See the Health Science & Nursing Resources webpage for HOBET V test date information:  
www.ptc.edu/hsresources  
Test times are 8:30am, 11:30am, & 4:30pm  
Testing offered at two campus locations: Greenwood and Laurens  
Testing spots are limited. Schedule your test early and keep your test date.

Test Sections: Mathematics and Reading  
Time Limit: 109 minutes (Mathematics = 51 minutes; Reading = 58 minutes)  
Format: Four-option multiple choice; calculators are not permitted  
Attempt Policy: Two attempts within a 12-month period

Score requirements for Nursing: 65% or higher in both mathematics and reading; scores are valid for four years. Higher HOBET scores may earn the student points on the ADN application or the merit application for the PN program.

Health Science programs: Health Science Associate Degree and diploma seeking students may take HOBET to gain additional Merit points. An average of the two test scores will be used to award Merit points. For example, a mathematics score of 90% and a reading score of 80% would be a Merit score of 85%.

Preparation:  
• A study guide is available for purchase in the Campus Bookstore, located on the Greenwood campus.  
• Study guides are also on reserve in the Information Commons (Library) on the Greenwood campus and at all campus locations. Online study information may be available, but be sure to review only information relating to HOBET V, as this is the test version we use.  
• Students preparing for the HOBET may seek tutoring through the Tutoring Center, located in 178K.  
• Continuing Education offers a Review Course once a semester. Contact Continuing Education for more information.

To Schedule:  
1. Pay testing fee of $35 to any college campus. The fee must be paid prior to scheduling the test. Do not pay and schedule if you are unsure you will take the test as the fee is NON-REFUNDABLE!  
2. After payment of the testing fee, schedule your testing appointment by completing the HOBET test appointment request form online. If you plan to test at the Laurens campus, contact them at (864) 938-1505.  
Note: Testing space is limited. Be sure to schedule your test early and keep your appointment time.

Test Day:  
• Report to your testing site: Greenwood campus - Information Commons (Library) in 205K or the Laurens campus  
• Plan to arrive 15 minutes early to the testing site and be sure to bring a photo ID with you. Late arrivals may have to reschedule their testing appointment. Testing will begin promptly at scheduled time.  
• Scores will be available immediately upon completion of the test and will be loaded into college database.

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After the test, students will receive a score report which will include all scores and any area of weakness revealed while testing. The main scores from the two sections completed (mathematics and reading) will be printed in bold. These will be the scores that will be considered for program entry and Merit points.

For students wishing to enter a Nursing program at Piedmont Technical College, these two scores must be 65% or higher for entry consideration.

**Note to Nursing Students:** Even if a student meets the minimum score in both mathematics and reading sections, they may still have some areas of relative weakness in various sub-areas. To enhance the chance for success in a Nursing program, students should work to improve on identified areas of weakness.

**Note to Health Science Students:** For students attempting to receive Merit points, the average of the two scores will determine your total Merit score. This average must be 85% or higher.

What if my score doesn’t meet the minimum for Nursing?
Since each section of the test is scored individually, students testing for entry into a nursing program will have the opportunity to take one or both sections as needed on a second attempt. If only one section is below minimum, a student may decide to only re-test in that section. The full testing fee will be required for re-testing, whether a student re-takes one or both sections.

The score report, received after testing, will show specific areas of weakness. Students may use the HOBET V study guide on reserve or purchase a study guide from the Campus Bookstore to help strengthen these particular weak areas. Other options available through the TLC are the Learning Express, math center, and individualized tutoring. The TLC can provide students with a handout of specific online sites that may be used to strengthen skills.

**Additional Merit Information:**
Students striving to reach a higher Merit score will have the same opportunity for one re-test in a twelve month period. When determining the Merit score for program entry, the calculated score will be established by averaging the highest mathematics score and the highest reading score within a four year period.