

TEAS Exam Information

Prospective students can register for the TEAS exam through www.atitesting.com by creating a student account and purchasing the exam through the ATI online store.

The TEAS exam is offered at Pennsylvania College of Technology several times each semester. See the ATI online store for a list of available testing dates and locations. ***Note: If you take the TEAS exam at a location other than Penn College, you will need to request a copy of your TEAS transcript be sent to the Admission's office here at Penn College. Additional fees will be required.***

Students may take the TEAS exam up to **three (3) times**, with a *minimum* of 30 days between attempts, in a *one year time period*. The TEAS exam score is valid for one year.

TEAS exam scores must be submitted to the Penn College Admission's office prior to the identified selection due dates: Deadline for fall selection is June 1st and the deadline for spring selection is December 1st.

It is *strongly recommended* that students prepare and remediate for the TEAS exam to have the best chance of reaching the desired score.

TEAS Frequently Asked Questions

What does TEAS stand for?

TEAS stands for Test of Essential Academic Skills. It is a standardized admissions test used by many nursing schools to evaluate potential candidates for possible acceptance into their program. The TEAS exam assesses knowledge and skills in reading, math, science and English language use.

What is the cost to take the TEAS exam?

Penn College charges an \$80 fee to take the TEAS exam at Penn College. This fee will vary by institution and location.

May I take the TEAS exam somewhere other than Penn College?

Yes. Students may take the TEAS exam at any location listed on the ATI online store. However, additional fees are required to transfer the exam results to Penn College.

What happens if I do not take the TEAS exam or do not achieve the benchmark score?

Priority for admission is given to students who meet all of the identified selection criteria. If a student does not reach the benchmark score, the student will not be competitive for admission. Students can take the TEAS exam ***up to 3 times (with at least 30 days between attempts) in a one-year time period*** in an attempt to reach the desired benchmark.

What happens if I take the TEAS exam less than 30 days apart?

If a student takes the TEAS exam prior to the 30 day wait period between attempts, that particular score will not be considered during the selection process.

If I sign up to take the TEAS exam and do not show up on that day and time, do I get a refund?

No. Refunds are not given if a student does not show up for exam at scheduled date and time.

What happens if I am late to the TEAS exam?

If a student arrives at the TEAS exam testing location *after* the proctor has read the required instructions, the student will not be permitted to take the exam.

When should I take the TEAS exam?

To be considered for fall selection into the practical nursing, associate degree in registered nursing and bachelor degree in registered nursing majors, the deadline for submitting the TEAS exam results is June 1st. To be considered for spring selection into the bachelor degree in registered nursing and the LPN-RN major, the deadline for submitting the TEAS exam results is December 1st.

How do I prepare for the TEAS exam?

It is very important to be *prepared* for the TEAS exam. If you are a Penn College student, the Madigan library has TEAS preparation materials that may be utilized and signed out. Students may also purchase preparation materials through the ATI online store at <https://www.atitesting.com/teas-prep.aspx>.

When will I get my official TEAS exam score?

Students will receive their TEAS exam score immediately upon completion of the exam.

How do I remediate and prepare to retake the TEAS exam?

After taking the TEAS exam, the student will have access to a personalized focused review, which will be located in the student's ATI account. To access the focused review, the student will log into their ATI account at www.atitesting.com. Then, click on the 'MyATI' tab followed by clicking on the 'Learn' tab. The focused review will include topics that the student missed on the TEAS exam. The student should review all of the topics that were missed on the previous TEAS exam. In addition, the student should consider reviewing other TEAS preparation materials prior to retaking the TEAS exam.

If I take the TEAS exam and score at or just above benchmark, should I retake the exam?

If a student reaches the required benchmark, the student is not required to retake the exam. However, if the score just reaches the benchmark, the student may consider retaking the exam in an attempt at reaching a higher score and being more competitive for selection.

What is the cost to retake the TEAS?

The cost to retake the TEAS exam at Penn College is \$80. This fee may vary by institution.