to indicate completion during this period.

The Equivalency Portal has been updated to reflect the nature by which a student has met the Constitution requirement. Options include the Constitution Test, the Constitution Waiver, or the Constitution Module. Anyone who previously completed the Constitution Test prior to implementation of the Constitution Module are not required to complete the module to be certified.

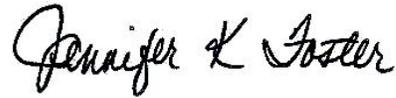
For questions, please send to hse@illinois.gov.

High school equivalency records are held at the county level in Illinois. To request copies of an official transcript or Illinois High School Equivalency Certificate, candidates must contact the Regional Office of Education for the county where the test was taken. High school equivalency candidates may find the appropriate Regional Office of Education to contact by searching our ROE locator at: <http://iccbdsrv.iccb.org/roesearch/citysearch.cfm> or by contacting the ICCB office at: hse@illinois.gov.

For up-to-date information, please refer to the ICCB website: http://www2.iccb.org/adult_ed/hse/. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jeff Newell, Deputy Director for Strategic Initiatives, Jeff.Newell@illinois.gov, or Jennifer Foster, Deputy Executive Director, Jennifer.Foster@illinois.gov.



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