

# **TEAS® Information Packet**

## **Montgomery County Community College**

### **Nursing Program**

#### **RN**

- **Important- students may take the TEAS exam twice in a year. Starting with the Summer 2022 Intent to register form all TEAS scores must be submitted by-**
  - Fall admission – March 1
  - Spring admission – August 1
  - Summer admission – November 1

**No scores will be submitted after the above dates**

**Please be aware you must log onto the platform 30 minutes prior to your scheduled testing time. If you wait to start the exam you will NOT be permitted to test and no refunds will be given**

**This booklet contains essential information regarding TEAS® testing required of all applicants registering for NUR 108- Introduction to Concepts of Nursing or NUR 107- Transition to Concepts of Nursing: Professional Nursing Practice**

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## **How to register for the exam-**

[https://info.atitesting.com/teas-online-at-an-institution?\\_ga=2.49244326.1806108849.1623187141-1940608849.1622898366&utm\\_medium=email&\\_hsmi=132901327&\\_hsenc=p2ANqtz-X4eR6hBNX9gP5nNsd-wbgmhEgasrgzrLS9thPseunU0c9jx6l\\_OzUkviqdccytYYv1lvSFVe1icJSC3ArbGYfw9eztQ&utm\\_content=132901327&utm\\_source=hs\\_email](https://info.atitesting.com/teas-online-at-an-institution?_ga=2.49244326.1806108849.1623187141-1940608849.1622898366&utm_medium=email&_hsmi=132901327&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-X4eR6hBNX9gP5nNsd-wbgmhEgasrgzrLS9thPseunU0c9jx6l_OzUkviqdccytYYv1lvSFVe1icJSC3ArbGYfw9eztQ&utm_content=132901327&utm_source=hs_email)

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS®)

The Nursing Department requires all applicants interested in the Nursing Program to complete and submit results from the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS®) as part of the application process. We have compiled a list of questions and answers regarding the exam and our policies regarding taking this exam. If you have further questions regarding the exam itself, please go to [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com). If you have questions regarding the admissions criteria as it relates to the exam, please contact a nursing advisor a 215-641-6577.

### What is the TEAS® assessment?

The Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS®) administered by Assessment Technologies Institute, LLC (ATI) is a standardized, timed, computer-based exam designed to assess the general academic preparedness of students interested in applying to the Associate Degree Nursing Program. It measures knowledge in basic, essential skills in the academic content areas of Reading, Mathematics, Science and English.

### Who needs to take the TEAS®?

All applicants who wish to register for NUR 108- Introduction to Concepts of Nursing, or NUR 107- Transition Concepts of Nursing, Professional Nursing Practice.

### Where do I take TEAS® at MCCC?

Remote Environment- The exam is presently given remotely.

#### Technical Requirements for Remote TEAS® Testing and Testing Rules

- **No Chromebooks**
- **Laptop or Desk Top needed**
- **Web cam required**
- **Microphone required**
- **Log onto the ATI site at least 30 minutes before your testing time**
- **Must show a government issued photo ID**
- **Must scan your environment and the environment should be free of papers, food and drink and other people.**
- **May have one piece of clean scrap paper to show to the proctor and a pencil**

### When is the test offered at MCCC and how do I Register?

You can register for the TEAS® online by cutting and pasting the link below. **Applicants for the Nursing Program must take the exam that is listed as only the day/date and time, all other exams are for Allied Health students. Nursing students should NOT choose the exams listed a AH.**

You must register at least 3 days prior to the testing date. Debit or credit card payment is accepted. **Please note that the TEAS® exam will NOT be administered during exam weeks so please plan accordingly**

[https://info.atitesting.com/teas-online-at-an-institution?\\_ga=2.49244326.1806108849.1623187141-1940608849.1622898366&utm\\_medium=email&\\_hsmi=132901327&\\_hsenc=p2ANqtz-X4eR6hBNX9gP5nNsd-wbgmhEgasrgzrLS9thPseunU0c9jx6l\\_OzUkviqdccytYYv1lvSFVe1icJSC3ArbGYfw9eztQ&utm\\_content=132901327&utm\\_source=hs\\_email](https://info.atitesting.com/teas-online-at-an-institution?_ga=2.49244326.1806108849.1623187141-1940608849.1622898366&utm_medium=email&_hsmi=132901327&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-X4eR6hBNX9gP5nNsd-wbgmhEgasrgzrLS9thPseunU0c9jx6l_OzUkviqdccytYYv1lvSFVe1icJSC3ArbGYfw9eztQ&utm_content=132901327&utm_source=hs_email)

### **What happens after I register through ATI?**

You will receive an email from the Testing Center confirming your exam date and time and with important information about the exam and the exam access code. If you do not receive this email 3 days before your exam please contact the Testing Center at [Testing@mc3.edu](mailto:Testing@mc3.edu)

**Please use your MCCC email and check your spam folder if needed.**

### **What is the cost of the TEAS® test?**

The cost to register for TEAS® at MCCC is \$75.00 including tax, there is also a \$5.00 proctoring charge from Proctorio the remote proctoring platform, Total Cost \$80.00.

### **When should I take the TEAS®?**

Students should take the TEAS® to allow ample time for the TEAS® Scores to be recorded prior to completing the Intent to Register form for NUR 108, and prior to registering for NUR 107. Do not take the TEAS® until you are sure you are prepared for the exam. Students may only take the TEAS® exam TWICE in one year.

**The results of the exam are valid only for three years.** You should seek the guidance of a Nursing Advisor before scheduling your TEAS® exam to avoid unnecessary early testing and cost.

### **How many sub-sections of the exam am I required to take?**

You are required to take all four sub-sections of the exam (Math, English, Reading, and Science).

### **Is there a deadline for testing?**

You must take the TEAS® prior to completing the Intent to Register Form for NUR 108 and prior to registering for NUR 107.

Starting with the Summer 2022 Intent to Register Form all TEAS results must be submitted by the deadline for transcript submission, No scores will be accepted after the dates listed below-

- Fall admission – March 1
- Spring admission – August 1
- Summer admission – November 1

Please make sure you know the deadline to allow ample time to take the exam.

### **How often can I take the exam?**

You are allowed to take the TEAS® **a total of two times per year.** If the test is taken more than two times in a year, only the first two attempts will be considered. Students need to wait at least 7 days between tests. The *recommended* minimum time between a first attempt and a repeat attempt is 14 days to allow adequate time for remediation.

### **Why is the TEAS® used?**

The TEAS® assessment evaluates the academic readiness of applicants to RN and Allied Health programs. The results may also be referenced during the advising process to identify areas where additional support may be needed.

### **How do I prepare for the TEAS®?**

Since TEAS® scores are part of your application to a highly competitive program, you should prepare thoroughly for the exam. There is information on the Nursing Webpage and other preparation tools available online.

Review manuals and practice tests are available for purchase from the ATI testing site <http://www.atitesting.com/> Click on *ATI Product Solutions*, under *Pre-Nursing School* select *Test of Essential Academic Skills*. At the bottom of the page, you can choose from the products offered for TEAS®. Preparation materials are on reserve at the library at both Central and West Campus.

### **What TEAS® score will be used in determining my acceptance?**

To be eligible to register for NUR 108- Introduction to Concepts in Nursing, or NUR 107- Transition to Concepts of Nursing: Professional Nursing Practice, students must meet the following benchmarks:

**All Students must receive a 75% Reading Comprehension Score, Note scores are NOT rounded, a 74.5 is NOT a 75.**

Option 1- Placement in BIO 131 and a TEAS® Composite Score of 75% or greater

Option 2- A “B” or better in BIO 131, 132 or BIO 140, and a TEAS® Composite score of 65% or greater

### **How do I get my results?**

ATI will send your TEAS® scores to MCCC electronically if the exam is taken at MCCC. See below for the procedure to follow if the exam is taken elsewhere. After you leave the testing area you can view your results by logging on to the ATI website [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com) with your user name and password and selecting *results*.

**Please make sure you have a valid Student ID entered under, “Account Settings”, this is how your score is matched to your student record, without a valid student ID you will not have a TEAS® score and will be ineligible to register for NUR 108/NUR 107.**

### **Can I take TEAS® at a location other than MCCC?**

Yes, applicants may choose to take TEAS® at another location. The name of the exam must be TEAS® (Test of Essential Academic Skills) and the exam must be published by ATI (Assessment Technologies Institute, LLC.). MCCC will accept results from TEAS®. (Students who may have taken the TEAS-V, scores will be not be accepted if older than 3 years).

You can request to send an official TEAS® transcript to MCCC through the ATI on-line store for a fee.

### **Can I use results of TEAS® taken previously?**

Yes, TEAS® scores are valid for 3 years from the test date.

### **What subject areas are included in TEAS®?**

The test consists of 170 multiple-choice questions (150 are scored). There are four sections: Reading, English, Math and Science. Basic understanding of these subjects is important for success in a nursing program.

- The **Math** subtest measures knowledge of whole numbers, metric conversions, fractions and decimals, algebraic equations, percentages and ratio/proportion.
- The **Science** subtest covers science reasoning, science knowledge, biology, chemistry, anatomy, and physiology, basic physical principals and general science.
- The **English** subtest measures knowledge of punctuation, grammar, and sentences structure, contextual words, and spelling.
- The **Reading** subtest covers paragraph comprehension, passage comprehension, and inferences/conclusions.

### **How many questions are in each sub-section?**

The number of test items in each section is as follows:

- Reading (53)
- Math (32)
- Science (47)
- English (24)

### **How much time will I have to complete each section?**

A total of 209 minutes is allowed to complete the test. The time allowed to complete each section of the test is as follows:

- Reading (64 minutes)
- Math (54 minutes)
- Science (63 minutes)
- English (28 minutes)

### **If I receive testing accommodations, may I receive them to take the TEAS®?**

Yes, you may receive testing accommodations provided you have documentation of the need for accommodations. Please contact Disability Services to ensure you have the appropriate documentation at least 2 weeks prior to when you plan to take the TEAS®.

If you already have documentation for accommodations, please allow 3 business days to set up the proper accommodations to facilitate your success.

**Note- Students who do not log onto the platform 30 minutes prior to their scheduled time, or wait to start the exam will NOT be permitted to test and no refunds will be given**