

ATI TEAS Testing: Information & Instructions

What is the ATI TEAS?

The ATI TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills) is designed to assess students' preparedness prior to entering the health care field. Studies show a consistent link between a student's performance on the TEAS and future academic success.

TEAS is a program-entry requirement for all students seeking entry in the Associate Degree Nursing, Practical Nursing, Respiratory Care, and Occupational Therapy Assistant programs at PTC. Please review your program's current Fact Sheet for specific requirements and discuss any questions you have with your academic advisor.

For information about the content of the ATI TEAS: Version 7, please refer to the [information](#) on the ATI website.

What parts of the TEAS are required by PTC?

- Although the ATI TEAS contains four sections, PTC only requires that you take the READING and MATH sections. The Science and Language usage sections are NOT required.
- While the cost and test will not change based on how many sections you want/need to take, you can choose to skip certain sections. You can opt to take only the Reading or Math portions of the test.

How can I prepare for the TEAS?

- The biggest mistake students make on the TEAS exam is not taking enough time to prepare for it.
- Information about test content and types of questions is available on the ATI website
- Study materials are available for purchase via the online store on the [ATI Testing site](#) and other vendors.
- Additional practice questions and information regarding TEAS are available on the [Registered Nursing Website](#).
- The library at the Greenwood Campus (and each of the Learning Resource Centers (LRCs) at the county campuses) has a copy of the ATI Teas Study Manual on reserve for review. Interested students can use these materials while in the library or one of the LRCs; these study materials are for campus use only.

Where can I take the TEAS?

- All TEAS testing will be completed remotely using your own computer. Students take the exam at home and are proctored remotely via webcam and microphone.

Registering for the ATI TEAS

- To register for the ATI TEAS Online Remote Proctored Exam, go to <https://shop.atitesting.com/teas/teas-online>. If you have not taken the TEAS before, you will need to create an account before registering for the test.
- The test is the same for nursing and allied health students. You can choose either one.
- You have two options for scheduling your TEAS testing:
 1. Remote Proctor by PTC: PTC sponsors TEAS testing for our students on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Students may sign up for 8:30 am, 12:30 pm or 4:30 pm testing times. For TEAS Proctor-Program Type, select INSTITUTION REMOTE PROCTOR and enter the information to select Piedmont Technical College.
 2. Remote Proctor by ATI: Additional testing dates and times are available through ATI proctoring for a slightly higher fee. For TEAS Proctor-Program Type, select ATI REMOTE PROCTOR

How will my scores be reported to PTC?

- Proctored by PTC: If you selected Institution Remote Proctor with Piedmont Technical College, your TEAS transcript that was included in your TEAS Exam registration is **automatically sent** to PTC. You don't have to take any actions, that transcript is automatically uploaded into your school's database.
- Remote Proctor by ATI: If you selected ATI Remote Proctor, you will receive one complimentary transcript with your registration and may choose the school in which to submit this official transcript. You may send the transcript following the completion of your TEAS exam by logging into your student account at www.atitesting.com/login and selecting SEND TRANSCRIPT under TEAS ACTIVITY or by selecting the MY RESULTS tab and clicking SEND TRANSCRIPT below your scored proctored TEAS exam results.

What are the minimum scores required by PTC?

- ADN, LPN, and RES: Minimum score of 65% or higher in both the Reading and Math sections.
Note: This is the minimum score to be eligible to apply for the clinical portion of these programs. Meeting minimum TEAS scores does NOT guarantee program acceptance.
- OTA requires the TEAS but has no minimum score. Scores greater than 65% will earn points on the OTA program application.

Can I retake the TEAS to get a better score?

- There is no limit to the number of times you can take the TEAS, but you must pay the test fee each time.
- You may not take the test more than once per day.
- PTC will use your highest Reading and Math scores for your health care application. Your highest scores do not have to be from the same testing session.

When will my scores be available in the PTC system?

- Scores will be available to you on the ATI website immediately upon completion of the test and will be loaded into PTC's database manually by the testing center when received. (see **How will my scores be reported to PTC?** for more information about how to submit scores)
- To avoid delays in your scores being added to your PTC student record, please be sure to include your P# when you register for the test.
- If you took the TEAS test through another school, please email your scores to our testing center at testingcenter@ptc.edu. Be sure to include your name and PTC student ID number.

How do I confirm that my test scores have been added to my PTC Student Record?

- Test scores can be viewed in PTC Pathway. Click on the Student tab and then on Student Profile/Tools. Uploaded scores will appear under Prior Education and Testing.
- Please allow a reasonable period for your test scores to be posted in the PTC system. If your test scores do not appear in Pathway or there is an error, please contact the Testing Center at 864-941-8748.

How long are my TEAS scores valid at PTC?

- TEAS scores are valid for three years from the date of testing.
- Only scores still valid on the date the program application period closes will be considered.

What if I need accommodations?

- If you need accommodations due to a documented disability, please contact Brenda Dailey (107A, 864-941-8378) prior to registering for the TEAS test. Disability Services requires documentation to support the need for specific accommodations.
- For additional information about accommodations, please refer to the [Student Disability Services](#) information on the PTC website.