TEAS Testing Guidelines

TEAS testing is required for entrance to the nursing (Tracks 1 - 4), practical nursing, and radiography programs at Virginia Highlands Community College (VHCC).

- TEAS tests may be taken 3 times within an application period with a recommended 2 weeks to 30 days wait between retakes to allow time to remediate.
- TEAS test scores are valid for 5 years for application to VHCC programs.
- If VHCC is closed due to unforeseeable circumstances on the date of the scheduled test, the testing date will be rescheduled.
- The TEAS test consists of four sections and 170 questions, Reading (39 questions, 55 minutes), Science (44 questions, 60 minutes), Math (34 questions, 57 minutes), and English (33 questions, 37 minutes). There are also 20 unscored questions divided among each of the four subjects. Each section is timed with a total test time of 209 minutes.
- TEAS question types include multiple-choice, multiple-select, fill-in-the-blank numeric, hot-spot and ordered-response.
- Calculators are not allowed for the math portion unless embedded in the test.
- Results are available immediately after completing the test.

Register with ATI

Before the scheduled test date, create an account with ATI at www.atitesting.com. Click the “Create Account” link and proceed with prompts. Record the user name and password and have this login information available for the test day.

When creating a new account at the ATI web site, from the “Institution” drop down, choose:
- VA Highlands CC RN for RN applicants
- VA Highlands CC PN for Practical Nursing applicants
- VA Highlands CC AH for those who are taking the TEAS for Radiography

Preparing for the TEAS Test

You are strongly encouraged to study in preparation for taking the ATI TEAS test. See TEAS Study Resources at www.vhcc.edu/medical-program-applications.

Scheduling a TEAS Test at VHCC

Use the “Schedule a TEAS Test” link at www.vhcc.edu/medical-program-applications under the “TEAS Testing” heading. Complete this form to register for a date and time to take your TEAS Test for the nursing (Tracks 1 - 4), PN (Practical Nursing) or AH (Allied Health) for Virginia Highlands Community College.

Within 48 business hours (excluding holidays, breaks or college closings) after you complete and submit the form, a confirmation email will be sent to the email you provided on this form along with further instructions.

All testing sessions are conducted in-person and on-campus in the VHCC Testing Center located in the VHCC Learning Resources Center in the LRC building.
Submitting TEAS Scores (Individual Performance Profile)

Please follow the program’s guidelines for submitting TEAS Scores (Individual Performance Profile) with your application.

- Scores may be accessed at any time in the student’s ATI account at [http://www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com)
- Under the main menu, click on My Results
- Click on the exam attempt and then select Download Report (the report should look similar to the sample below).
- When applying to a program PN and RN applicants can use the either the PN or ADN TEAS. Radiography students can use any TEAS test – RN, PN or AH (Allied Health).

TEAS Requirements by Program

1. **Practical nursing applicants** must have a minimum score of **40th national percentile** to qualify (please see sample ATI score for PN students below).

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Math Competency - If using the TEAS test for proof of math competency for the PN program, the Math National Percentile Rank (MNP) must be 40% or more (see arrow labeled MNP above to locate score).
2. **Nursing applicants (Tracks 1-4)** must have a minimum score of 45th national percentile to qualify (see sample ATI score for ADN (Associate Degree Nursing - RN) students below.

![Sample ATI TEAS Score](image)

The arrow above is pointing to the National Percentile Rank (NPR). This must be 45% or above to qualify for consideration of admission to the VHCC RN or LPN-RN Transition programs.

**Math competency** - If using the TEAS test for proof of math competency for the RN program, the Math Score (MS) must be 65% or more OR the Math National Percentile Rank (MNP) must be 45% or more. See arrow labeled MS and MNP above to locate scores.

3. **Radiography applicants** can submit any TEAS test (Allied Health, PN or ADN). The Radiography program uses Total Score for program entry, not National Percentile. There is no minimum qualifying score.

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