

Texas Representative Roberto R. Alonzo's



Capitol Report



Planning to Take Your GED But Cannot Afford the Fees? An Atmos Scholarship Can Help!

Are you studying for and planning to take your GED, but cannot afford the necessary fees to take it? There is help out there if you enroll in one of the many Dallas Public Library partners and request an application to apply for the Atmos Scholarship and then submit all the required paperwork to the e-mail listed below. As today's work market becomes more competitive, many employers are requiring an a minimum at least a high school diploma or a GED. Take advantage of this great opportunity and enroll today. It is never too late to go back to school and further your education while at the same time opening more door for employment or advancement your current career.

Atmos Energy GED Testing Center

- The Atmos Energy GED Testing Center is located on the 3rd floor of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young Street, Dallas, TX 75201.
- Adults who are interested in testing are encouraged to enroll in a Dallas Public Library GED preparation class in-person or online or enroll in a GED preparation course through one of our many partners. Once you are ready to test, register for an account on www.GED.com find the "J. Erik Jonsson Central Library" on the list of locations and schedule yourself to take one or all of the GED subject tests. Scholarships for testing fees are available to all GED ready students attending a library GED class or a GED class from one of our community partners.

GED Test Scholarships

Thanks to a generous donation from Atmos Energy, the Dallas Public Library is offering GED Test Scholarships to students meeting the following qualifications:

- **Submit a completed Dallas Public Library GED Test Scholarship Application and email it to literacy@dallaslibrary2.org.**

Upon review and approval of your Dallas Public Library GED Test Scholarship Application, students will be notified and provided a test voucher number. **Please call 214-671-8291 if you have questions.**

- For a complete guide to all the testing sites also visit the Dallas Public Library website <https://dallaslibrary2.org/literacy/ged.php#community>



In this photo we see Rep. Alonzo with Bill Hamilton and Elizabeth Blount the President and Legislative Director, respectively of the Retired State Employees Association. As Vice Chair of the Pensions committee Rep. Alonzo has the pleasure of working with many retirees.



Social Work students Victoria Shaw, Sandra Garcia, Vandala Hood, Jessie Boswell and Tesney Ake from Tarleton State University are seen holding Rep. Alonzo's name plaque. They visited with our office to discuss access to resources for Veterans who are in school. Rep. Alonzo's bill HB 450 would establish a Veteran resource center at certain institutions of higher education. Other social work student groups who also dropped by the office on behalf of Texas Social Work Advocacy Day were from U.T Arlington and Texas Women's University.

Interesting Facts: Did you know that there were 80,541,000 Texas-Mexico Border Crossings in 2014? And 99.7% of those crossings were legal or authorized.

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