



**ACE**  
 (ADULT CONTINUING  
 EDUCATION)

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**We Can Do It!**



After earning her GED, Brenda Blomquist said, "I can accomplish anything. I am no longer a dropout." She continued her education and earned an estiology degree.



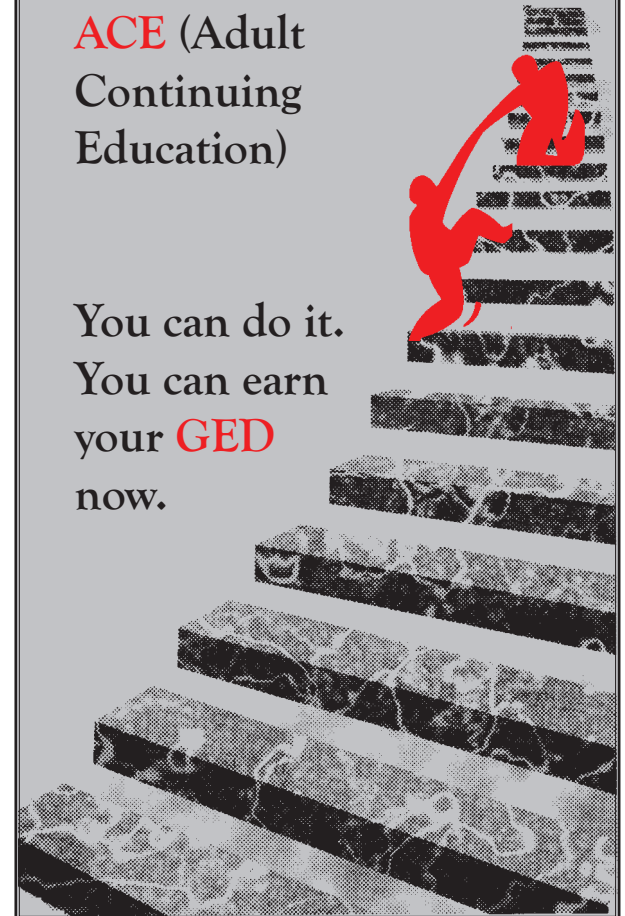
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*"At Centennial ACE the teachers and assistant make it fun and easy to study for your GED. If I can do it, you can too!"*  
 —Alejandra Banaszewski

To **believe**  
 is the first step  
 in making your  
 dreams come true

Make your next step  
 with **Centennial**  
**ACE** (Adult  
 Continuing  
 Education)

You can do it.  
 You can earn  
 your **GED**  
 now.



*"I put off studying for the GED for years because I didn't think I could do it. But with the help of Centennial ACE, I did! The packets made math easier to understand. I'm proud to be a GED graduate"—*  
**Megan Rauk**



**Don't feel you have to learn by yourself. ACE is here to help. ACE offers:**

- ✂ FREE assessment for students 16 and older who are not enrolled in school
- ✂ Help reviewing and improving skills in reading, writing and math for GED and ABE (Adult Basic Education) students. These skills are strongly connected to earning power.
- ✂ Easy to understand workbooks, books for checkout, and GED computer programs
- ✂ Encouragement and confidence
- ✂ Assistance earning an age waiver for learners under age 19.
- ✂ Brush up and practice tests for students preparing to take the college or technical school placement test, Accuplacer.
- ✂ A GED graduation complete with cap, gown, pomp and circumstance

**Did you know?**

95 percent of employers consider the GED the same as a high school diploma for hiring, salary, and advancement—American Council on Education/Society for Human Resource Management: 2002

97 percent of universities and colleges, including the University of Minnesota, accept the GED—American Council on Education/ College Board: 2001

## New online college preparation program offered

ACE now offers free, online college preparation through **Mindquest Academy (MQA)**.

Before attending college, MQA helps you:

- ✂ Learn and review basic academic skills
- ✂ Become familiar with expectations and how to be successful at college
- ✂ Explore career options.

MQA enrollment is open to those with a high school degree, a GED, or students currently enrolled in developmental (review) courses in community or technical colleges.

Choose which courses to take based on interests, goals, and experiences. MQA offers 22 courses in four areas:

- Career development
- Building skills for college
- College success
- Academic samplers

Students develop a one-to-one relationship with a state certified MQA teacher, who supports them in every step of the learning process through e-mail and regularly scheduled meetings. Students study online at ACE and at home, e-mailing in assignments.



**Two students help each other with Mindquest, an online college preparation course.**



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**Questions? Call 763-786-6501**

Individual tutoring and group presentation hours:

Mondays and Wednesdays, 9 a.m.–2 p.m.

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6–8:30 p.m.

Call to schedule your new student orientation, which will include a free 45-minute assessment to see if you're ready to pass one of the five GED tests.

**It was hard for Narene Pouv, who came from Cambodia eight years ago, to learn English. But she did and earned her GED. "Now I have a dream to become a pharmacist," said Narene.**



ACE is part of the Metro North ABE consortium.

**ACE Vision:** To provide programs and services that effectively develop the skills needed by students to achieve their goals.

**ACE Mission:** Inspire and challenge all learners to reach their full potential. In a safe supportive environment, we will teach the skills needed to succeed as responsible citizens in our changing world.