ATTACHMENT C: 2017 OMS FACTOR VERIFICATION SURVEY

Please complete and return by April 7, 2017 using the online survey (see Program Instruction attachments for detailed instructions on how to access and complete the survey online and for your center's survey login information)

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This OMS Factor Verification Survey (FVS) asks a range of questions about the HSE tests offered to students at your center, HSE testing sites available to your center and requirements students must meet to test, and High School Diploma (HSD) programs available to students at your center.

The first set of questions focuses mainly on the factors that have affected your center's abilities to help students prepare to take an HSE test(s) adopted by your state (i.e., $2014 \text{ GED}^{\$}$, HiSETTM and/or TASCTM) and any HSE testing of students that your center has done or plans to do. You will only be required to respond to questions about HSE test(s) that are relevant to your center's current HSE testing and future testing plans.

The next set of questions is about HSD programs and requirements. These questions cover calendar year (CY) 2016 (January 1 – December 31, 2016), and also ask about any anticipated or planned changes through the end of program year (PY) 2016 (June 30,

2017) with the overall purpose of identifying HSD options currently offered to students plus any actual or planned changes during the remainder of PY 2016.

The next set of questions focuses on HSD programs versus HSE testing strategies. The final section includes questions related to some additional factors that may impact centers' HSE testing and HSE attainments (e.g., questions related to students who are Limited English Proficient, students with documented disabilities) as well as questions regarding barriers to literacy and numeracy gains.

In some cases, you may encounter pre-filled responses that are based upon information obtained either through the last FVS completed or other more current sources of data. For these questions, please review the pre-filled response and correct the information if it is not accurate. Once you have confirmed and/or edited the response, click "Next" to proceed to the next question. There are several questions in the survey where the response is not pre-filled, and you will have to enter your answers to these questions directly.

If you have any questions about the survey or would like to provide additional details about any of your responses, please contact Andrew Davis at davisah@battelle.org or 984-227-2154. Thank you in advance for your time and effort to complete and submit this information. Your answers provide very important input for the OMS.

SECTION 1: OVERVIEW OF CALENDAR YEAR (CY) 2016 AND PROGRAM YEAR (PY) 2016 HSE TESTING

2014 GED[®]

1.	Was the 2014 GED [®] an approved option for HSE testing in your state during CY 2016?
	□Yes
	□ No → Go to Question 5

2.	Was 2014 GED testing available to your center during CY 2016 (i.e., January 1 – December 31, 2016)? We're interested in determining if any of your testing sites offered testing for the 2014 GED in CY 2016, even if none of your students took the 2014 GED during that time period.
	\Box Yes \rightarrow 2a. Please indicate the first day when your center could potentially have begun 2014 GED testing at any of your testing sites in CY 2016, even if none of your students took the 2014 GED during that time period.
	Enter date [MM/DD]:
	\square No \rightarrow Go to Question 3c
3.	In CY 2016, did any of your students take the 2014 GED (i.e., at least one subject area test)?
	□Yes →
	3a. When did your students first begin testing using the 2014 GED in CY 2016?
	Enter date [MM/DD]:/
	3b. How many students from your center took the 2014 GED in CY 2016? Please include all students that took at least one subject area test, even if they didn't complete the full battery of tests.
	Number of students:
	→ Go to Question 5
	□No
	3c. Please indicate the main reason(s) why students on your center did not take the 2014 GED during CY 2016. [Mark all that apply]
	☐ Insufficient 2014 GED instructional/preparation materials available for instructors/staff to use to prepare students ☐ Insufficient materials/options available to train instructors/staff on how to prepare students for the 2014 GED ☐ State had not started offering 2014 GED testing ☐ Local 2014 GED testing site(s) had not started offering 2014 GED testing ☐ Testing site(s) offering 2014 GED are located too far away from our center
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	Testing site(s) had limited slots or scheduling challenges
	Our center decided not to prepare students for the 2014 GED during that time
	Our center decided to prepare students for a different HSE test during that time
	Other (Please specify):
4.	Do you plan to have (or have you had) any of your students test with the 2014 GED during the final six months of PY 2016 (January 1 – June 30, 2017)?
	\square Yes \rightarrow 4a. When do you plan to begin (or when did you begin) 2014 GED testing during the final six months of PY 2016 (January 1 – June 30, 2017)?
	Enter date [MM/DD]:/
	\square No \Rightarrow 4b. Please briefly describe why your center is not planning to use the 2014 GED in the final six months of PY 2016 (January 1 – June 30, 2017):
<u>Hi</u>	SET TM
5.	Was the HiSETTM an approved option for HSE testing in your state during CY 2016?
	□Yes
	□ No → Go to Question 9
6.	Was HiSET testing available to your center during CY 2016 (i.e., January 1 – December 31, 2016)? We're interested in determining if any of your testing sites offered testing for the HiSET in CY 2016, even if none of your students took the HiSET during that time period.
	\square Yes \rightarrow 6a. Please indicate the first day when your center could potentially have begun HiSET testing at any of your testing sites in CY 2016, even if none of your students took the HiSET during that time period.
	Enter date [MM/DD]:/
	\square No \rightarrow Go to Question 7c

7. In	CY 2016, did any of your students take the HiSET (i.e., at least one subject area test)?		
	□Yes →		
	7a. When did your students first begin testing using the HiSET in CY 2016?		
	Enter date [MM/DD]:/		
	7b. How many students from your center took the HiSET in CY 2016? <i>Please include all students that took at least one subject area test.</i>		
	Number of students:		
	→ Go to Question 9		
	No		
	7c. Please indicate the main reason(s) why students on your center did not take the HiSET during CY 2016. [Mark all that apply]		
	□ Insufficient HiSET instructional/preparation materials available for instructors/staff to use to prepare students □ Insufficient materials/options available to train instructors/staff on how to prepare students for the HiSET □ State had not started offering HiSET testing □ Local HiSET testing site(s) had not started offering HiSET testing □ Testing site(s) offering HiSET are located too far away from our center □ Testing site(s) had limited slots or scheduling challenges □ Our center decided not to prepare students for the HiSET during that time □ Our center decided to prepare students for a different HSE test during that time □ Other (Please specify):		

 Do you plan to have (or have you had) any of your students test with the HiSET during the final six months of PY 201 – June 30, 2017)? 	6 (January 1
\square Yes \Rightarrow 8a. When do you plan to begin (or when did you begin) HiSET testing in the final six months of PY 2016 (Janue 30, 2017)?	ıuary 1 –
Enter date [MM/DD]:/	
\square No \rightarrow 8b. Please briefly describe why your center is not planning to use the HiSET in the final six months of PY 3 (January 1 – June 30, 2017):	!016
TASC TM	
9. Was the TASC TM an approved option for HSE testing in your state during CY 2016?	
□ Yes □ No → Go to Question 13	
10. Was TASC testing available to your center during CY 2016 (i.e., January 1 – December 31, 2016)? We're interested in if any of your testing sites offered testing for the TASC in CY 2016, even if none of your students took the TASC during period.	_
\square Yes \rightarrow 10a. Please indicate the first day when your center could potentially have begun TASC testing at any of your sites in CY 2016, even if none of your students took the TASC during that time period.	ır testing
Enter date [MM/DD]:	
\square No \rightarrow Go to Question 11c	

11. Ir	CY 2016, did any of your students take the TASC (i.e., at least one subject area test)?
	∃Yes →
	11a. When did your students first begin testing using the TASC in CY 2016?
	Enter date [MM/DD]:
	11b. How many students from your center took the TASC in CY 2016? Please include all students that took at least one subject area test.
	Number of students:
	→ Go to Question 13
] _{No}
	11.c Please indicate the main reason(s) why students on your center did not take the TASC during CY 2016. [Mark all that apply]
	□ Insufficient TASC instructional/preparation materials available for instructors/staff to use to prepare students □ Insufficient materials/options available to train instructors/staff on how to prepare students for the TASC □ State had not started offering TASC testing □ Local TASC testing site(s) had not started offering TASC testing □ Testing site(s) offering TASC are located too far away from our center □ Testing site(s) had limited slots or scheduling challenges □ Our center decided not to prepare students for the TASC during that time □ Our center decided to prepare students for a different HSE test during that time □ Other (Please specify):

	-	plan on having (or have e 30, 2017)?	you had) any of your students	test with the TASC during the fi	inal six months of PY 2016 (Ja	nuary
		→ 12a. When do you pla 0, 2017)?	n to begin (or when did you be	gin) TASC testing in the final six	months of PY 2016 (January	1-
Er	nter d	ate [MM/DD]:/_	<u></u>			
		→ 12b. Please briefly des ry 1 – June 30, 2017):	cribe why your center is not p	lanning on using the TASC in th	ne final six months of PY 201	6
13. In	CY 20		-	t in another state(s)? <i>This includ</i>	des all HSE testing options, wi	hether
13] Yes] No - ? 3a. Ple		below the: 1) state(s); 2) test(s); 3) date(s) testing first starte 2016. <i>Please enter only one sta</i>	-	
		State	HSE Test	Date First Started Testing	Number of Students	
		(Enter one per row)	(Select one)	in Another State (MM/DD)	Tested	
	a.		□2014 GED □HISET □TASC			

□2014 GED □HISET □TASC

□2014 GED □HISET □TASC

□2014 GED □HISET □TASC

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20 a0) 16 (Jadding	anuary 1 – June 30, 2017) in addit	ion to any out-of-state testing t	tests in any other states during the final six months of PY that may have already occurred? If you do not plan on on on this of PY 2016 in addition to those entered for Q13,
	Yes No -	→ If Yes to Question 13, go to Que	estion 15; If No to Question 13,	go to Question 16
		ease indicate in the table below th cipated start date(s). <i>Please enter</i>		nning to test in; 2) test(s) you are planning to offer; and n per row.
		State	HSE Test	Anticipated Start Date for Testing in
		(Enter one per row)	(Select one)	Another State (MM/DD)
	a.		□2014 GED □HISET □TASC	
	b.		□2014 GED □HISET □TASC	
	c.		□2014 GED □HISET □TASC	
	d.		□2014 GED □HISET □TASC	
		nter had students in CY 2016 – or p HSE test in another state because		nal six months of PY 2016 (January 1 – June 30, 2017) –
		ers an HSE testing option(s) not of		
			sting in a format (i.e., compute	r-based, paper/pencil) not offered/allowed in our state
		ws testing of younger students		
		uires less documentation than in		
		juires fewer prerequisites than in		
		vides access to more (or additiona a testing site(s) closer to our loca		
		vides test results in a more timely		
		shorter waiting periods for retest		
		er reason(s): (Please describe)	····o	

Overall Testing Experiences for Students who Separated in CY 2016:

16. For students who **separated** in CY 2016, please indicate in the table below for each HSE testing option available to your center:

1) The approximate number of students who were academically prepared (i.e., met all required prerequisites) to take the HSE test; 2) The number of students who took the HSE test (i.e., at least one subject area test); and 3) The number of students who passed the HSE test.

For students who separated in CY 2016, please enter the	2014 GED	HiSET	TASC
 a. Approximate number of separated students who were academically prepared to take each HSE test: 			
b. The number of separated students who took the HSE test:			
c. The number of separated students who passed the HSE test:			

If any of your responses above for 16a are greater than your response to 16b for a particular test(s), please answer Q16d (2014 GED), Q16e (HiSET) and/or Q16f (TASC) below, as appropriate. Otherwise, please proceed to Q17. (Note: online survey will automatically skip to the appropriate question(s) based on your responses above)

16d. Please indicate the main reason(s) why students on your center who **separated in CY 2016 and were academically prepared** to take the **2014 GED** did not take the test. **[Mark all that apply]**

☐ State had not started offering 2014 GED testing
□ Local 2014 GED testing site(s) had not started offering 2014 GED testing
☐ Testing site(s) offering 2014 GED are located too far away from our center
☐ Testing site(s) had limited slots or scheduling challenges
☐ Our center decided not to prepare students for the 2014 GED during that time
☐ Our center decided to prepare students for a different HSE test during that time
☐ Our center decided to prepare students for obtaining HSDs instead of HSEs during that time
□ Other (Please specify):

	16e. Please indicate the main reason(s) why students on your center who separated in CY 2016 and were academically prepared to take the HiSET did not take the test. <i>[Mark all that apply]</i>
	☐ State had not started offering HiSET testing
	☐ Local HiSET testing site(s) had not started offering HiSET testing
	☐ Testing site(s) offering HiSET are located too far away from our center
	Testing site(s) had limited slots or scheduling challenges
	Our center decided not to prepare students for the HiSET during that time
	Our center decided to prepare students for a different HSE test during that time
	☐ Our center decided to prepare students for obtaining HSDs instead of HSEs during that time ☐ Other (Please specify):
	16f. Please indicate the main reason(s) why students on your center who separated in CY 2016 and were academically prepared to take the TASC did not take the test. <i>[Mark all that apply]</i>
	☐ State had not started offering TASC testing
	□ Local TASC testing site(s) had not started offering TASC testing
	☐ Testing site(s) offering TASC are located too far away from our center
	☐ Testing site(s) had limited slots or scheduling challenges
	\square Our center decided not to prepare students for the TASC during that time
	Our center decided to prepare students for a different HSE test during that time
	Our center decided to prepare students for obtaining HSDs instead of HSEs during that time
	□ Other (Please specify):
<u>St</u>	udent Eligibility Requirements:
17	In the primary state where your students currently take (or will take) an HSE test(s), what is the youngest age at which your students are eligible to take the test(s), even if waiver requests must be approved for that age?
	□ Age 16
	□ Age 17
	□ Age 18
	Other (Please specify)

18	. Does the primary state in which your students take an HSE test have any requirements for the <u>length of time</u> after a student leaves school (e.g., a minimum number of months) before s/he is eligible to take the test?
	□ Yes □ No → Go to Question 20
19	How many students during CY 2016 (January 1 – December 31, 2016) were academically prepared (i.e., met all other state and local prerequisites) to take an HSE test, but were denied because of requirements for the length of time after the student left school?
	Number of students:
20	In the primary state in which your students currently take (or will take) an HSE test(s), is there a residency requirement that prevents students who are academically prepared from taking an HSE test? If the residency requirement can typically be waived, then please respond "No."
	\square Yes \square No \rightarrow Go to Question 23/26/29 (online survey will skip to appropriate question)
21	How many days must a student reside in the state before he/she can take an HSE test? If a student must be a resident but no minimum length of time is required, please enter "0" (zero).
	Number of days:
22	How many students in CY 2016 were academically prepared (i.e., met all required prerequisites) to take an HSE test, but were denied because of residency requirements?
	Number of students:

Testing Sites/Availability:

2014 GED

23.	Do you currently offer 2014 GED testing to your students on center (e.g., as an addendum testing site to the main testing center)?
	 □ Yes □ No → Go to Question 24
	23a. Do the majority of your students take the 2014 GED test on center?
	 □ Yes □ No→ Please briefly describe why not:
	23b. Was 2014 GED testing available to your students on center throughout PY 2016?
	 Yes No→ Please enter the date when 2014 GED testing became available on center:
	Enter date [MM/DD/YYYY] in PY 2016 (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017):/
	23c. How often is 2014 GED testing typically offered on center?
	☐ At least once a week
	☐ About three times a month
	☐ About twice a month
	☐ About once a month
	☐ Less than once a month

	23d. Approximately how many testing seats (slots) are typically available to your students each time the 2014 GED test is offered on center?
	Number of seats (slots):
	23e. In what format is 2014 GED testing available to students on center?
	□ Computer-based only □ Paper-based only □ Both computer- and paper-based
24	How many off-center testing sites offering 2014 GED testing are available to your center? Please include any testing sites that have indicated they will offer the 2014 GED but haven't begun testing yet. If "0" (zero), skip to Question 25.
	Number of off-center 2014 GED testing sites:
0	r each off-center testing site used by (or available to) your center for 2014 GED testing, please provide the following information:
	Testing Site #1:
	24.a1. What is the name of the testing site?:
	24.a2. In which state is this testing site located?:
	24.a3. Was 2014 GED testing available to your students at this site throughout PY 2016?
	 ☐ Yes ☐ No→ Please enter the date when 2014 GED testing became available to your students at this site. If you have not begun testing at this site, please enter the date you expect to begin testing.
	Enter date [MM/DD/YYYY]:/

24.a4. How often is 2014 GED testing typically offered at this site? If you have not started testing yet at this site, but you know how often the test will be offered to your center, please indicate the appropriate answer below; if you have not started testing yet at this site and do not know, please check the last box
☐ At least once a week
☐ About three times a month
☐ About twice a month
☐ About once a month
Less than once a month
☐ Have not started testing yet and don't know
24.a5. Approximately how many testing seats (slots) are typically available to your center each time the 2014 GED test is offered at this site?
Number of seats (slots):
24.a6. Approximately how many miles away is this testing site from your center?
Number of miles:
24.a7. In what format is 2014 GED testing available to students at this testing site?
□ Computer-based only
□ Paper-based only
□ Both computer- and paper-based
[Note: Online survey will repeat testing site questions for the number of sites entered for Question 24]

25.	Taking into account all of the 2014 GED testing sites available to you (on-and off-center), how many testing seats (slots) are usually available for your students each month?
	Number of seats (slots):
<u>HiS</u>	<u>ET:</u>
26.	Do you currently offer HiSET testing to your students on center (e.g., as an addendum testing site to the main testing center)?
	 □ Yes □ No→ Go to Question 27
	26.a. Do the majority of your students take the HiSET test on center?
	 □ Yes □ No→ Please briefly describe why not:
	26.b. Was HiSET testing available to your students on center throughout PY 2016?
	 □ Yes □ No→ Please enter the date when HiSET testing became available on center:
	Enter date [MM/DD/YYYY]:/
	26.c. How often is HiSET testing typically offered on center?
	☐ At least once a week
	☐ About three times a month
	About twice a month
	About once a month
	Less than once a month

	26.d. Approximately how many testing seats (slots) are typically available to your students each time the HiSET test is offered on center?
	Number of seats (slots):
	26.e. In what format is HiSET testing available to students on center?
	□ Computer-based only □ Paper-based only □ Both computer- and paper-based
27	. How many off-center testing sites offering HiSET testing are available to your center? Please include any testing sites that have indicated they will offer the HiSET but haven't begun testing yet. If "0" (zero), skip to Question 28.
	Number of off-center HiSET testing sites:
О	r each off-center testing site used by (or available to) your center for HiSET testing, please provide the following information:
	Testing Site #1:
	27.a1. What is the name of the testing site?:
	27.a2. In which state is this testing site located?:
	27.a3. Was HiSET testing available to your students at this site throughout PY 2016?
	 ☐ Yes ☐ No→ Please enter the date when HiSET testing became available to your students at this site. If you have not begun testing at this site, please enter the date you expect to begin testing.
	Enter date [MM/DD/YYYY]:/

27.a4. How often is HiSET testing typically offered at this site? If you have not started testing yet at this site, but you know how often the test will be offered to your center, please indicate the appropriate answer below; if you have not started testing yet at this site and do not know, please check the last box
□ At least once a week □ About three times a month □ About twice a month □ About once a month □ Less than once a month □ Have not started testing yet and don't know
27.a5. Approximately how many testing seats (slots) are typically available to your center each time the HiSET test is offered at this site?
Number of seats (slots):
27.a6. Approximately how many miles away is this testing site from your center?
Number of miles:
27.a7. In what format is HiSET testing available to students at this testing site?
□ Computer-based only □ Paper-based only □ Both computer- and paper-based
[Note: Online survey will repeat testing site questions for the number of sites entered for Question 27]

8. Taking into account all of the HiSET testing sites available to you (on-and off-center), how many testing seats (slots) available for your students each month?	are usually
Number of seats (slots):	
ASC:	
9. Do you currently offer TASC testing to your students on center (e.g., as an addendum testing site to the main testing	g center)?
 □ Yes □ No→ Go to Question 30 	
29.a. Do the majority of your students take the TASC test on center?	
 □ Yes □ No→ Please briefly describe why not: 	
29.b. Was TASC testing available to your students on center throughout PY 2016?	
 ☐ Yes ☐ No→ Please enter the date when TASC testing became available on center: 	
Enter date [MM/DD/YYYY]:/	
29.c. How often is the TASC typically offered on center?	
☐ At least once a week ☐ About three times a month ☐ About twice a month ☐ About once a month ☐ Less than once a month	

	29.d. Approximately how many testing seats (slots) are typically available to your students each time the TASC test is offered on center?
١	Number of seats (slots):
2	29.e. In what format is TASC testing available to students on center?
	☐ Computer-based only ☐ Paper-based only ☐ Both computer- and paper-based
	How many off-center testing sites offering TASC testing are available to your center? Please include any testing sites that have indicated they will offer the TASC but haven't begun testing yet. If "0" (zero), skip to Question 31.
N	Number of off-center TASC testing sites:
Fore	each off-center testing site used by (or available to) your center for TASC testing, please provide the following information:
I	<u>Festing Site #1</u> :
3	30.a1. What is the name of the testing site?:
3	30.a2. In which state is this testing site located?:
3	30.a3. Was TASC testing available to your students at this site throughout PY 2016?
	☐ Yes ☐ No→Please enter the date when TASC testing became available to your students at this site. If you have not begun testing at this site, please enter the date you expect to begin testing.
E	Enter date [MM/DD/YYYY]:/

30.a4. How often is TASC testing typically offered at this site? If you have not started testing yet at this site, but you know how often the test will be offered to your center, please indicate the appropriate answer below; if you have not started testing yet at this site and do not know, please check the last box
□ At least once a week □ About three times a month □ About twice a month □ About once a month □ Less than once a month □ Have not started testing yet and don't know
30.a5. Approximately how many testing seats (slots) are typically available to your center each time the TASC test is offered at this site?
Number of seats (slots):
30.a6. Approximately how many miles away is this testing site from your center?
Number of miles:
30.a7. In what format is TASC testing available to students at this testing site?
□ Computer-based only □ Paper-based only □ Both computer- and paper-based
[Note: Online survey will repeat testing site questions for the number of sites entered for Question 30]

31. Taking into account all of the TASC testing sites available to you, how many testing seats (slots) are usually available for your students each month?
Number of seats (slots):
[Based on answers provided earlier regarding the different HSE tests the center offers their students, the online survey will direct respondents to complete Questions 32-48a if they offer the 2014 GED; Questions 49-65a if they offer the HiSET; and/or Questions 66-82a if they offer the TASC.]
SECTION 2: PRE-TEST REQUIREMENTS, TEST REGISTRATION, PASSING SCORES, TEST RESULTS, FULL BATTERY/INDIVIDUAL TEST REQUIREMENTS AND ACCOMMODATIONS: 2014 GED
This next set of questions covers a wide range of testing issues that are specific to the 2014 GED test. The first few questions are about any pre-tests that students are required by the state or local testing authorities to pass before they are allowed to take the official 2014 GED test. These questions are not about your center policies or practices, nor about general guidelines, but about specific requirements imposed by other testing authorities.
32. Are your students required by state or local testing authorities to pass an Official GED Practice Test (OPT) (i.e., GED Ready TM) before they are allowed to register for the actual 2014 GED test?
□ Yes □ No → Go to Question 34

33	Are the minimum passing score requirements for the GED Ready TM OPT higher than those required for the actual 2014 GED test? In January 2016, the GED Testing Service lowered the minimum acceptable passing scores to 145 points on each test and a total of 580 or higher across the four tests. However, some states have not (yet) adopted this change and maintain the previous minimum passing scores for the 2014 GED of 150 on each test and 600 across all four tests. Please select your response as to whether the minimum OPT passing score is higher than the new minimum actual passing score based on the state in which the majority of your students take the GED test.
	☐ Yes → 33a. Please describe the higher minimum OPT passing score requirements (e.g., minimum score on each test, minimum overall score):
	□ No
34	. Are there any other tests that students are required by state or local testing authorities to pass at specific levels before they are allowed to take the official 2014 GED test?
	 □ Yes □ No → Go to Question 36

35. Please indicate in Column 1 below the additional tests that are required by state or local testing authorities for students to pass and in Column 2 the minimum passing score requirements for each test.

<u>Column 1</u>	<u>Column 2</u>	
Additional Practice Tests or Other Tests Required by State or Local Testing Authorities	Minimum Passing Score Requirements	
a.		
b.		
C.		

36	Are there any <u>other</u> state or local testing center requirements that your students must meet in order to take the official 2014 GED test? Do not include preparation activities or other requirements that your center or your instructors may require students to complete before allowing them to test.
	 □ Yes → 36a. Please describe: □ No
37	Are you allowed to register students on the same day that 2014 GED testing is offered?
	□ Yes → Go to Question 39 □ No
38	How much time prior to the testing date are you required to register students for them to be eligible to take the 2014 GED test?
	□ Less than one week
	□ At least one week but less than two weeks
	☐ At least two weeks but less than three weeks
	☐ At least three weeks but less than four weeks
	□ Four weeks or more
39	Do the national 2014 GED minimum passing score requirements apply to your students or do you primarily test in a state that has higher minimum passing score requirements? In January 2016, the GED Testing Service lowered the minimum acceptable passing scores to 145 points on each test and a total of 580 or higher across the four tests. However, some states have not (yet) adopted this change and maintain the previous minimum passing scores for the 2014 GED of 150 on each test and 600 across all four tests. Please select your response based on the state in which the majority of your students take the GED test.
	☐ The state uses the new national lower 2014 GED passing score requirements
	\square The state continues to use the previous higher national 2014 GED passing score requirements
	\Box The state uses even higher minimum passing score requirements \rightarrow 39a. Please describe below:

40.	On average, how long has it taken to obtain the 2014 GED test results for your students?
	□ Less than one week □ At least one week but less than two weeks □ At least two weeks but less than one month □ At least one month but less than two months □ Two months or more
41.	Is there a minimum waiting period required by the state or testing site(s) before students can take a 2014 GED re-test? If the only reason that a student has to wait is because the test is not offered very often or he/she had to wait to get the test results, this is not considered a formal waiting period.
	□ Yes □ No → Go to Question 45
42.	How long are your students required by the state or testing site to wait before they can take a 2014 GED re-test?
	Number of days:
43.	Taking into account both how long it takes to get the 2014 GED test results and the length of time between when 2014 GED testing is offered at your testing sites, does the minimum waiting period serve to prevent students from being re-tested?
	□ Yes □ No → Go to Question 45
44.	How many students were prevented from taking a 2014 GED re-test in CY 2016 because of the minimum waiting period?
	Number of students:

45	When students take their <u>initial 2014 GED test</u> , are they required to take the full battery of tests or may the initial test be take as individual subject area tests?
	□ Full battery of tests must be taken□ Subject area tests may be taken
46	For students who fail their initial 2014 GED test, must the <u>re-test</u> be taken as a full battery or may the student take individual subject area tests?
	□ Full battery of tests must be taken□ Subject area tests may be taken
47	Does your state or local testing site(s) have any requirements related to the order students must take the individual 2014 GED subtests (e.g., can't take a particular test first/last, must take a particular test before/after another test)?
	\square Yes \rightarrow 47a. Please describe:
48	Did you make any requests for testing accommodations for your students for the 2014 GED test in CY 2016?
	□ Yes → Go to Question 48a □ No → Go to Instruction below Question 48a

48a. In the table below, please indicate the types and numbers of accommodations requested in CY 2016, the number of accommodation requests approved, and the average length of time to receive responses to approval requests.

	Types of Accommodation Requested for 2014 GED Test	Number of Student Accommodation Requests for Accommodation Type	Number of Requests Approved	Average Length of Time to Receive Response to Accommodation Request
a.				
b.				
c.				
d.				
e.				

[Based on answers provided earlier regarding the different HSE tests the center offers their students, the online survey will direct respondents to complete Questions 49-65a if they offer the HiSET; if not, they will complete Questions 66-82a if they offer the TASC; if they do not offer the HiSET or the TASC, they will skip to Question 83.]

SECTION 3: PRE-TEST REQUIREMENTS, TEST REGISTRATION, PASSING SCORES, TEST RESULTS, FULL BATTERY/INDIVIDUAL TEST REQUIREMENTS AND ACCOMMODATIONS: HISET:

This next set of questions covers a wide range of testing issues that are specific to the HiSET test. The first few questions are about any pre-tests that students are required by the state or local testing authorities to pass before they are allowed to take the official HiSET test. These questions are not about your center policies or practices, nor about general guidelines, but about specific requirements imposed by other testing authorities.

49. Are your students requeres register for the actual	uired by state or local testing authoritie. HiSET test?	s to pass an official HiSET practice	test before they are allowed to
$□ Yes □ No \rightarrow Go to Ques$	stion 51		

nose required for the actual HiSET test, and a manage Arts Writing essay section and a
g., minimum score on each test, minimum
s to pass at specific levels before they are
cal testing authorities for students to pass
Column 2
Minimum Passing Score Requirements

54.	Are you allowed to register students on the same day that HiSET testing is offered?
	□ Yes → Go to Question 56 □ No
55.	How much time prior to the testing date are you required to register students for them to be eligible to take the HiSET test?
	□ Less than one week
	☐ At least one week but less than two weeks
	☐ At least two weeks but less than three weeks
	☐ At least three weeks but less than four weeks
	□ Four weeks or more
56.	Do the national HiSET minimum passing score requirements (i.e., a minimum score of at least 8 on each individual subtest, at least 2 on the Language Arts Writing essay section and a total of at least 45 on all five subtests) apply to your students or do you primarily test in a state that has higher minimum passing score requirements?
	☐ The state uses the national HiSET passing score requirements
	☐ The state has higher minimum passing score requirements → 56a. Please describe below :
57.	On average, how long has it taken to obtain the HiSET test results for your students?
	□ Less than one week
	☐ At least one week but less than two weeks
	☐ At least two weeks but less than one month
	☐ At least one month but less than two months
	☐ Two months or more

58	Is there a minimum waiting period required by the state or testing site(s) before students can take a HiSET re-test? If the only reason that a student has to wait is because the test is not offered very often or he/she had to wait to get the test results, this is not considered a formal waiting period.
	\square Yes \square No \Rightarrow Go to Question 62
59	. How long are your students required by the state or testing site to wait before they can take a HiSET re-test?
	Number of days:
60	. Taking into account both how long it takes to get the HiSET test results and the length of time between when HiSET testing is offered at your testing sites, does the minimum waiting period serve to prevent students from being re-tested?
	\square Yes \square No \Rightarrow Go to Question 62
61	. How many students were prevented from taking a HiSET re-test in CY 2016 because of the minimum waiting period?
	Number of students
62	. When students take their <u>initial HiSET test</u> , are they required to take the full battery of tests or may the initial test be taken as individual subject area tests?
	☐ Full battery of tests must be taken ☐ Subject area tests may be taken
63	. For students who fail their initial HiSET test, must the <u>re-test</u> be taken as a full battery or may the student take individual subjectarea tests?
	 □ Full battery of tests must be taken □ Subject area tests may be taken

64. Does your state or local testing site(s) have any requirements related to the order students must take the individu subtests (e.g., can't take a particular test first/last, must take a particular test before/after another test)?	al HiSET
□ Yes → 64a. Please describe: □ No	
65. Did you make any requests for testing accommodations for your students for the HiSET test in CY 2016?	
□ Yes → Go to Question 65a □ No → Go to Instruction below Question 65a	

65a. In the table below, please indicate the types and numbers of accommodations requested in CY 2016, the number of accommodation requests approved, and the average length of time to receive responses to approval requests.

	Types of Accommodation Requested for HiSET test	Number of Student Accommodation Requests for Accommodation Type	Number of Requests Approved	Average Length of Time to Receive Response to Accommodation Request
a.				
b.				
c.				
d.				
e.				

[Based on answers provided earlier regarding the different HSE tests the center offers their students, the online survey will direct respondents to complete Questions 66-82a if they offer the TASC; if they do not offer the TASC, they will skip to Question 83.]

SECTION 4: PRE-TEST REQUIREMENTS, TEST REGISTRATION, PASSING SCORES, TEST RESULTS, FULL BATTERY/INDIVIDUAL TEST REQUIREMENTS AND ACCOMMODATIONS: TASC

This next set of questions covers a wide range of testing issues that are specific to the TASC test. The first few questions are about any pre-tests that students are required by the state or local testing authorities to pass before they are allowed to take the official TASC test. These questions are not about your center policies or practices, nor about general guidelines, but about specific requirements imposed by other testing authorities.

66.	Are your students required by state or local testing authorities to pass an official TASC practice test before they are allowed to register for the actual TASC test?
	 □ Yes □ No → Go to Question 68
67.	Are the minimum passing score requirements for the TASC practice test higher than those required for the actual TASC test, which requires a minimum of 500 each on the Reading, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies subtests; a minimum of at least 500 on the Writing subtest and 2 out of 8 on the Writing essay; and 2,500 total?
	\square Yes \rightarrow 67a. Please describe the higher minimum passing score requirements (e.g., minimum score on each test, minimum overall score):
	□ No
68.	Are there any other tests that students are required by state or local testing authorities to pass at specific levels before they are allowed to take the official TASC test?
	□ Yes □ No → Go to Question 70

69. Please indicate in Column 1 below the additional tests that are required by state or local testing authorities for st	tudents to pass
and in Column 2 the minimum passing score requirements for each test.	

Column 1	Column 2
Additional Practice Tests or Other Tests Required by State or Local Testing Authorities	Minimum Passing Score Requirements
a.	
b.	
C.	

70	Are there any other state or local testing center requirements that your students must meet in order to take the official TASC test? Do not include preparation activities or other requirements that your center or your instructors may require students to complete before allowing them to test.
	 ☐ Yes → 70a. Please describe: ☐ No
71	. Are you allowed to register students on the same day that TASC testing is offered?
	□ Yes → Go to Question 73 □ No
72	. How much time prior to the testing date are you required to register students for them to be eligible to take the TASC test?
	□ Less than one week □ At least one week but less than two weeks □ At least two weeks but less than three weeks □ At least three weeks but less than four weeks □ Four weeks or more

73.	Do the national TASC minimum passing score requirements (i.e., a minimum of 500 each on the Reading, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies subtests; a minimum of at least 500 on the Writing subtest and 2 out of 8 on the Writing essay; and 2,500 total) apply to your students or do you primarily test in a state that has higher minimum passing score requirements?
	☐ The state uses the national TASC passing score requirements ☐ The state has higher minimum passing score requirements → 73a. Please describe below:
74.	On average, how long has it taken to obtain the TASC test results for your students?
	□ Less than one week □ At least one week but less than two weeks □ At least two weeks but less than one month □ At least one month but less than two months □ Two months or more
75.	Is there a minimum waiting period required by the state or testing site(s) before students can take a TASC re-test? If the only reason that a student has to wait is because the test is not offered very often or he/she had to wait to get the test results, this is not considered a formal waiting period.
	□ Yes □ No → Go to Question 79
76.	How long are your students required by the state or testing site to wait before they can take a TASC re-test?
	Number of days:
77.	Taking into account both how long it takes to get the TASC test results and the length of time between when TASC testing is offered at your testing sites, does the minimum waiting period serve to prevent students from being re-tested?
	□ Yes □ No → Go to Question 79

78.	How many students were prevented from taking a TASC re-test in CY 2016 because of the minimum waiting period?
	Number of students:
79.	When students take their <u>initial TASC test</u> , are they required to take the full battery of tests or may the initial test be taken as individual subject area tests?
	 □ Full battery of tests must be taken □ Subject area tests may be taken
80.	For students who fail their initial TASC test, must the <u>re-test</u> be taken as a full battery or may the student take individual subject area tests?
	 □ Full battery of tests must be taken □ Subject area tests may be taken
81.	Does your state or local testing site(s) have any requirements related to the order students must take the individual TASC subtests (e.g., can't take a particular test first/last, must take a particular test before/after another test)?
	□Yes → 81a. Please describe:
82.	Did you make any requests for testing accommodations for your students for the TASC test in CY 2016?
	□ Yes □ No → Go to Question 83

82a. In the table below, please indicate the types and numbers of accommodations requested in CY 2016, the number of accommodation requests approved, and the average length of time to receive responses to approval requests.

	Types of Accommodation Requested for TASC Test	Number of Student Accommodation Requests for Accommodation Type	Number of Requests Approved	Average Length of Time to Receive Response to Accommodation Request
a.				
b.				
c.				
d.				
e.				

SECTION 5: HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA (HSD) PROGRAMS IN CY 2016

The following questions are about High School Diploma (HSD) programs used by your center in <u>CY 2016</u>.

Traditional High School Programs:

83.	In CY 2016, could students receive a state accredited HSD by completing a <u>local</u> high school diploma program while enrolled at your center? This includes arrangements (e.g., co-enrollment agreements, memorandums of understanding, partnerships) your center has made with local schools, school districts or community colleges. Please <u>do not include online HSD programs</u> here as we ask about online programs below.
	 □ Yes □ No → Go to Question 85

84.	Which types of accredited high school diploma programs that allow students to complete a high school program and receive a diploma upon program completion did your center use in CY 2016? (Mark all that apply)
	\square A center high school program (That is, the Job Corps center itself is a state-accredited high school) \Rightarrow Go to Question 84b.1.
	□ A local high school diploma program, located on- or off-center, accredited by the state (or by the state's designated accrediting entity, for example the Northwest Accreditation Commission, AdvancED, etc.) and operated in partnership with the center through a School District, Charter High School, Traditional Public High School, Community/Technical College, Adult or Alternative High School, Private (not online) High School, or other entity. → Go to Question 84b.2.

84b.1. CENTER HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

In the table below, please indicate the approximate number of students enrolled prior to January 1, 2016 actively participating in your center high school diploma program in CY 2016, the approximate number of students that enrolled in your high school diploma program from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016, and the approximate number of students that completed your center high school program in CY 2016 while attending your center for each of the diploma types/tracks used by your center. The total numbers in the first two columns should be the approximate number of students at your center that were participating in a traditional high school diploma program at any time during CY 2016. The third column should indicate the number of students that attained a HSD in CY 2016 regardless of when they enrolled in a high school diploma program. Please do not include students enrolled in online high school programs here as we ask about online programs below.

Diploma type/track	Number of Students Enrolled Prior to January 1, 2016	Number of Students Enrolled During CY 2016	Number of Students Completed a HSD in CY 2016
Standard Diploma			
General Track			
Career Technical/Career Pathway Diploma			
College Prep Track/Diploma			
Modified Program/Diploma			
Special Education Diploma			
Other (specify type)			

84b.2. Please enter information about all local high school partnership programs your center uses below. Use the 'Add New' button to include information for additional partnership programs.

TYPE OF LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP	NAME OF LOCAL	ACCREDITING	DATE OF CURRENT
	HIGH SCHOOL	BODY	ACCREDITATION
	PARTNERSHIP		
[Add New]			

TRADITIONAL HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

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Type of High School Parthership
□ School District □ Charter High School □ Traditional Public High School □ Community/Technical College
 □ Adult or Alternative High School □ Private (not online) High School □ Other High School Type: Please specify type:
Name of Local High School Partnership:
Accrediting Body:
Date of Current Accreditation (MM/VVVV)

For the specific high school partnership/program listed above, please click 'Add New' below to indicate the approximate number of students enrolled prior to January 1, 2016 actively participating in a high school diploma program in CY 2016, the approximate number of students that enrolled in a high school diploma program from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016, and the approximate number of students that completed a high school program in CY 2016 while attending your center for each of the diploma types/tracks used by your center. After entering data for a diploma type/track, please return to the 'Add New' Button to enter data for all other diploma types/tracks your center uses with this high school partnership program.

Diploma type/track	Number of Students Enrolled Prior to January 1, 2016	Number of Students Enrolled During CY 2016	Number of Students Completed a HSD in CY 2016
Standard Diploma			
General Track			
Career Technical/Career Pathway Diploma			
College Prep Track/Diploma			
Modified Program/Diploma			
Special Education Diploma			
Other (specify type)			

85	. Were there any changes in the <u>local</u> (partnership) high school diploma programs available to students at your center that occurred in CY 2016?
	☐ Yes → Please describe the specific changes to local programs available to your students that occurred in CY 2016:
	□ No
86	. Do you anticipate having (or have you had) any changes to <u>local</u> high school diploma programs available to your students in the final six months of PY 2016 (i.e., January 1 – June 30, 2017)?
	 □ Yes □ No → Go to Question 87

86a. What changes to <u>local</u> high school diploma programs available to your students do you anticipate having (or have you had) in the final six months of PY 2016 (January 1 – June 30, 2017), and when will (or did) these changes take effect? For example, do you anticipate gaining or losing a partnership with a local community college or school district? Please list each anticipated or actual change, and indicate the month and day for when each change took (or will take) place.

Describe Anticipated/Actual Changes in	Anticipated/Actual Date of Changes
Local High School Diploma Programs January 1 – June 30, 2017	(Month/Day)
a.	
b.	
C.	

87	. Are there barriers to developing new partnerships for local high school diploma programs available to your students?
	☐ Yes → Please describe the barriers:
	□ No
<u>Or</u>	nline High School Programs
88	. In CY 2016, could students receive a state accredited HSD by completing an online high school diploma program remotely while attending your center?
	 □ Yes □ No →Go to Question 90

89. Which accredited online high school diploma programs that allow students to complete a high school program receive a diploma upon program completion did your center use in CY 2016? (Mark all that apply)			gram remotely and	
□ Pe □ Ja	ew Learning Resources Online: North New Sumenn Foster mes Madison Online High School (offered thro ther (please list)			
partic 2016 each appro third	19b. In the table below, please indicate the approximate number of students enrolled prior to January 1, 2016 actively participating in the online program, the approximate number of students that enrolled in the online program from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016, and the total approximate number of students that completed the online program in CY 2016 for each of the diploma types/tracks used by your center. The total of the numbers in the first two columns should be the approximate number of students at your center that were participating in the online program at any time during CY 2016. The hird column should indicate the number of students that attained a HSD in CY 2016 regardless of when they enrolled in the online program.			
	Diploma type/track	Number of Students Enrolled Prior to January 1, 2016	Number of Students Enrolled During CY 2016	Number of Students Completed a HSD in CY 2016
	General Track			
	Career Technical/Career Pathway Diploma			
	College Prep Track/Diploma			
	Other			
2016 □ Y€	ou anticipate having (or have you had) any char (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017)? es o → Go to Question 91	nges to <u>online</u> high school dip	oloma programs available	to your students in PY

90a. What changes to <u>online</u> high school diploma programs available to your students do you anticipate having (or have you had) in PY 2016 (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017), and when will (or did) these changes take effect? *Please list each online high school diploma program you expect to add or drop (or have added/dropped), and indicate the month, day and year for each change.*

Describe Anticipated/Actual Changes in Online High School Diploma Programs July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017	Anticipated/Actual Date of Changes (Month/Day/Year)
a.	
b.	
C.	

91. Are there barriers to adding new online high school diploma programs for your students?		
☐ Yes → Please describe the barriers:		
□ No		

Overall HSD Program Experiences for Students who Separated in CY 2016:

92. For students who **separated** in CY 2016, please indicate in the table below for each type of HSD program used by your center the number of students who attained an HSD through: 1) a center-accredited HSD program; 2) a local HSD partnership program(s); and 3) an accredited online HSD program(s).

For students who separated in CY 2016, please enter the number of students who	Number of Separated Students
attained an HSD through	
A center-accredited HSD program	
A local HSD partnership program(s)	
An accredited online HSD program(s)	

General High School Program Information for CY 2016:

93.	In CY 2016, did the primary state in which your students test automatically award a high school diploma to students who passed
	an HSE test?
	□ Yes
	□ No

SECTION 6: HSD PROGRAMS VERSUS HSE TESTING: STRATEGIES/APPROACHES

This set of questions focuses on gathering additional information about your current and planned HSD program versus HSE testing strategies and approaches to help your students prepare for and attain an HSD/HSE.

For each of the statements below, please indicate the extent to which you agree with the statement using the scale provided.

Statement	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
	1	2	3	4	5
94. Preparing students to take one or more of the HSE tests has been an important part of our offerings in PY 2016 to help students attain an HSD/HSE					
95. Online HSD programs have been an important part of our offerings in PY 2016 to help students attain an HSD/HSE					

96. Opportunities for students to attain an HSD through a			
local HSD program (e.g., at your center if it serves as a state-			
accredited high school, or through partnerships with local			
school districts, public schools, community/technical			
colleges, or charter schools) have been an important part of			
our offerings in PY 2016 to help students attain an HSD/HSE			
97. Our center plans to offer no (or very little) HSE testing in			
PY 2017			
98. Our center plans to offer no (or very few) online HSD			
programs to students in PY 2017			
99. Our center plans to offer no (or very few) opportunities			
for students to attain an HSD through a local HSD program			
(e.g., at your center if it serves as a state-accredited high			
school, or through partnerships with local school districts,			
public schools, community/ technical colleges, or charter			
schools) in PY 2017			

100. Please rank the order of importance of the following three academic strategies for your center in helping students attain an
HSD/HSE. Put a 1 next to the strategy that is most important, a 2 next to the strategy that is second most important and a 3 next to
the strategy that is third most important. For any of these strategies your center does not use, please enter a 9 next to it.

 a. Offering HSE testing options/opportunities to students
 b. Offering online HSD program options/opportunities to students
c. Offering options/opportunities for students to attain an HSD through a local HSD progr

101. For the following question, please consider your center's anticipated HSD/HSE plans for PY 2017 and rank the order of importance of the following three academic strategies for your center in helping students attain an HSD/HSE during PY 2017. Put a 1 next to the strategy that you believe will be most important, a 2 next to the strategy that you believe will be second most important and a 3 next to the strategy that you believe will be third most important. For any of these strategies your center does not plan to use during PY 2017, please enter a 9 next to it.
a. Offering HSE testing options/opportunities to students
b. Offering online HSD program options/opportunities to students
c. Offering options/opportunities for students to attain an HSD through a local HSD program
SECTION 7: ADDITIONAL FACTORS THAT MAY IMPACT STUDENT PERFORMANCE
102. Approximately what number of your center's current students (i.e., those who are enrolled at your center at this moment) are Limited English Proficient (LEP) or English Language Learners (ELLs). That is, students for whom English is not their primary language and they cannot communicate clearly in English, students who need an English interpreter, students who need language support in order to fully participate in the program, or students who self-identify as needing language assistance or instruction.
Number of Current LEP or ELL Students:
103. Approximately what number of your center's current students (i.e., those who are enrolled at your center at this moment) are enrolled in or have completed an English as a Second Language (ESL), English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), or English Language Learner (ELL) class?
Number of Current Students Enrolled in or Completed an ESL/ESOL/ELL class:
104. Approximately what number of students currently at your center (i.e., those who are enrolled at your center at this moment) have a documented disability (e.g., mobility, learning, vision, etc.)
Number of Current Students with a Documented Disability:

104a. Of all your center's current students with documented disabilities, please indicate in the table below the approximate number that have each type of disability. If a student has more than one type of disability, please include that student in each relevant disability category. The total for this table may exceed the total number of current students with a documented disability if there are students with multiple types of disabilities.

Category	Number (N)
Cognitive/Learning	
Medical	
Spectrum Disorder (e.g., Autism)	
Drug/Alcohol	
Mental Health/Emotional	
Sensory	
Physical/Mobility	
Other (please specify)	
TOTAL	

105.	What are the main barriers for your students achieving literacy gains, which influence your center's results on the OMS y gain performance measures? <i>Please be as specific as possible</i> .
106. numer	What are the main barriers for your students achieving numeracy gains, which influence your center's results on the OMS racy gain performance measures? <i>Please be as specific as possible</i> .

Final Comments	5
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In the space provided below, please feel free to provide additional information to supplement your responses to the quest above and/or additional information about barriers encountered by your center/state that weren't addressed in the surve questions but you feel would be helpful in establishing PY 2017 goals.	

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THE OMS FACTOR VERIFICATION SURVEY!

Please return this information by March 31, 2017 by entering your center's responses into the online survey (see attachments to the Program Instruction for 1) detailed instructions on how to access and complete the survey online and 2) your center-specific login information for the survey)

If you have any questions or would like to provide additional details about any of your responses, please contact Andrew Davis at davisah@battelle.org or 984-227-2154.