The Test of Essential Skills-ATI TEAS assessment is required for qualification and ranking into the Nursing programs.

1. **What is the cost of the ATI TEAS?**
   - $90 plus tax for all four subsections.

2. **How often can a student retest?**
   - A student can test or retest up to four times. After a fourth unsuccessful attempt to meet the minimum composite score, the student must wait 6 months prior to re-testing. (No exception.)

3. **When does a 6-month period start counting toward ATI TEAS testing and retesting?**
   - A six (6)-month period starts at the last time a student tests.

4. **What happens when a student has exhausted their four attempts without successfully meeting minimum composite scores?**
   - A student who has unsuccessfully attempted ATI TEAS, four times either at EPCC or at another institution will need to wait six months before retesting. (No exception.)

5. **Can students re-test on only portion(s) not passed or must they retest on all areas?**
   - Students must retest in all areas if they did not successfully meet minimum composite scores. They must also wait 21 days before retesting.

6. **Do weekends and holidays count toward the 21-day waiting period?**
   - Weekends and holidays do count toward the 21-day waiting period.

7. **What happens if I re-test prior to the 21-day waiting period?**
   - ATI will allow you to register for the exam with $90 test fee plus tax and EPCC Testing Center will administer the test, however, your test results will be invalid for EPCC qualification and ranking. Test scores will not be posted on our Banner system and No Refund will be provided by ATI.

8. **If I previously took the ATI TEAS assessment and passed three portions can I retest on one portion and have a composite of those scores?**
   - No, a composite score is ONLY valid if the composite score reflects all four subsections tested during one sitting.

9. **How old can test scores be?**
   - ATI TEAS scores are valid for two years and only the most recent scores will be used for qualification and ranking.

10. **What are the minimum passing scores for the Nursing programs at El Paso Community College?**
    - A minimum composite score of 57% based on all four subject areas: Reading, Math, English and Language Usage and Science is required for qualification and ranking. A composite score can only be attained through testing on all four areas at one sitting. Banner posting will reflect a minimum composite score of 57% as 0570.
11. **Study materials and their cost.**
   - ATI TEAS Study Manual-sixth edition----$50- (subject to change)
   - On-line Practice Assessment- Form A or Form B------$46 - (subject to change)

12. **Where can I get the ATI TEAS –sixth edition study materials?**
   - [www.atitesting.com/ati_store](http://www.atitesting.com/ati_store)
   - Local bookstores or online

13. **What are the weighted percentages for ranking with the TEAS?**
   - A composite score base on all four subjects will total 40% for ranking.

14. **What are the weighted percentages for the Ranking Courses?**
   - A total of 60% will be assigned for the ranking courses

15. **Will the maximum points change for ranking?**
   - ATI TEAS will weigh a total of 40% which equals **480 maximum points**
   - Ranking courses will weigh a total of 60% which equals **720 maximum points**
   - Total maximum ranking points equals **1,200**

16. **How often will our Testing Center provide the ATI TEAS and at which campus will students be able to test?**
   - ATI TEAS testing will be available only at the Administrative Services Bldg. located at 9050 Viscount.
   - The ATI TEAS testing schedule is located at the [www.epcc.edu/Resources/Testing Services/Specialized Testing](http://www.epcc.edu/Resources/Testing Services/Specialized Testing)

17. Once a student has tested, how soon will their scores be available on Banner?
   - Scores will be available in Banner **48 hours** after completion of test. Students can view and print an unofficial copy of their results anytime at [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com).

18. **Will we accept ATI TEAS scores taken at other institutions?**
   - ATI TEAS transcript must be officially sent from ATI. Check with ATI to determine fee assessed to send transcript. Unofficial scores cannot be accepted for qualification and ranking.

19. **Can we accept unofficial ATI TEAS scores?**
   - Unofficial ATI TEAS scores can be used for **advising purposes only**.

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For additional information, contact a designated Nursing counselor located at:
- Rio Grande Campus
  - 103 Montana, Student Services Bldg.
- Mission del Paso Campus
  - 10070 Gateway East, Bldg. C, Counseling Center.

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