



Nursing

NURSING ADMISSIONS TEST INFORMATION

Candidates seeking admission to the Piedmont Community College (PCC) Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) program are required to complete the ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) nursing entrance exam. Applicants who achieve a minimum overall score (“Adjusted Individual Total Score”) of 65 will be given priority admission consideration over those who score lower than the benchmark, as these scores have been demonstrated to correlate with students successfully completing nursing programs. Applicants will be limited to three (3) attempts within a 6-month period and must have at least a two-week remediation period between attempts. The highest overall score within the 6-month period before the application deadline will be used to determine eligibility for admission based on the PCC Nursing program selection criteria. For more information on the Admissions Point System, refer to the [PCC ADN Program Admissions Policy](#).

ATI TEAS (Version 7) Content Information

The TEAS measures basic essential skills in the academic content area domains of reading, math, science, English, and language use. The objectives assessed are relevant to measure entry-level academic readiness of prospective PCC nursing students. The TEAS is a 209-minute timed assessment that features 170 questions (20 pre-test questions are unscored). The questions may be formatted as multiple choice, multiple select, fill in the blank, hot spot, or ordered response. The chart below shows the time limits and number/percentage of test questions by respective content area.

Content Area	Number of Questions	% of Test Questions	Section Time Limit
Reading	45	26%	55 minutes
Math	38	23%	57 minutes
Science	50	29%	60 minutes
English & Language Use	37	22%	37 minutes
TOTAL	150	100%	209 minutes

Specific Content Covered (# of questions)

Reading: Key ideas and details (15), Craft and structure (9), Integration of knowledge and ideas (15)

Math: Numbers and algebra (18), Measurement and data (16)

Science: Human anatomy and physiology (18), Biology (9), Chemistry (8), Scientific reasoning (9)

English and Language Use: Conventions of standard English (12), Knowledge of language, Using language and Vocabulary to express ideas in writing (10)

Admissions Test Pricing

- The TEAS will be administered on the PCC campus on the dates and times posted on the PCC Nursing [website](#). Applicants will pay for the exam with a credit/debit card immediately prior to the start of the exam.
 - Cost: \$70
- The TEAS may also be taken online with remote (at-home) proctoring by ATI. Use this [link](#) for that option.
 - Cost: for \$120
- If an applicant has taken the TEAS (Version 7) in the six months preceding the admissions application deadline, they may purchase a TEAS Transcript Credit and have their TEAS transcript sent to **Piedmont CC NC ADN** for admissions consideration.
 - Cost: \$29.99 (See this [link](#) for more information about TEAS transcripts.)

Admissions Test Preparatory Resources

To maximize their overall and content area scores, applicants are recommended to review, study, and prepare to take the TEAS. There are several resources available to students, including a study guide from the creators of the exam, which can be found [here](#). There is also a mobile app available [here](#) with free and premium versions that include more than 2,300 practice questions. It may also be helpful for applicants to review [these](#) prep tips before taking the exam.

Scheduling an Exam

1. All applicants preparing to take the TEAS test must create an ATI account prior to their scheduled test date. Applicants may create an account by visiting ATI's [website](#), selecting the "Create Account" tab, and following the instructions on the screen.
2. Account creation will require a username, password, contact information, date of birth, address, telephone number, etc. Applicants will then be asked to select a particular school.
3. After creating an account, the applicant should complete the [PCC Admissions Test Application](#) and email it to the Director of Nursing Programs at Darrick.Woods@piedmontcc.edu to reserve an appointment for their desired date and time to test. Space at each section is limited so applicants are encouraged to secure their spot early.
4. After reserving an appointment, applicants will receive detailed instruction of where to report, the time of testing, and expectations of what to bring on the day of the exam. Applicants are strongly advised to fulfill these expectations, or they will not be able to take the test at their scheduled time.
5. The \$70 testing fee will be required to be paid with a credit or debit card at the start of the test.

Applicants only need to register with ATI once. Applicants will need to bring their username and password, with a government-issued picture ID to the testing center on the day of the scheduled test. Applicants will NOT be allowed to take the test without a reservation appointment. Registration is limited to 20 persons per session. Note: Applicants should schedule their testing date early enough to allow time for a retake of the test, if desired or necessary.

Disability Accommodations

Applicants who wish to have disability testing accommodations must have testing accommodations approved and documented by the PCC Disability Services Counselor (336.322.2243 or Karla.Sears@piedmontcc.edu) prior to the test date. It is important that the applicant contact the PCC Director of Nursing Programs at 336.322.2219 or Darrick.Woods@piedmontcc.edu before scheduling the TEAS test to be sure that the necessary accommodations can be provided on the day of their test.

Day of Testing Information

Applicants must report to the designated testing site at least 15 minutes prior to their confirmed reservation time. Applicants who fail to arrive by their designated reservation time will not be allowed to test, as **no late entries will be allowed** in the testing center. All applicants must show a government-issued ID to take the exam.

Refund/Reschedule Policy

ATI does not offer refunds for cancellations or rescheduled exams. Applicants, who schedule their original exam through ATI Testing, can modify their exam date and/or exam time. There is a \$15 charge for each time an exam is rescheduled. Other restrictions may apply and can be found [here](#).

