TEST CONTENT

The HiSET exam includes five subtests that you can schedule to take in any order:

- **Language Arts-Reading**: 40 multiple-choice questions – 65 minutes
- **Language Arts-Writing**: Part 1- 50 multiple-choice questions - 75 minutes  
  Part 2- 1 Essay prompt – 45 minutes
- **Mathematics**: 50 multiple-choice questions - 90 minutes
- **Science**: 50 multiple-choice questions – 80 minutes
- **Social Studies**: 50 multiple-choice questions – 70 minutes

PASSING SCORES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- Achieve a score of at least 8 out of 20 on each of the five subtests
- Achieve a score of at least 2 out of 6 on the essay
- Have a total combined score on all five subtests of at least 45

STATE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To take the HiSET exam in the state of Massachusetts, you must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- **Age**: You must be 18 or older to be eligible to take the HiSET test in Massachusetts with no qualifications. If you are 16 or 17, you must bring the official letter of withdrawal from your last school of attendance. Failure to provide documentation will prohibit you from taking the exam.

- **School Enrollment Status**: You must **NOT** be enrolled in any secondary school program and must not have received a high school diploma or high school equivalency credential.

- **Residency**: You must be a resident of Massachusetts, living at a Massachusetts address. You will be required to sign an eligibility form verifying your address and bring it to the test center.

- **Identification**: You must present proper identification at the test center for each test session. Outdated or expired identification will not be accepted. Failure to provide documentation will prohibit you from taking the exam. The approved identification documents include:
  
  - A valid passport
  - A valid driver's license from any state
  - A state-issued ID card
  - National ID card
  - Military ID card