



Guidelines for Students Taking the ATI TEAS

The ATI TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills) is designed to assess a student's preparedness to enter the health science field. At Mott Community College, we require students to take the TEAS as part of the basic eligibility requirements for entry into the Associate degree in Nursing program.

The TEAS measures basic essential skills in the academic content areas of reading, mathematics, science, and English and language usage. The objectives assessed on the TEAS are those that are deemed most relevant to measure entry-level academic readiness of nursing program applicants.

What is the ATI TEAS?

The TEAS was developed by ATI Nursing Education for health sciences schools to evaluate academic preparedness of prospective students. The content areas assessed are those that health science educators, around the country, determined to be most appropriate and relevant to measure entry-level skills and abilities of program applicants. The exam covers four academic content areas:

- Reading
- Mathematics
- Science
- English and Language Usage

What do the TEAS exam scores mean to me?

Upon completion of the online version of the TEAS test, your test will be scored immediately and you will be able to view your score report at that time. The score report includes your total and content area scores. In addition, the report identifies specific topic areas you missed.

The scores summarize your basic academic knowledge and skills in each area. They also allow the program coordinators to determine if a program applicant may benefit from additional remediation of basic knowledge courses. Overall, the scores will help to determine if your academic readiness is adequate for the rigors of the nursing curriculum. Results on the TEAS are utilized *along with other program requirements* to determine a student's eligibility for the Nursing program.

What score do I need to achieve?

The ATI TEAS summarizes a student's 'Academic Preparedness Level'. The academic preparedness levels provide a criterion-referenced measure that can be used as a benchmark for assessing student performance on the TEAS. ATI TEAS scoring is based on the following academic preparedness levels:

- Developmental level
- Basic level
- **Proficient level** (*required minimum level*)
- Advanced level
- Exemplary level

A student must score at the *proficient* academic preparedness level, or higher, in order to meet the eligibility requirements for entry into the Nursing program. A student who scores below the proficient level must retest on the ATI TEAS. The TEAS is limited to two attempts to achieve the required level. You must wait at least 30 days before retesting. It is strongly recommended that you use the waiting period to study and prepare for the next attempt.

When should I plan to take the TEAS?

You should plan to take the TEAS as soon as you feel confident you have mastered the content areas. However, we do recommend that you take it shortly after completion of your Anatomy and Physiology courses. The test must be scheduled at least 30 days prior to the program application deadline.

How do I register for the TEAS? Where will I take the exam?

You should plan to schedule your exam at least a week before you wish to test. Testing will take place in the Mott Testing Center, located on the 3rd floor of the Mott Library. There are two easy steps to the registration process:

- 1) Create a student account with ATI. Go to the ATI website (www.atitesting.com) and select the option to 'create an account' (see the attached guidelines for "How to Create a New Account").
- 2) Contact the MCC Testing Center (ML 3107; 810-762-0406) for testing date availability. The staff in the Testing Center will schedule your test.

What is the cost and how do I pay?

You will pay for the exam at the time of testing. The staff in the Testing Center will guide you through the purchase process (*remember to bring the ATI login information you created!*). Exam access purchase requires the use of a valid credit or credit/debit card (cash, checks, or money orders are not accepted). All orders are final, with no refund.

The current cost of the TEAS is \$58.00.

What will taking the test be like?

The TEAS is administered in the Testing Center, a quiet area on the 3rd floor of the Mott Library. You will be seated at an individual computer that will allow access to the TEAS. Throughout your testing session, proctors will be present within the Testing Center to monitor for odd or disruptive behavior. Students who engage in misconduct or disrupt the testing environment will be dismissed from the area and their exam will not be scored.

The proctor will provide basic instructions on navigating the test environment and any policies regarding testing. He/she will provide any items you need during testing, such as scratch paper.

The proctor will advise you regarding the start/finish of each section and will approve any breaks during testing. Do not leave your seat if you need to take a break. Raise your hand to alert the proctor. The only scheduled break is at the end of the Mathematics portion of the exam. Breaks taken at other times are not scheduled and the exam time will not pause. Lost time cannot be made up. During a break, you may not access any personal items.

If, during the exam, you have a technical issue with your computer notify the proctor immediately by raising your hand. Do not leave your seat.

Challenges regarding the test or testing room complaints should be reported to the proctor before leaving the room on exam day.

What about exam security?

The ATI TEAS is a secure exam, proctored by a member of the Testing Center staff. Each student must agree to access the exam in a responsible, secure, and civil manner, and in accordance with any security policies of the Mott Community College Testing Center and/or ATI, Inc. *A government-issued photo ID is required to test.* Personal items are not allowed in the immediate testing area. Books, backpacks, laptop computers, cell phones, watches, and all other items must be left in a designated secure area within the Testing Center. Students are prohibited from discussing content, test questions, and other details related to the TEAS with anyone other than the proctor or a Nursing Program Coordinator. Information related to the test is confidential and may not be discussed or revealed to another student.

How many questions are on the TEAS? What is the format?

The TEAS test is composed of 170 questions. These questions are 4-option, multiple-choice questions. Each section varies in terms of the number of questions for that content area. In addition, each section of the test is individually timed, but students should plan on it taking about 209 minutes (approximately 3.5 hours) to complete the test.

Will I be able to use a calculator on the Mathematics portion of the test?

The Testing Center staff will provide a basic calculator for use during the exam. You may not use your personal calculator, personal computer, smart phone, or other devices during testing.

The proctor will provide you with scratch paper to use during the test. Scratch paper may not be used before the exam or during breaks. All paper, in its entirety must be returned to the proctor at the end of the testing session.

How should I prepare to take the exam?

ATI Nursing Education has developed self-guided study materials to help you target your studies for success on the TEAS. Several package options are available and vary in terms of extent of the package and its cost. Refer to the ATI website for details (<http://atiteasprep.com/smart-prep/>). Various packages available include:

- ATI TEAS SmartPrep Package (online study tool)
- ATI TEAS Study Manual (traditional print version)
- ATI TEAS Online Practice Tests

These study packages are all available through the ATI website. The print version is available through the website or on other sites, such as amazon.com and other sites. Copies of the print version are also available in the Mot Library, on a reserve basis.

What if I need special accommodations for testing?

Students must self-identify that they have a disability and need special accommodations. Accommodations cannot be provided until Testing Center receives an *Instructor Notification* form, outlining the specific accommodations. The only accommodation that can be provided in the Testing Center is extended time for testing. *Students who require extended time for testing must receive prior certification of need through Disability Services.* For details on the certification process, please visit the Learning Center at Mott.

What if I do not receive a passing score?

If you do not receive a passing score on your first attempt on the TEAS, you will need to retest. *You must wait at least 30 days before retesting*, to allow for time to review content areas that you missed on your first attempt. We recommend that you access ATI resources to review prior to retesting (<http://atiteasprep.com/smart-prep/>). ATI provides a vast array of materials and packages to assist you in preparing for the TEAS, or to remediate prior to retesting.

You can access your 'ATI TEAS Score Report' at anytime through your 'ATI Account' under 'My Results'. Within that same area, next to your score report, you have the ability to create a 'Focused Review'. A Focused Review is an online review tool that aligns question topics missed and the relevant study materials for your review.

What if I miss my testing date?

It may be possible to reschedule in another testing session by contacting the Testing Center at 810-762-0406.

As an affirmative action/equal opportunity institution, the College encourages diversity and provides equal opportunity in education, employment, all of its programs, and the use of its facilities. The College does not discriminate in educational or employment opportunities or practices on the basis of race, sex, color, religion, gender, national origin, veteran's status, age, disability unrelated to an individual's ability to perform adequately, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic protected by law.

Title IX Coordinator Contact Information: Prah! College Center (PCC-2030G), 810-762-0024; Title II, ADA Coordinator Contact Information: Curtice-Mott Complex (CM-1024), 810-762-0373; Section 504 Coordinator Contact Information: Prah! College Center (PCC-1130), 810-762-0191; Mott Community College, 1401 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48503

How to Create a New Account

If you are not a current user on www.atitesting.com, you must create a new account to access the student portal or to make a purchase from ATI's online store. Follow the steps below to create a new account.

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with links for 'Create Account', 'Online Store', and 'Contact Us'. Below the navigation is the ATI Nursing Education logo. A 'Sign On' section contains a 'Username' field, a 'Password' field, and a 'GO' button. A link for 'Forgot username and/or password?' is located below the password field.

From the atitesting.com home page, click **Create Account**.

The Sign In Info page displays.

The 'Sign In Info' page features a 'CLOSE' button in the top right corner. The form includes the following fields and labels: 'Username*' (with a note 'Letters, numbers, _@.'), 'Password*' (with a note 'Max 16 characters'), 'Confirm Password*', 'Email Address*', and 'Confirm Email Address*'. At the bottom, there is a 'CANCEL' button and a 'CONTINUE' button with the text 'Step 1 of 7' next to it.

On the Sign In Info page, enter the account information that you will use to sign in to your account or to recover your account.

You must enter valid information into all the fields on this screen before you can proceed.

If your entry is not accepted, an error message similar to the one pictured below will display.

Reenter your information. When your entry is accepted, the message will disappear.

After you have entered all your account information, click **Continue** to go to the Security Questions page.

Security Questions

CLOSE

Required*

Security Question 1*

What is your favorite food?

Answer 1*

Security Question 2*

Please Select..

Answer 2*

Security Question 3*

Please Select..

Answer 3*

PREVIOUS

Step 2 of 7 CONTINUE

On the Security Questions page, select three different security questions, one from each list and enter your answer for each. Be sure to record your questions and answers for your future reference, in case you need to recover your account or you cannot remember your password.

Click **Continue** to enter your personal information.

Personal Info

CLOSE

Required*

First Name*

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Last Name*

Address 1*

Address 2

City*

ZIP/Postal Code*

Country*

Please Select..

State/Province*

Please Select..

Phone

(nnn) nnn-nnnn

PREVIOUS

Step 3 of 7 CONTINUE

On the Personal Info page, enter your contact information. The following fields are required:

- First Name
- Last Name
- Address 1
- City
- ZIP/Postal Code
- Country
- State/Province

Click **Continue** to enter your Institution information.

Institution Info

CLOSE
Required*

Institution*

Please Select..

Student ID

Credentials

PhD, RN, BSN, MSN, MS, NP, AACE

Expected Graduation Date*

MM/DD/YYYY

Non-degree seeking

PREVIOUS Step 4 of 7 CONTINUE

On the Institution Info page, select an Institution from the list and if you are seeking a degree, enter a date in *Expected Graduation Date*. All other fields are optional.

Click **Continue** to enter your Demographic Info.

Demographic Info

CLOSE
Required*

Gender

Please Select..

Birth Date*

MM/DD/YYYY

Race

Caucasian/White

African American/Black

Native American

Hispanic

Asian

Other

Primary Language

Please Select..

PREVIOUS Step 5 of 7 CONTINUE

On the Demographic Info page, enter your *Gender, Birth Date, Race, and Primary Language* information. Only *Birth Date* is required.

Click **Continue** to go to Subscription, Updates & Notes.

Subscription, Updates & Notes

CLOSE
Required*

ATI does not share personal information with any third party without your permission. By creating an Account on the ATI website, you are giving ATI permission to allow the Institution that has arranged for the use of ATI products the ability to view scores affiliated with that Institution and the ability to look up students usernames and passwords in the event that a student forgets. We will share info with you regarding your account, as well as ATI Nursing-specific products and services, events and updates. If you do not wish to receive any of the above correspondence from us, including info regarding your account, you may opt out by deselecting the box below. For more details, please read ATI's [Privacy Policy](#).

Would you like to receive communications from ATI, its affiliates or partners regarding sweepstakes, discounts and other offers, market research, and relevant product updates?

Yes, I consent to ATI using and sharing my information so that I can receive such communication described above.

PREVIOUS Step 6 of 7 CONTINUE

On the Subscription, Updates & Notes page, read the Subscription, Updates & Notes information.

If you agree to allow ATI to share your information under the terms presented on this screen, select the **Yes, I consent** check box.

Click **Continue** to go to User Terms and Conditions.

User Terms and Conditions

CLOSE

Required*

ASSESSMENT TECHNOLOGIES INSTITUTE, LLC

USER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

THE USER TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET OUT BELOW ARE A LEGAL AGREEMENT ("AGREEMENT") BETWEEN YOU AND ASSESSMENT TECHNOLOGIES INSTITUTE, LLC ("ATI"), AND GOVERN YOUR USE OF ATI PRODUCTS AND SERVICES AND RELATED MATERIALS, WHETHER DELIVERED BY SHIPMENT OR ACCESSED ONLINE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ATI CURRICULUM, BOOKS AND EBOOKS, COURSE CONTENT, INSTRUCTIONAL AND TEST PREPARATORY MATERIALS, SURVEYS AND QUESTIONNAIRES, VIDEOS, TUTORIALS, TESTING AND ASSESSMENT MATERIALS, AND RELATED ATI RESOURCES (COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO HEREIN AS "ATI PRODUCTS") MADE AVAILABLE TO YOU BY ATI, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THROUGH ATI'S ONLINE HOSTED PLATFORM

Yes, I Agree. I have read and understand the ATI User Terms and Conditions, and agree to be bound by all of the terms, conditions and policies described therein, including, but not limited to, the following specific consents:*

I consent to the transmission and transfer of my personal information, into the United States, to be processed, stored and maintained on or through ATI servers located in the United States, as described in the "Use of Data" section, above; and

I consent to the collection, use and disclosure of my data, for the purposes described in the "Use of Data" section, above.

PREVIOUS

Step 7 of 7

REGISTER

On the User Terms and Conditions page, read the information under User Terms and Conditions.

Then select the **Yes, I Agree** check box to acknowledge that you have read the ATI User Terms and Conditions and agree to be bound by them.

Click **Previous** if you want to change any of the information you have entered for your new account.

Click **Register** when you are finished creating your account.

Welcome to ATI

Let's get started.



Register for TEAS before using ATI



Get oriented to ATI as a student



Get oriented to ATI as a nurse educator

Please select an option.

BEGIN USING ATI

Click Begin Using ATI

Always be sure to Click Sign Out when you are ready to log out.



The next time you log into www.atitest.com you'll be presented with the Sign On box.



Sign On

[Forgot username and/or password?](#)

The Sign On window displays and your new Username is filled in for you. Enter your Password and click **GO** to launch the Student Home page.

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