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## OHIO ABLE DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES PROTOCOL

The Ohio Board of Regents (OBR) has contracted with two licensed diagnosticians to provide assessments for learning disabilities to ABLE students at no charge. Criteria for student selection:

- GED students who have taken the GED® Practice Test without adaptation/accommodations and were unsuccessful in passing a section(s). Subsequently, the students took the GED® Practice Test with accommodations and passed;
- 2. and/or students preparing to enter postsecondary education or training.

#### **Steps for Accessing Services:**

- 1. Discuss LD screening and diagnostic assessment with the student<sup>1</sup>. Give the student the *Diagnostic Services for ABLE Students* brochure and explain the purpose of the OBR diagnostic testing project.
- If your student decides he/she wants to go on for testing, pre- screen the student using Washington-13 Learning Needs Assessment.
- 3. If the student scores 13, administer a secondary assessment such as:
  - a. Powerpath
  - b. Cooper Screening of Information Processing
  - c. Screening Test for Adult Learning Disabilities (STALD)
- 4. If score indicates the possibility of a learning disability, then complete the consent form with the student to refer for diagnostic assessment. *Note: Please enter this information in ABLElink per Ohio Board of Regents ABLElink Policy.*

- 5. After completing the pre-assessments above, the student should gather additional educational data (e.g. Individualized Education Plan [IEP] or other diagnostic assessment)
- 6. Complete Sections 1 and 2 of the *Application for LD Assessment Services* form (attached). In Section 2, describe the classroom accommodations and adaptations section for the student (e.g. notes from teachers regarding student performance and accommodations used in the classroom, evidence of GED® Practice Test scores with and without accommodations)
- Fax Application for LD Assessment Services form and other documentation (see checklist on form) to Sharon Reynolds, Director of Adult Basic and Literacy Education, Stevens Literacy Center, at (fax) 740-593-2834 or scan and email to reynols1@ohio.edu. She will review and respond to the student within 5 business days.
- 8. If approved, packet will be forwarded to a diagnostician. The diagnostician will contact student to set up an appointment for testing. The diagnostician will work with the student to complete the forms needed to obtain GED accommodations. Teachers can assist in obtaining the forms with the student prior to the visit to the diagnostician. The accommodations forms are available on the GED website at: http://www.gedtestingservice.com/testers/accomm odations-for-disability
- 9. The diagnostician will provide verification to the CSE ABLE Resource Center once the assessment has been completed. The CSE Resource Center will then notify via email the ABLE practitioner listed on the application.
- 10. It is the student's option to follow up with the ABLE practitioner regarding their assessment results.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Suggested resource: Learning Differences and Disabilities: What Every Learner Should Know. Available upon request from Central/Southeast ABLE Resource Center.





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#### **Testing Service Locations:**

Northeast	South
Canton City Schools 617 McKinley Ave. N.W. Canton, OH 44702	<ul> <li>Pickaway-Ross JVSD</li> <li>(1) 40 West Fifth Street, Chillicothe, OH 45601</li> <li>(2) 895 Crouse Chapel Rd., Chillicothe, OH 45601</li> </ul>
Northeast ABLE Resource Center Henn Mansion 23131 Lake Shore Blvd. Euclid, OH 44123	Scioto South Central Ohio ESC 411 Court Street Portsmouth, OH 45662
Northwest	Southwest
Ohio Hi-Point JVSD 2280 State Route 540 Bellefontaine, OH 43311	<b>Cincinnati Public Schools ABLE Program</b> 425 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, OH 45203
Northwest ABLE Resource Center 2249 Tracy Rd. Northwood, OH 43619	<ul> <li>Miami Valley Career Technology Center</li> <li>(1) 6800 Hoke Rd, Clayton, OH 45315</li> <li>(2) Montgomery County Job Center 1133 Edwin C. Moses Blvd, Dayton, OH 45408</li> </ul>
Central	Southeast
<ul> <li>Eastland-Fairfield Career Center</li> <li>(1) Adult Workforce Development Building 4465 S. Hamilton Rd, Groveport, OH 43125</li> <li>(2) Fairfield Career Center 3985 Coonpath Rd., Carroll, OH 43112</li> </ul>	Central/Southeast ABLE Resource Center Ohio University 338 McCracken Hall Athens, OH 45701
East	
Mid-East Career & Technology Center 400 Richards Rd Zanesville, OH 43701	



#### **Application for Learning Disability Assessment Services Form**

**Section 1.** Contact information. Please complete all information below.

Studer	nt Information					
Studen	nt Name					
Phone	Number	Alternate Phone Number				
Studen	nt Email					
Student Date of Birth						
ABLE P	ABLE Program Information					
ABLE P	ABLE Program Name					
ABLE P	ABLE Program Director Phone Number					
ABLE P	ABLE Program Director Email					
ABLE P	ABLE Program Address					
ABLE T	eacher Information					
ABLE T	eacher Name	Phone Number				
ABLE Teacher Email						
Checklist (please include all of the following)						
	Student Consent Form					
	Release of Information					
	Washington-13					
	Follow-up Screening					
	<ul> <li>PowerPath</li> </ul>					
	• CSIP					
	o STALD					
	Testing Reports					
	IEP (if applicable)					

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#### Section 2. Accommodations. Please complete the following section.

Describe the types of instructional accommodations and adaptations that have been helpful to this student in the past. Include details as to why the accommodations were chosen and how they contributed to the student's success.

Submitted by:	D	ate
Phone number	Email	
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