Frequently Asked Questions concerning the TEAS pre-nursing test

1. What is TEAS?
TEAS is short for “Test of Essential Academic Skills.” TEAS is a 4-part on-line assessment developed by Assessment Technologies Institute™ LLC that consists of subtests in Reading, Mathematics, Science, and English.

2. Why do I need to take the TEAS test?
Fairmont State University’s School of Nursing and Allied Health has made the TEAS test results part of the admission requirements for the Associate of Science in Nursing Program for all students applying for acceptance.

3. What testing areas are included in the TEAS test?
TEAS is a 4-part assessment developed by Assessment Technologies Institute™ LLC consisting of subtests in Reading, Mathematics, Science, and English with 170 total questions. The numbers of questions in each subtest area are as follows:
• Reading – 48 Questions
• Mathematics – 34 Questions
• Science – 54 Questions
• English and Language Usage – 34 Questions

4. How long does the test take?
The TEAS test is a timed test. The total testing time for all four test areas is 3 hours and 29 minutes. Most subtests are timed to average 75 seconds per item. The amount of time allotted for each subtest is as follows:
• Reading – 58 Minutes
• Mathematics – 51 Minutes
• Science – 66 Minutes
• English and Language Usage – 34 Minutes

5. How do I register for the TEAS test?
You register for the test date you want and pay for the TEAS test online at Pierpont Community & Technical College Continuing Education website www.pierpont.edu/ce and click on the Browse Classes link and then the TEAS Pre-Nursing Exam link or search TEAS in the upper right hand corner.

6. How often can I take the TEAS test?
You may take the TEAS test twice in any calendar year. You register for the TEAS test you are taking the second time in a calendar year the same as you do for the first time. See above.

7. How much does the TEAS test cost and when do I have to pay the testing fee?
The TEAS test costs $95 and must be paid on-line when you register for your testing date.

8. Where is the TEAS testing for Fairmont State University conducted?
TEAS testing is conducted at Pierpont Community & Technical College’s Center for Workforce Education located in downtown Fairmont at 320 Adams Street, Suite G01, Fairmont, WV 26554. Detailed directions are available by clicking here.

**9. Is there anything special I need to do or need to bring on the day of the test?**
You should plan to arrive ½ hour prior to testing time to allow for check in. You must bring a current picture ID, and two (2) #2 pencils. Revised July 2013

**10. How late can I wait to register to take the TEAS test?**
You can register for one of the available test dates as long as there are seats available. Be aware that there are a limited number of seats available on each test date, so it is important to pick a test date and register before all the available seats are taken.

**11. How do I get my TEAS test results?**
Your individual student report is available immediately after you submit your exam. However, the test proctor cannot print a copy for you. If you want a copy of your score, you can download from another computer by logging back into Assessment Technologies Institute™ LLC at www.atitesting.com and going to My Results.

**12. Can I re-test if I want to improve my score?**
Yes, you can take the TEAS test twice in a calendar year. You must complete all subtest areas each time.

**13. How do I arrange to re-test?**
You register to retake the test by selecting the date you want and paying for the TEAS test online as described in #5 above.

**14. How much does it cost to re-test?**
Re-test costs are the same as the initial test costs, $95.

**15. Are test preparation materials available?**
Test preparation materials, including study guides and practice tests, are available to be purchased from Assessment Technologies Institute™ LLC. You can find out more by visiting their web address www.atitesting.com. Free tutoring to all FSU/Pierpont students is available on the second floor of the library. This is not specific to just TEAS tutoring but does include this service for those who request it. The tutoring schedule can be accessed at www.pierpont.edu/tutoring. They have copies of TEAS practice books. The library also has copies of the TEAS practice books available for checkout. Linda King, Associate Professor, is the director of the tutoring center. She can be contacted via email at linda.king@pierpont.edu if you have any questions.

**16. What if I live outside of the State or regional area and cannot make it to one of the TEAS test dates identified?**
You need to contact the TEAS test administrator, Jeffrey Noel, at (304) 368-7254 or by email Jeffrey.Noel@pierpont.edu to determine if special testing arrangements can be made. Realize that special arrangements will only be made due to extraordinary circumstances. Such requests must be made no later than one month prior to the last available test date.

**17. What if I am a non-citizen and do not have a social security number?**
You need to contact the TEAS test administrator, Jeffrey Noel, at (304) 367-4930 or by email Jeffrey.Noel@pierpont.edu at least one month prior to the date on which you would like to test.

18. **Who do I contact if I have other questions about the administration of the TEAS test?**

Questions about TEAS test administration can be directed to the test administrator, Jeffrey Noel, at (304) 368-7254 or by email Jeffrey.Noel@pierpont.edu. Information about the TEAS test itself can be found from Assessment Technologies Institute™ LLC by visiting their web site at www.atitesting.com. Questions about Fairmont State’s use of the TEAS test or its nursing program should be directed to Janice Porto at (304) 367-4133 or by email to janice.porto@fairmontstate.edu.