

What is the TEAS test?

- The Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) administered by Assessment Technologies Institute (ATI) is a standardized, timed, computer-based exam designed to assess the general academic preparedness of students interested in applying to the Bismarck State College Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program. It measures knowledge in basic essential skills in the academic content areas of Reading, Mathematics, Science and English.

Why is the TEAS test being used?

- The Diagnostic Medical Sonography program is highly selective. The TEAS test is being utilized to help evaluate the students' academic readiness as part of the application process. The DMS program requires the following TEAS scores: **≥ 62 in Math and ≥ 73 in Reading**. It is recommended students verify that all DMS application requirements are met before attempting to take the TEAS exam.

What will I need in order to register for the TEAS test?

- Students taking the test must have a credit card and an email address to complete the online registration.
***Note:** It is important to remember your ATI login. You will need this on exam day. Students who do not have their ATI login may be turned away from taking the ATI TEAS exam.
- Visit <https://www.atitesting.com/> and select "I AM PREPARING FOR OR TAKING THE TEAS" to create ATI account.
- Select "TEAS for Allied Health" in the *Program Type* field.

Where do I go to take the TEAS test?

- Testing is administered at Bismarck State College Testing Services, 1500 Edwards Ave Schafer Hall 205, Bismarck, ND 58501. Students will receive a confirmation appointment notification from BSC Testing Services after registering online with ATI.

When should I take the TEAS test?

- Students must register for and take the TEAS test no less than 5 days prior to the application deadline. Tests taken after the application deadline will not be used for the current admissions cycle. Exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis by the DMS Program.

How long does the test take and when should I arrive?

- You will need to schedule at least 4 hours to take the test. You must arrive 30 minutes prior to the start of the test and you must have your ATI username and password. The tests will start promptly at the scheduled times. **Late arrivals will not be able to test and will not be rescheduled or refunded.**

What should I bring to the test?

- You will need a non-expired government-issued photo ID and your ATI username and password. If you are not prepared with log in credentials, you may be denied testing and will not be rescheduled or refunded. Calculators, cell phones, and other electronic devices are NOT allowed. Bring 2 or more #2 pencils and schedule 4 hours to take the test. Scratch paper will be provided by the testing center. A basic 4 function calculator is accessible on screen.

How much does the test cost?

- Students are required to prepay and pre-register for the TEAS test. The cost is \$82.00 effective November 1, 2020. Payment is accepted using major credit cards. Students are required to pay the testing fee at the time the test date is scheduled. Students should take a copy of their receipt along with them on testing day. All costs are subject to change without notice.

I want to study first. Is there a study guide?

- As with any standardized test, there are many ways to prepare. Please view links located at the bottom of this document. ATI, the company who creates and administers the TEAS test, offers comprehensive study guides which you may purchase at https://www.atitesting.com/ati_store/TEAS-Products.aspx.

Where do I find my scores?

- You will receive a full reports page immediately after taking the exam and can go in and view your results at any time in your ATI account using the login and password you created during registration.

What should I do with my results?

- Print out a copy of your results page and save it to your computer because you will need to send it to the DMS program as part of your application materials.

What is a passing score?

- The DMS program requires the following TEAS tests scores: **≥ 62 in Math and ≥ 73 in Reading.**

Can I take the test over?

- Applicants are allowed two (2) attempts at the TEAS exam with a minimum of 4 weeks (28 days) between attempts per application cycle. The best scores achieved, of two attempts, may be submitted. Exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis by the DMS Program.

Should I retake the TEAS each time I apply?

- TEAS scores are valid for two years. If the TEAS exam was taken more than two years before the application deadline (April 1st), you will need to re-test. If your scores on the TEAS exam do not meet the required minimums, then we strongly encourage you to re-test.

What if I can't make it to the testing date?

- If you can't make the purchased session and have a documented emergency, please contact: 800-667-7531, and they will let you know where to send documentation. If you miss the original purchase date, it will not count against you as an attempt, however you will have to pay for an additional session.

Links:

- [Everything you will want to know before taking the TEAS exam](#)
- [Register for TEAS](#)
- [Mometrix Academy – TEAS Test Preparation](#)
- [Practice Questions for the TEAS test](#)
- [ATI TEAS Prep Products](#)