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# HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY (HSE) AGE WAIVER REQUEST FORM

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print Name) (Date of Birth)

certify that:

- a) I am no longer enrolled in a regular K-12 instructional program (proof required),
- b) I am at least 16 and less than 18 years of age (proof required),
- c) I am authorizing the GED Testing Service (GED), Data Recognition Corp (TASC), or the Educational Testing Service (HiSET) to send their test results to the school district last attended.

I believe this waiver is in my best interest for the following reason(s):

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Attach additional documentation if needed)

Signature of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

We, the undersigned, agree that is in the best interest of this individual to obtain his/her HSE.

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ HSE Test (GED, TASC, or HiSET) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Superintendent or Designee \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Superintendent or Designee \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School District / City/ State \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Must be signed by the Superintendent of the school district last attended

**DOCUMENTATION SUPPORTING THE REASON(S) FOR THIS REQUEST MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS FORM. PROOF OF AGE & NOT BEING ENROLLED IN REGULAR K-12 SCHOOL IS REQUIRED.**

## **SUGGESTED GUIDELINES:**

**An individual at least 16 and less than 18 years of age may be eligible for HSE testing if it is in the best interest of that student to obtain a HSE credential as determined by the student, his/her parent/guardian, and the superintendent or designee of the last school district attended.**

**Possible examples include but are not limited to the following (all examples assume the HSE candidate is capable of passing the HSE Test):**

- 1. An individual becomes the head of a household or otherwise needs to secure employment to support the family.**
- 2. A female is pregnant and will not be returning to regular school.**
- 3. An individual has a medical condition or learning disability that prevents him/her from completing a regular school program.**
- 4. An individual with exceptional academic skills is seeking to be admitted to a college or university but does not have a high school diploma.**
- 5. An individual has been expelled from school and will not be able to return to graduate with his/her class.**
- 6. An individual has been disruptive in the community and/or has had problems with law enforcement, and court officials such as a judge or probation officer, or a school psychologist, or a social worker recommend HSE testing as being in the best interest of the individual.**
- 7. An individual who has exhausted all other options, has earned a minimum number of high school credits and cannot possibly earn enough academic credit or graduate with his/her class and wishes to move on to employment, job training opportunities, or college.**
- 8. An individual who is unable to stay in regular school, and with the support and agreement of his/her family and school principal, it is determine that it is in the best interest of the student to obtain their HSE to continue with employment, job training, or be admitted to a college or university.**

**Please return form to the State of Michigan HSE Office.  
Scan and E-mail to: [HSEProgram@michigan.gov](mailto:HSEProgram@michigan.gov)**