

Policy Category: Administrative

Policy Title: Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) Policy

Purpose:

The Holy Name Sister Claire Tynan School of Nursing requires the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) as part of the School of Nursing admission process to measure entry-level academic readiness of nursing program applicants. The TEAS® administered through Assessment Technologies Institute (ATI) is a standardized computer-based exam which measures basic essential skills in the academic content areas of reading, mathematics, science, and English and language usage.

Procedure:

- The Teas Test Administration Schedule for the School of Nursing can be accessed on the on the Holy Name Medical Center Sister Claire Tynan School of Nursing website under the TEAS tab.
- The Holy Name Medical Center testing site for the ATI TEAS exam is reserved for Holy Name Medical Center Sister Claire Tynan School of Nursing applicants only.
- Register using HOLY NAME MEDICAL CENTER as the school identification name for registration.
- The ATI TEAS exam is designed to assess the applicant's preparedness to enter a nursing program.
- The TEAS score will be utilized to rank eligible applicants who have submitted complete applications for admission consideration into the desired program track. TEAS scores will be ranked highest to lowest based on the number of completed applications received. The number of applicants admitted is dependent on the number of available seats in each program track for the academic year.
- Applicants achieving a total score of 60% or higher on the ATI TEAS exam are eligible to submit an application for the RN or LP-RN Programs. The minimum TEAS score for admission consideration for the LPN Program is 50%.
- If a total score of 60% or higher is not achieved on the TEAS, the applicant has the option to re-take the TEAS exam (50% for LPN program). The re-take date must be at least 30 days from the previous attempt. During the 30-day wait period, it is highly recommended students remediate if a score of lower than 60% is achieved. ATI offers a Focused Review free of charge focusing on the areas where improvement is needed.
- The frequency for taking the TEAS exam is limited to three (3) attempts in one year from the date of initial testing. There is no lifetime limit for taking the exam.
- ATI does not offer refunds or permit rescheduling of the TEAS exam if an applicant is not able to test as scheduled.
- Applicants will register for the exam online through ATI after creating an ATI user account. Once an ATI account is established applicants can register for the TEAS test date of their choice.
- Applicants will need a valid state or government issued ID (valid driver license or passport) plus their ATI username and password to the exam in order to test.

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- TEAS scores will be available to applicants immediately following the exam through your ATI account.
- TEAS scores are valid for two years from TEAS test date to application submission.
- If an applicant tests outside of the Holy Name Testing site, they will be required to purchase a TEAS transcript through the ATI website and indicate “Holy Name” as their institution on the transcript request. ATI will send the transcript electronically to the School of Nursing.
- A four function calculator (addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division) is built into the online TEAS exam.
- Holy Name will accept TEAS test results completed through **in person testing** only. **No online proctored exam scores will be accepted.**
- A study guide for the TEAS exam is available in ATI’s online store or from secondary vendor sites. It is highly recommended applicants review the study guide before taking the exam. Other TEAS study resources are available for purchase through ATI’s online store under TEAS. There are a variety of other TEAS test prep resources available on the internet, including web-based practice questions.
- The cost for the ATI TEAS exam for the Holy Medical Center School of Nursing is \$93.00 per testing administration.
- No refunds are granted once registration is submitted. No rescheduling is permitted once registration is submitted.