



**Assessment Technologies Institute (ATI), LLC  
Test of Essential Academic Skills – TEAS®  
FAQs**

**What is the ATI TEAS®?**

The ATI TEAS® measures basic essential skills in the academic content areas of reading, mathematics, science and English and language usage. These entry-level skills are deemed important for health science program applicants by a panel of subject matter experts. The TEAS® is required for students submitting applications to the RN Nursing program at Nashua Community College.

**How can I best prepare for taking the TEAS®?**

We recommend a review of basic concepts and theories in the areas of reading, mathematics, science and English and language usage. The official ATI TEAS® study manual (sixth edition) is now available for purchase. To purchase the study guides, visit [https://www.atitesting.com/ati\\_store](https://www.atitesting.com/ati_store). The Nashua Public Library offers study guides for the exam as well.

**Where can I take the TEAS®?**

Students can take it at NCC or any institution that offers the exam. You can view testing center locations, exam dates and times, and sign up for it online at [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com). You have to create an account with ATI before you can sign up. Registration and payment is done online directly through the ATI website.

**What is the format of the TEAS®?**

The TEAS® is a computerized 170 scored multiple-choice question test divided into four subsections: Mathematics, Reading, Science, and English and Language Usage. Time limit is 209 minutes.

- **Reading** – key ideas & details; craft & structure; integration of knowledge & ideas (53 questions, 64 minutes)
- **Math** – whole numbers; algebra; measurement & data (36 questions, 54 minutes)
- **Science** – human anatomy & physiology; life and physical sciences; scientific reasoning (53 questions, 63 minutes)
- **English and Language Usage** – conventions of standard English; knowledge of language; vocabulary acquisition (28 questions, 28 minutes)

**Can I use a calculator on the TEAS®?**

There is a calculator embedded within the exam.

**How long will it take to receive my TEAS® scores?**

If you have taken the computer-administered TEAS® at NCC, your scores are available immediately after the examination. Even if you take the TEAS® Exam at NCC, you must print out a copy of your official results and submit them to the Admissions Office.

**How do I know if I passed the TEAS® for entrance into NCC's Nursing program?**

Applicants must achieve the following scores; Reading – 74.5% or higher; Math – 68.8% or higher; Science 55.3% or higher; and English 66.7% or higher.

**How do I get an official TEAS® transcript sent to another college?**

Your TEAS® results can be sent to any nursing school by logging into your ATI account at [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com). You can request that ATI electronically transmit your results to another school for a small fee.