

IHCC HiSET Information



Sign up for the HiSET and ELL program

- **Scan the QR code or visit:**
https://indianhills.formstack.com/forms/hiset_and_ell_program_sign_up
 - **Community Education Center: (641) 683-5747**
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Eligibility Requirements

To take the HiSET exam in Iowa, you must meet the following criteria:

- **Instruction:** All test takers must receive instruction in an adult education classroom before testing.
 - **Practice Test:** You must take and pass the official HiSET half-length practice test. The official exam must be taken within **90 days** of your practice test.
 - **Residency:** You do not need to be a resident of Iowa.
 - **Age Requirements:**
 - **18 Years Old:** Must provide an age waiver signed by your local school showing you are not enrolled.
 - **17 Years Old:** Must provide an age waiver signed by a parent/guardian *and* your local school showing you are not enrolled. (*Note: You will not receive your diploma until you turn 18 and your 9th-grade class has graduated*).
 - **16 Years Old:** Must be a resident of an Iowa Juvenile Institution or placed under the supervision of a Juvenile Probation Office.
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Cost & Scheduling

- **Cost:** \$18.00 per test (or \$90.00 for the full battery of five). This includes two free retests per subject within a 12-month period.
 - *Tip: Ask your instructor about vouchers to take your tests for free!*
 - *Note: A "no call, no show" forfeits one of your free payment attempts.*
- **Scheduling Your Test:** Once you pass the practice test, you can schedule at least 1 day prior to testing (if space is available).
 - **Online:** <https://test-takers.psiexams.com/hisetiowa>

- **Phone:** Call PSI customer service at 1-855-MyHiSET (1-855-694-4738)
 - **Cancellations & Rescheduling:** You must cancel or reschedule at least **24 hours** before your scheduled test date to avoid forfeiting your fee.
 - **Retests:** Require at least 12 hours of instruction and a passing score on a 2nd Official Practice Test. Your instructor must schedule all retests through the Testing Center.
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What to Bring on Test Day

1. **Valid Identification:** A government-issued ID (driver's license, passport, military ID, or Job Corps ID) showing your name, address, date of birth, signature, and photo. *Expired IDs will not be accepted.*
 2. **Practice Test Verification Form:** Showing a passing score within the last 90 days.
 3. **Age Waiver:** Required for all candidates 18 years old and under (see age requirements above).
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Scoring & Passing Rules

The HiSET battery consists of five subtests, each scored on a scale of 1–20. **To pass, you must meet ALL of the following:**

1. Achieve a score of at least **8** on each of the five subtests.
2. Score at least **2 out of 6** on the essay portion of the writing test.
3. Have a total combined score of at least **45** (averaging a 9 or better).

Testing Rules:

- You cannot take Math or Writing as your last test.
 - You may take each official test up to 3 times per calendar year.
 - Test scores remain valid for 5 years.
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Getting Your Diploma

- **How to Order:** Visit www.diplomasender.com or call 1-855-313-5799.
- **Fees:** Your first copy is **free!** Replacement copies are \$20.00.
- **Delivery:** Choose between email, FedEx, or regular mail.
- **Under 18?** You are not eligible to receive your diploma yet. Your original 9th-grade class must have graduated from high school, and you must be 18 years of age. You can request a transcript be sent to an employer or a college since you are not yet eligible for the diploma