



**National External
Diploma Program**



**A High School Diploma
Program
for Adults**



**A Unique Partnership
Working For You!**

**The National External
Diploma Program (NEDP)
provides an alternative
means to achieving a high
school diploma.
Serving fourteen towns**

Frequently Asked

- Q. How long will it take me to get my diploma?**
- A. This program is self-paced. The average length of time is between six months to one year.
- Q. Do I have to be presently employed?**
- A. You do not have to be presently employed however, you must have an occupational skill that can be assessed by either a past or present employer or by an outside assessor.
- Q. Will my employer be told that I am getting a high school diploma?**
- A. This is a confidential program. The program is identified as a skills enhancement class in correspondence that is sent out to employers.
- Q. What days/nights are assessors available?**
- A. Currently staff is available on Mondays and Tuesdays both during the day and in the evening.
- Q. Will I have to take any tests?**
- A. There is an initial appraisal test to determine reading and math skills. Also, the first phase of the program has an assessment in reading, math and writing.

Questions

- Q. What happens if I don't pass the test?**
- A. There is tutoring available to help you improve your skills.
- Q. How will I demonstrate my skills?**
- A. Skills will be demonstrated in practical ways such as:
- Comparing the news as reported through different sources
 - Writing a letter of complaint, resume and letter of application
 - Attending a live performance
 - Comparing credit scores

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Education for the 21st Century Workforce

The National External Diploma Program (NEDP)

RECOMMENDED FOR ADULTS WHO:

- Are highly motivated
- Are 21 years or older
- Are self-directed
- Have a verifiable occupational skill

PROGRAM FEATURES:

- Confidentiality
- Flexible scheduling
- Individualized weekly appointments

DEMONSTRATION OF SKILLS:

Adults will demonstrate skills in practical ways such as:

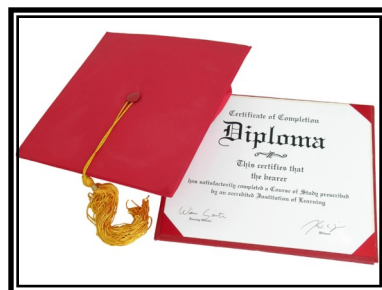
- Reading a newspaper or warranty
- Participation in government by voting or attending a town meeting
- Writing a letter of complaint
- Computing area and perimeter
- Comparing credit sources

COMPLETION TIME:

- Varies with each individual because it is self-paced
- Averages from six months to one year

THE NATIONAL EXTERNAL DIPLOMA PROGRAM OFFERS A TRADITIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA:

- Issued by Vernon Regional Adult Based Education
- Recognized by employers
- Accepted by institutions of higher learning



EDP Sequence

1. Appraisal Testing
Tutors available if needed

2. Diagnostic Phase
Assessment of math,
reading and writing skills

3. Assessment Phase
Demonstration of skills
through completion of five
weekly task booklets

**4. Post-Task Assessment
Phase (PTA's)**
Correction of skills not
demonstrated in task
booklets

5. Individualized Assessment
Verification of
Occupational Skills

or

**Certified Training
Documentation**

or

**Advanced Academic
Assessment**