Dear Colleague:

The Ohio Department of Higher Education, in collaboration with the Ohio Department of Education, created the advising tools included with this letter to assist teachers and students in navigating the adult high school diploma options available in Ohio. The Adult Diploma Options include:

- Adult Diploma Program (ADP)
- 22+ High School Diploma
- High School Equivalence (HSE)

The HSE option is the most readily available throughout Ohio. It is the responsibility of the local education provider to know which options are available in the community before referring students. For more details about these options, visit http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Testing/Ohio-Options-for-Adult-Diploma.

Adult Basic and Literacy Education (ABLE) programs, with class sites and distance education options throughout Ohio, have a major role in upskilling adults for success in any of the Diploma Options. To find a local ABLE program, visit https://www.ohiohighered.org/able/locations.

The key to the advising process is to provide information that empowers students to make choices that best meet their needs and aspirations. Thank you for your sincere efforts to help the one million adults in Ohio without a high school diploma find success.

Sincerely,

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ADULT DIPLOMA OPTIONS
(for students 22 yrs. old or older)

Inquiring Applicant meets with an Adult Options Preparation provider.

Determine the number of credits and assessments needed to complete high school. If 8 credits or less, 22+ is a viable option.

High school transcript available?

Discuss options:
1 - 22+*
2 - Aspire preparation
3 - Adult Diploma Program (ADP)
4 - High School Equivalency (HSE) Testing

Advise the student to obtain a transcript if 22+ program is of interest.

Applicant pursues 22+.

Student selects an option.

22+ HSE

Aspire/ADP

Evaluate the TABE scores.

Below 6th grade

6th grade or above

Aspire services while completing HSE testing.

Passed <2 WK Tests

Passed 2+ WK Tests

Evaluate WorkKeys.

Direct the applicant.

Schedule the candidate for ADP Advising.

Applicant is referred to ADP partner.

HSE Testing

Aspire preparation for HSE options.

Passed <2 WK Tests

Passed 2+ WK Tests

ADP.