



Nursing Program Admissions Test (ATI-TEAS®) Fact Sheet for Students



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The ATI TEAS® is an assessment used to effectively identify applicants with the foundational knowledge required for successful entry into nursing programs. Research has shown students with a higher preparedness category (Proficient, Advanced, and Exemplary) perform better academically in their first semester of nursing courses. For this reason, all students applying to the nursing program must pass the ATI TEAS® with a Proficient or higher.

Five Steps to ATI TEAS Success

I. Know when and where to register.

a. Create an Account with ATI prior to your test date

1. Go to www.atitesting.com (Firefox is the recommended browser to use).
2. In the Secure Sign On area click on “Create an account”.
3. When a new screen opens, fill in all your blue fields. Blue fields are required to create your account. In the “Institution” field select “Danville Area CC ADN”. Please also enter your DACC student ID number. You must do this before you can test.
4. Write down your User Name and Password and SAVE in a safe place. You will not be able to take the ATI TEAS® test without them and you will use them throughout the nursing program.
5. Click the “Register” button; wait for the progress bar to complete. You are DONE creating your ATI account!
6. STOP!! Do not go any further.

b. Secure a Credit card or Debit card prior to your test date

1. On the day you test, you must have either a credit card or debit card to pay for the TEAS. Cash or checks will not be accepted.
2. Debit cards can be purchase at Casey’s General Store, Walgreens CVS, and many other locations. For a list you can visit: <http://usa.visa.com/locators/reloadable-locations.jsp> .
3. Cost of the Test and to re-test is \$ 55.00

c. Select a date and time for the test

1. Contact the Assessment Center to schedule a date and time to test at 217-443-8708.

II. Get a Study Guide

- a. ATI TEAS® Review Manual, 6th edition to assist in content review and practice tests. Make sure you get the 6th edition. ISBN-13 978-1565335646 This book is available for purchase online at www.atitesting.com
- b. ATI TEAS® Secrets Study Guide: TEAS 6 6th edition. ISBN-13 978-1516703838
- c. Available from other vendors such as Amazon.com. Do an internet search.
- d. Take online practice tests: <https://atitesting.com/Solutions/PreNursingSchool/TEAS.aspx>

III. Create a Study Routine

- a. This establishes a study habit
- b. Your brain anticipates this time

IV. Know what type of learning you are and play to your strengths.

1. Auditory
2. Visual
3. Kinetic

V. Practice-practice-practice

- a. Use your study guide to practice for your exam
 1. Study someplace quiet
 2. Time yourself
 3. Get used to sitting
 4. Do the last practice test a few days before testing
- b. Why you need to practice
 1. To assess yourself
 2. To see progress
 3. To find your weak areas

How we use the score to predict your success in the Nursing Program. We want you to succeed so we accept Proficient and above.

Basic	The test taker needs minor improvements needed before being prepared to enter nursing school
Proficient	The test taker is ready to enter into nursing school
Advanced	The test taker will most likely do well in nursing school
Exemplary	The test taker will have little to no trouble gaining a nursing degree

DAY OF THE TEST

Plan to arrive 15 minutes prior to scheduled test time to check in, sign on to ATI and pay for the test. The test is timed and will take approximately 3 ½ hours to complete.

Bring:

- Valid Photo ID
- ATI User name and password
- Credit or debit card
- Calculators of any kind are NOT permitted

AFTER THE TEST

Print 2 copies of the score report: One for your records and one to submit with your application.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is on the test?

- There are 4 components of the ATI TEAS®
- Reading, Math, Science, and English/Language Usage.

Component	Number of questions	Time limit
Reading 31% Key Ideas and Details Craft & Structure Integration of Knowledge & ideas Unscored	53 Total 22 14 11 6	64 min
Math 22% Numbers & Algebra Measurement & Data Unscored	36 Total 23 9 4	54 min
Science 31% Human Anatomy & Physiology Life & Physical Sciences Scientific Reasoning Unscored	53 Total 32 8 7 6	63 min
English & Language Usage 16% Conventions of Standard English Knowledge of Language Vocabulary Acquisition Unscored	28 Total 9 9 6 4	28 min
There are 20 unscored pretest questions	170 Total	Total time limit 209 minutes

What is the question format?

- The questions are all multiple choice.

How many times can I attempt the ATI TEAS®?

- Student may have 2 attempts per application period with a 30 day waiting period between attempts.

When can I re-test?

- You may re-test after a 30 day waiting period and when there is a seat available on a scheduled testing date. Cost to re-test is \$55.00

Can I use a calculator for the math portion?

- Yes, they are embedded in the online version of the exam.

When will I get my tests results?

- Right after the test is completed.

Will DACC accept ATI TEAS® scores taken at another location?

- Yes, if you received a Proficient or better and it is current within the past two years.

How long is the ATI TEAS® test score good for?

- It is good for two years.