



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
Department of Education

DATE: June 2, 2017
TO: Division Superintendents
FROM: Steven R. Staples, Superintendent of Public Instruction
SUBJECT: Race to GED® Grant Application 2017-2018

The Virginia General Assembly has provided state funding in the amount of \$1,945,613 for fiscal year 2018 (July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018) to school divisions for approved regional adult education programs. The Race to GED® funds are to be used to (1) increase High School Equivalency (HSE) testing capacity (with the approved GED® test); (2) provide additional instruction or supplemental academic support for adult learners to prepare for the HSE test; or (3) implement outreach activities to adults who lack a secondary education credential. The [application packet](#) (Word) is located on the Virginia Department of Education website.

The Race to GED® grant program is available through the Virginia Lottery funds. School divisions and entities that operate a regional adult education program in partnership with a school division are eligible to apply for these funds.

An original grant application must be emailed to gedinfo@doe.virginia.gov and two paper copies mailed to:

Virginia Department of Education
Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education
James Monroe Building, 21st Floor
101 North 14th Street
Richmond, VA 23219

Both electronic and paper applications must be received no later than 4 p.m., June 22, 2017. Applications not meeting the delivery deadline may not be considered.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Sue Mansfield, High School Equivalency Specialist, at sue.mansfield@doe.virginia.gov or by telephone at (804) 225-3999.

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