

# Changes in High School Equivalency Diploma Requirements

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# Glen Cove GED Prep Program

Throughout the year, approximately 15-20 students transition to the GED program in order to satisfy the needed hours of preparation to sit for the GED exam.

This program consists of:

- \* 2 staff members per night
- \* 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm / 4 days a week.
- \* 2012-2013 Total Cost to District: \$67,710.72

# Concerns

- \* *Concerns:* In January of 2014, the GED requirements will be changed.
  - \* The exam will be moved to computer based testing and
  - \* the curriculum will be aligned to the Common Core Standards.

# GED Changes

- \* GED Testing Service is currently redesigning the GED exam with the new version to be rolled out in January of 2014. The new exam will change in significant ways:
  - \* More rigorous and two levels
  - \* More expensive
  - \* Computer-based testing

# GED vs. TASC

- \* The NYS Board of Regents passed a resolution allowing sub-test scores from GED® exams taken in calendar years 2002 through 2013 to be accepted on any general comprehensive examination prescribed for the High School Equivalency diploma (e.g., the TASC) administered on or after January 1, 2014 and before January 1, 2016.

# Nassau BOCES Program

- \* *Recommendation:* Partnering with Nassau BOCES to deliver a more effective High School Equivalency program.
- \* Proposed Start Date: October, 2013
- \* \*Out-of-district students can attend program for a fee to be paid by their home district, directly to Glen Cove School District. This will help offset our costs.

# Nassau BOCES Program Staffing

- \* Program Supervisor
- \* Teachers in Social Studies, English, Math, Science and ESL

# PROJECTED BUDGET FOR: GLEN COVE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**PROGRAM WILL CONSIST OF:** 2 periods per day for 90 minutes per period.

6-9 PM Monday - Thursday

**ESTIMATED TOTAL COST :** \$93,000 per full year

**AID RATIO 0.421 :** \$39,459

**ESTIMATED FINAL COST:** \$54,268

**\*\*** The estimated grand total is based upon 4 certified teachers and a part-time administrator to oversee the Program. It is also based upon each teacher working 6 hours per week.