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GED Testing Service Files Federal Lawsuit to Protect Consumers

Dear Directors of State Adult Education,

As most of you know, nearly 800,000 adults take the GED® test each year on their path to better jobs, training, and education. Unfortunately, there are dishonest businesses online that offer fake GED® and high school diplomas, taking advantage of these well-intentioned adults.

GED Testing Service, in conjunction with ACE, has filed a federal lawsuit to shut down a network of fraudulent websites that are unlawfully using the GED® trademark. These sites mislead adult learners and award false high school equivalency and GED® test credentials. GED Testing Service has developed a public relations campaign to inform test-takers, third-party organizations, members of the media, GED Administrators™ and state adult education directors about the lawsuit. GED Testing Service went public with the suit this morning and was featured on The TODAY Show. You can watch the video here: <http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/21134540/vp/46819628#46819628>.

As part of the campaign, GED Testing Service has created the first online repository where educators and test-takers can report suspicious websites. Visit www.GEDtestingservice.com/fraud to learn more and read the press release.

Also, our public relations campaign includes a spokesperson who personifies the hundreds of adult learners who are scammed every day. Denise Richardson, of Beloit, WI, sadly fell victim to one of these fraudulent websites, but has now gone on to pass the official GED® test and is currently enrolled at her local technical college. She truly has a remarkable story and I'd like to thank the state of Wisconsin for connecting us with Denise.

If for any reason, you are asked a question regarding the lawsuit, please direct the inquiries to Armando Diaz, who is the public affairs specialist at GED Testing Service. Armando will be handling all questions and inquiries dealing with the lawsuit and I've included his full contact information below.

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Thanks for your support during this campaign.

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