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Dear Prospective Nursing Student,

All students who qualify to apply to the Nursing Program will be required to take an assessment test called the TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills). This test measures basic essential skills in the areas of Reading, Mathematics, Science, English and Language Usage. The TEAS is a 170 – Item, multiple choice assessment test. It is a 3 to 4 hour exam given in paper and pencil format.

The TEAS test is offered at Pierce College yearly in March, but can be taken at other schools and testing centers. There is no cost to the student taking the TEAS test at Pierce College. Scheduling for the exam is done only during the January thru March application filing period. An appointment is mandatory; no walk-ins will be accepted. The first TEAS results will be considered for admission purpose to Pierce College. Prepare for this exam by utilizing the work-study book (TEAS V edition) which can be obtained at [www.ATITESTING.com](http://www.ATITESTING.com) along with on-line test review practice exam.

Pierce College will be offering the test the following dates: **Circle the date signed up for:**

Monday – March 5, 2012 1 - 5 pm                      Saturday – March 10, 2012 9am - 1 pm

Monday – March 19, 2012 2 - 6 pm                      Saturday – March 17, 2012 9am – 1 pm

Monday – March 26, 2012 2 - 6 pm

Once your TEAS exam appointment date has been scheduled it cannot be changed. Please notify Karla (Nursing Department secretary) if you absolutely have to cancel, at [limakm@piercollege.edu](mailto:limakm@piercollege.edu)

**IMPORTANT:** *Before coming to the exam you must do the following:*

- a) Contact ATI at [www.ATITESTING.com](http://www.ATITESTING.com) and create an ATI account prior to taking the paper/pencil test. On their web site click on Create New Account and follow the screen prompts. You will receive a personal paper/pencil ID number displayed under Account Information. At this screen, print out your paper/pencil ID # - you are required to bring it the day of exam. The test can not be submitted nor graded without this ID#, which will go on your scantron. ATI's scantrons are provided in the exam. In addition, while at the web site, create a password so you can retrieve your test results/score by clicking on results under the Quick links section – several days after taking the exam.
- b) On the day of the exam, arrive 15 to 20 minutes early; bring two #2 pencils with an eraser, bring your driver's license or some other government picture ID, and the paper/pencil ID number.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Nursing Department