

F.A.Q.

About

Montana HiSET

Option Program

QUESTION #1: What curriculum can be use and what resources are out there for HiSET test curriculum?

ANSWER: Curriculum is up to the district, but there are many suggested curriculums out there, and ETS also has curriculum available, another good source could be an adult education center.

QUESTION #2: Are there any fees or other contributions that the school makes to be in the program?

ANSWER: There are no fees paid to OPI, the district must fund their own program.

QUESTION #3: For teacher certification what type of teacher must be in the classroom?

ANSWER: There must be a certified teacher of record for each curriculum area, but the instructor in the classroom is up to the district.

QUESTION #4: Is the HiSET assessment the new GED?

ANSWER: the HiSET will be replacing the GED on January 1, 2014.

QUESTION #5: What size of school is program for?

ANSWER: The Montana HiSET Option Program is for any school no matter the size, each district can adjust the program to fit their school.

QUESTION #6: Are the students in classes with the regular population?

ANSWER: No they would be in a different classroom when working on the Option Program. But for all other school requirements that you place on them they would be in with their classmates.

QUESTION #7: Does the district need a HiSET "room" for the students?

ANSWER: The HiSET Option Program needs to be delivered in a separate room.

QUESTION #8: Is there going to be a conference on this program?

ANSWER: Yes September 12, 2013, more information to follow.

QUESTION #9: How does the student graduate?

ANSWER: A student must complete all requirements in that student's contract with the district, including all Option Program requirements that are put in place by OPI. If they meet all requirements then they are allowed to participate in your district's graduation ceremony and also receive a diploma from your district (the same as any other graduate would receive from your district).

QUESTION # 10: What does the school need to have in place to have this program be part of this district?

ANSWER: Your district/school must meet the requirements listed in the guidelines and in the application. These must be in place the first day of the semester you are applying for.

QUESTION # 11: Is this considered an alternative education program and would our current alternative education program work to be a version of the option program?

ANSWER: The Option Program is not an alternative education program, it is not an alternative to your student's educational needs, it is a program that provides an alternative pathway for your student to graduate with their cohorts if they fulfill all requirements placed upon them.

QUESTION # 12: Does our school have to be part of the program at the beginning of the school year?

ANSWER: No your school does not have to be an option school by the start of the school year, schools can apply before the start of the second semester. Due dates are as follows.

1st semester: Last Friday of June.

2nd semester: Second Friday of November