

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 <u>www.atitesting.com</u>. 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 <u>www.vhcc.edu/medical-program-applications</u>.

Scheduling a TEAS Test at VHCC

Use the "Schedule a TEAS Test" link at <u>www.vhcc.edu/medical-program-applications</u> 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.

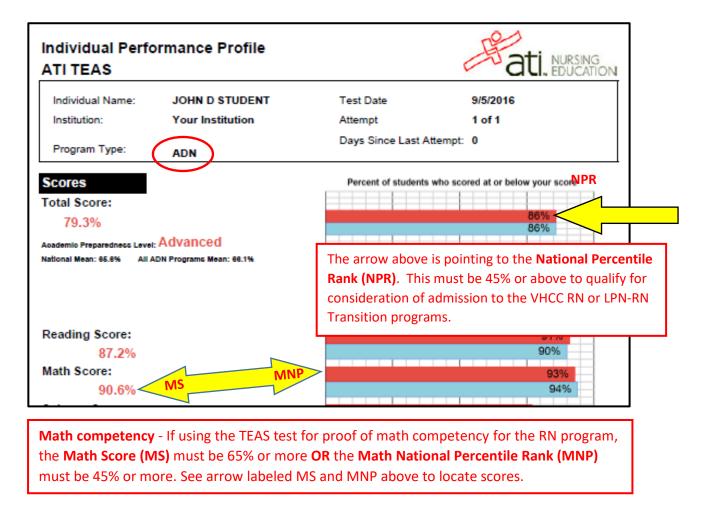
- Scores may be accessed at any time in the student's ATI account at http://www.atitesting.com
- Under the main menu, click on My Results
- Click on the exam attempt and then select **Download Report** (the report should look similar to the sample below).
- When applying to a program PN and RN applicants 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

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

Individual Performance Profile	ati, NURSING
ATI TEAS	EDUCATION
Individual Name:JANE D STUDENTInstitution:Your InstitutionProgram Type:PN	Test Date9/6/2016Attempt2 of 2Days Since Last Attempt:34
Scores Total Score: 55.3% Academic Preparedness Level: Basic National Mean: 65.6% All PN Programs Mean: 58.4%	Percent of students who scored at or below your score 23% NPR 44 44 The arrow above is pointing to the National Percentile Rank (NPR). This must be 40% or more to qualify for consideration of admission to the VHCC PN program.
Reading Score:	39%
68.1%	56%
Math Score:	6% MNP
40.6%	12%

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). 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.



3. <u>Radiography applicants</u> 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.