# Jefferson College Bi-Level Nursing Level I/PN

## ATI TEAS Entrance Exam

#### What is the TEAS?

The ATI TEAS, or Test of Essential Academic Skills, is a standardized test designed specifically to assess a student's preparedness for entering the health science fields. Questions are designed to test the basic academic skills you will need to perform successfully in the areas of: Reading, Math, Science, and English and Language Usage.

## Why do I have to take the TEAS?

The ATI TEAS has been statistically proven to be a valid predictor of early nursing school success. Your score on the TEAS is one measure of academic preparedness that helps Jefferson College consider your acceptance into our nursing program.

#### What does the TEAS exam consist of?

The ATI TEAS test is comprised of 170 questions that are formatted as both multiple choice items with 4 answer options and alternate-type items. This includes 150 scored questions and 20 unscored pretest questions. Students have 209 minutes to complete the exam.

The number of questions in each content section and subsection are as follows:

## Reading – 45 questions (55 minutes)

- Key Ideas & Details 15
- Craft & Structure 9
- Integration of Knowledge & Ideas 15
- Unscored Pretest Items 6

#### Math – 38 questions (57 minutes)

- o Numbers & Algebra 18
- o Measurement & Data 16
- Unscored Pretest Items 4

## Science – 50 questions (60 minutes)

- Human Anatomy & Physiology 18
- o Biology 9
- Chemistry 8
- Scientific Reasoning 9
- Unscored Pretest Items 6

# English & Language Usage – 37 questions (37 minutes)

- o Conventions of Standard English 12
- o Knowledge of Language 11
- Using Language and Vocabulary to Express Ideas in Writing – 10
- o Unscored Pretest Items 4

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## What score do I need to achieve in order to apply to the program?

In a single attempt, you must complete Reading, Mathematics, Science and English and earn a **minimum composite score** of **58.7%** in order to be considered for admission. Do not submit your application to the Jefferson College Bi-Level Nursing Program until you have achieved the required admission scores on the TEAS.

If you score <u>below 58.7% overall</u>, remediation and retake will be required. Students can retake the ATI TEAS **once every 60 days.** During the waiting period students are strongly encouraged to remediate the areas they scored basic or developmental. A Focused Review is available in your ATI account.

• Jefferson College will **not** accept test scores taken prior to the end of the two-month waiting period, regardless of the score obtained or location taken.

## How long are my scores good for?

ATI TEAS scores are valid for two (2) years prior to the program start date (not the application due date) the applicant is applying for.

## What are the steps to testing?

- After you have studied and prepared for the exam you are ready to test.
- The ATI TEAS exam is proctored and may be completed at our Jefferson College Hillsboro and Arnold campuses. Testing Center information can be found <a href="here">here</a>.
  (The Arnold Campus will be closed starting May 19th due to Campus renovations)
  - As a reminder, students must wait 60 days between ATI TEAS assessments.
  - o Appointments are <u>not</u> required; **walk-ins** for the ATI TEAS are welcome.
  - If testing accommodations are required, please contact the <u>Accessibility</u> Resource Office to schedule the TEAS entrance exam.
- Create your <u>ATI account</u> prior to testing day.
  - When prompted, please select Jefferson College as your institution.
    - Student ID number is **not** required.
  - Once you have created your account, no further action is required.
- What to bring on exam day?
  - o ATI account login information
  - \$80 test fee receipt
    - Testing fee must be paid in the <u>Cashier's Office</u> prior to testing. If the Cashier's office is closed, <u>exact</u> cash payment may be accepted by the testing center proctor.
  - Valid Driver's License
- Once in the testing room, you will be provided with your product exam ID for the assessment.

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# What if I have a documented disability and need special services for testing?

If you have a disability that requires an accommodation, register with the <u>Accessibility</u> <u>Resource Office</u> prior to testing. Documentation will be required. Please note if you have any required accommodations when scheduling your exam.

• Walk-ins are **not allowed** if accommodations are being utilized. Please schedule your exam in coordination with the Disability Support Services office.

## What if I have already taken the TEAS at another location?

Jefferson College will accept TEAS scores from other testing locations within the two year time frame. Your TEAS test report will need to be officially transferred to Jefferson College from ATI before we will accept your scores. To have your TEAS report sent to Jefferson College, please contact ATI at 1-800-667-7531 or visit their website <a href="here">here</a>. There may be a fee associated with transferring a transcript.

## **How should I prepare for the TEAS exam?**

There are a variety of prep resources available to help you study for the test, both free and for purchase. All products align to the ATI TEAS, Version 7 and are packed with thousands of practice questions based on the content and format of the actual exam. The ATI TEAS Study Manual contains content review and practice tests.

 ATI recommends that you allow yourself at least six weeks to prepare for the exam.

**Study manuals** are available for purchase on the ATI website and are also available for one week check-out at the Jefferson College Library. Optional Online TEAS Practice Tests, ATI TEAS SmartPrep, and TEAS Basic Packages are available for purchase through the ATI website, but are not required.

#### **Resources for PURCHASE:**

- ATI TEAS Study Manual 2022 2023
- ATI TEAS SmartPrep Tutorial
- ATI TEAS Online Practice Assessment

#### **FREE Resources:**

- <u>Learning Express Library</u>
- ATI Nursing Education Facebook
- Khan Academy Algebra
- IXL Learning Algebra
- Khan Academy Biology

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