During the past two years, 29 jail inmates earned a GED while incarcerated, and hundreds more participated in preparation classes.

The Corrections Bureau supports General Education Diploma (GED) preparation and testing for medium and minimum security inmates who did not complete high school as a promising strategy to reduce jail recidivism. Watsonville Aptos Adult Education works with student-inmates at the Rountree facilities, while Santa Cruz Adult School works with student-inmates at the Main Jail and Blaine Street facilities.

## Student-Inmate Comments:

- "This is the first time I have been proud of myself in a long time."
- "This is my best class ever."
- "I want to beat the highest score."
- "I never thought I could learn math."
- "I want to go to college."



**Rountree Graduation Ceremony**