The ATI TEAS® exam result is one of the criteria used for the students applying for the Nursing and Health Sciences degree programs at Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College. Therefore, you should prepare to do your best because it can help you be more competitive in the application process to your program of choice. The exam measures basic essential skills in the academic content areas of reading and mathematics.

You must have taken an English, math, and reading college level course before you are able to register to take this exam. You may also register for the exam if you have the required SAT, ACT, or ACCUPLACER scores (please see a counselor).

**ATI TEAS® Exam Content**

The ATI TEAS® exam is a multiple-choice assessment of basic academic knowledge in reading and mathematics. Each section is timed. Exam results are available immediately after completion of the exam. Content and sub content areas are divided in the following manner:

- **Reading** (approximately 53 questions, 64 minutes) section includes questions regarding paragraph comprehension and inferences/conclusions.

- **Math** (approximately 36 questions, 54 minutes) section includes questions regarding whole numbers, metric conversions, fractions, decimals, algebraic equations, percentages, and ratio/proportions. **Examinees may only use the pop-up calculator available in the test.**

**Know These Facts BEFORE You Test**

1. Make sure you are taking ATI TEAS® exam; OCtech’s programs will no longer accept any other versions of this test for admissions purposes. OCtech only requires students to take two parts (Reading and Math) of the four part test. If however you are considering enrolling at another school be sure to check their requirements as it could be different than OCtech’s.

2. You are allowed to take the ATI TEAS® exam a maximum of two times in a 12 month period. Students participating in an approved TEAS Prep Course can take the TEAS exam up to a total of four times during a 12 month period. Testing fees must be paid for each test and retest attempt. Note, there is a recommended 15 day wait period between each requested retest.

3. All individuals preparing to take the ATI TEAS® exam must create an ATI account. You may create an account by going to ATI’s website at [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com) and clicking on create a new account then follow the screen prompts. You only need to register once. (This process can also be done at the Testing Center before you take your exam. We recommend that you do this before the day of the exam).

4. Please see an Admissions Counselor for information on testing fees and to obtain a testing slip. Take the testing slip and cash, debit or credit card to the Cashier. CHECKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED as a form of payment for testing.

5. The Cashier will give you a paid receipt. Please take this receipt, your testing slip, your ATI username and password, and a photo ID to the Testing Center during the hours posted on the testing slip. Testing will take place in OCtech’s Testing Center each Tuesday at 1:30. Please check the College’s website for closures and holidays.

6. Plan at least 2½ hours to complete the test.

7. **Practice makes you better:** The Resources section has some FREE study tools and resources available to help you become familiar with the type and format of test questions. These resources can help you identify areas where you may need improvement before taking the exam. Remember this is a timed test.
What to Expect at the Exam

1. You will not be allowed to take any personal belongings into the exam. A secure locker can be provided to you during your testing time. You will be required to turn off your cell phone, and place all your belongings in the locker.
2. You will be furnished a pencil, scratch paper and earplugs, all of which you must turn in when you leave the Testing Center.
3. Notify OCtech’s Disability Services Coordinator if you need disability accommodations.
4. Restroom breaks are only allowed before or between test sections when the clock is stopped. You will not have access to your locker once the test has started.
5. Once the test has started, do not click outside your browser. Clicking outside the browser will stop the exam.
6. Print two copies of your results when you are finished with the exam. One copy will go to the Testing Center staff and the other you can take with you to a counselor to get evaluated. Hold on to this copy so you can include it in your packet.

Things to Be Aware Of

**Answering Questions:** It is to your advantage to answer every question as best you can. Any question that you do not answer will be scored as incorrect. You can answer questions within a section as long as you are still in that section. There is also the possibility of “flagging” questions that you want to revisit before completing each section.

**Time:** Pace yourself and don't rush, but keep working and move on if you get stuck. Use your time.

**Reading Carefully:** Read the directions carefully for each section and for each individual question. Also read the question carefully and understand what it is asking before you jump to a conclusion. Many times if you skip just one word you can get the whole question incorrect. Consider using the answer options to find the solution to the question, working backwards may make finding the answer easier.

**Know the Basics to Advanced:** Questions range from basic to advanced knowledge skills. You should study skills as simple as spelling to complex equations. It is not only studying examples of the skills within this exam, but it is about being able to apply what you have learned.

**ATI TEAS® Resources**

Register for AHS180 – Study Skills/Test Taking Course offered at Orangeburg Calhoun Technical College

**ATI TEAS® Study Manual available at our campus Bookstore**

www.atitesting.com Website for help with the ATI TEAS