West Hills College Lemoore 2023-24 Nursing Application Period TEAS Testing free for first time TEAS test takers only

the 2023-24 TEAS test will <u>not</u> be given on campus with schedule TEAS exam dates. Students will be able to take the *ATI Remote Proctor-Nursing* TEAS from home at any time that works for them upon receiving a coupon from the health careers office and prior to the application deadline of February 9, 2024 by close of application. The coupon code will discount the price when purchasing the proctored exam.

WHCL nursing program can offer this free testing to first time TEAS testers as it is supported by a grant with the California Community Colleges Nurse Enrollment funding. Our office is <u>required</u> to track and report data for the free tests we provide to first time TEAS test takers.

The exam is offered first to students who have a student ID with WHCL, WHCC or the Firebaugh NDC and have taken at least one course with any of those locations.

For this year, we will also extend this option to Clovis Community College Pre-Nursing students. It is recommended but not required students apply to our program if taking the free TEAS test with us.

As the first attempt is free to first time TEAS test takers, students will also receive one free transcript that <u>must be sent</u> to "West Hills CC" which is our nursing office to track the scores of students taking the free exam. It is mandatory that students supply the transcript to our office. Any additional transcripts students wish to send to other programs will cost them the regular ATI fee required to send transcript scores to other programs. The transcript must be sent to our office regardless of if the student is applying to our nursing program or not. If applying to our program, this free transcript will accompany your application to the program.

TEAS Prep Recommendations

It is recommended that testers plan 6 weeks of consistent planned preparation is recommended prior to taking the TEAS exam.

Students who do not pass the TEAS exam with the free first-time test taker attempt, will be required to meet with the Director of Nursing to discuss a remediation plan prior to retesting at any site or school.

Remediation will take place as follows: Student will enroll in NC100 course and be offered support in the WHCL ACE/tutoring lab for areas on the exam the student needs assistance with.

Please take note: many nursing programs only allow 2 TEAS attempts and often require specific number of days in between attempts (ie.. COS 45 days and FCC 90 days). Make sure you plan for all programs you will be applying to.

Any first time TEAS test takers can study with any option they choose and do not have utilize an ATI product. Preparation is the key to success on the TEAS. Do not take it without preparation.

The following prep information is shared with test takers as it is shown to be the most successful preparation for a successful TEAS per students in our program.

several ATI specific package options to choose from can be found here https://www.atitesting.com/teas/teas-prep

<u>Most recommended by students</u> in the program who took the TEAS exam with West Hills College Lemoore and were successful with their free attempt.



Comprehensive Study Package

Recommended Package



2 online assessments ("A" baseline score "B" test your comprehension)

Smart prep tutorial- focused study from baseline score assessment A Mobile App for on-the-go practice

Study manual- test taking tips and study strategies

Practice test B to test your comprehension and exam readiness

Go into the website for additional benefits of this comprehensive product.

If #1 is not an option, there are 2 other ATI options that are less expensive but less comprehensive that can be found at this website https://www.atitesting.com/teas/teas-prep

On Campus prep as well to support: Enrollment in NC100 and support in the WHCL ACE/Tutoring lab can also be done prior to taking the first TEAS attempt as part of the student's preparation. You can consult a counselor or the Nursing office if this is a preparation choice. If you are a student on another college campus, it is recommended if needed to access tutoring help from your campus for this exam.

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Before your exam day, ensure that you meet the following technical requirements:

- · Microphone: Any microphone, either internal or external
- Webcam: 320x240 VGA resolution (minimum) internal or external
- Desktop or laptop computer NO iPads, tablets or phones are to be used with the ability to download Google Chrome
- See the full list at atitesting.com/technical-requirements

Steps to register for the free TEAS exam to first time TEAS test takers:

To be eligible for your testing coupon for your free test- student will need to do the following:

- 1. Review the TEAS testing technology requirements- this test can be taken at home and proctored by ATI. There are no scheduled-on campus testing days.
- 2. If you do not have a laptop or desktop that meets the requirements, you may consider checking out a laptop from the library

- 3. If you need a space to take the test on campus for access to Wifi or quiet space, you can contact the nursing office for assistance with scheduling a space.
- 4. Create an ATI account with ATI website userID to provide to the nursing office
- 5. Submit your ATI TEAS Prep Plan form to the nursing office prior to collecting your coupon.

You may call the health careers office 559-925-3490 or email healthcareerslemoore@whccd.edu for any questions or communication regarding signing up for the TEAS and obtaining a coupon.

It is recommended you call and make sure someone will be in the office at the time you wish to come to campus to obtain your coupon especially if driving from a distance. Office staff may have meetings or lunch hours that are not typical.