

# Admissions Information and Application Fall 2024-Fall 2025

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Application Requirements are on page 7. ALL items (1-5) must be completed before the Surgical Technology Application can be submitted. Applicants needing to take additional TSI remedial courses in the Summer I can apply the <u>Second week of June</u> with verification of course enrollment.

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### Surgical Technologist Profession Overview

The South Plains College Surgical Technology Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon the recommendations of the Accreditation Review Committee on Education in Surgical Technology (ARC/STSA).

Surgical Technology is a rapidly growing field with a high demand for professionals who can provide optimal patient care and utilize clinical knowledge in this vital role within the surgical team. It is a challenging and demanding field but is also rewarding and exciting. The Surgical Technologist scrubs in and participates in surgical procedures to assist the surgeons and other members of the surgical team. They will also prepare instrumentation and maintain the sterile surgical field. A successful Technologist possesses not only academic knowledge but critical thinking skills, clinical experience, integrity, and stamina. Some employment opportunities include hospital operating rooms, labor and delivery departments, central processing and sterile supply departments, private surgical technologist, emergency departments, county morgues, ambulatory surgical centers, and more.

The Surgical Technology program provides the student with the knowledge and skills required to sit for the national board certification exam, and in turn qualify the student for an entry-level position in the field of Surgical Technology, in accordance with the American Medical Association and the Accreditation Review Committee for Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting Program's Core Curriculum.

During the first and second semester of the program, students will have classroom and laboratory instruction in preparation for participation in the second and third semesters of clinical rotations through local affiliated hospitals. Classroom instruction conducted at the South Plains College, Reese Campus includes anatomy and physiology, medical terminology, microbiology, patient care in surgery, sterile technique, surgical techniques, instrumentation and surgical procedures.

Clinical experience is gained through rotations at University Medical Center in Lubbock, Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock/Levelland/Plainview, Covenant Women's and Children's Hospital in Lubbock, Lubbock Heart Hospital in Lubbock, North Star Surgical Center in Lubbock, and Covenant Surgicenter in Lubbock. The student functions as a member of the surgical team in the operating room under the supervision of the instructor, staff Surgical Technologists, or Registered Nurses. The clinical phase includes further scheduled classroom instruction, but the emphasis is placed on extensive clinical experience in actual surgical procedures. Students will participate in clinical rotations from 6:45 am until 3:00 pm Monday through Thursday in the summer, and Monday through Thursday in the fall.

### **DESCRIPTION OF THE PROFESSION**

Surgical Technologists are integral members of the surgical team who work closely with surgeons, anesthesiologists, nurses, and other surgical personnel in delivering patient care and assuming appropriate responsibilities before, during, and after surgery. Scrub, circulating, and second assisting surgical technologists have shared responsibility for maintaining the sterile field, being constantly vigilant that all members of the team adhere to the aseptic technique.

### 1. First Scrub Surgical Technologist

The scrub surgical technologist handles the instruments, supplies, and equipment necessary during surgical procedures. He or she has the necessary knowledge and ability to ensure quality patient care during the operative procedure and is constantly vigilant about maintaining the sterile field. Duties are as follows:

- a. Check supplies and equipment needed for surgical procedure
- b. Scrubs, gowns, and gloves
- c. Set up sterile table with instruments, supplies, equipment, and medications/solutions needed
- d. Perform appropriate counts with circulator prior to the operation and before incision is closed
  - e. Gown and glove surgeon and assistants
  - f. Help with draping the sterile field
  - g. Pass instruments/supplies/equipment to the surgeon and assistants during the procedure
  - h. Maintain the highest standard of sterile technique during procedure
  - i. Prepare sterile dressings
  - j. Clean and prepares instruments for terminal sterilization
  - k. Assist other team members with terminal cleaning of the room
  - I. Assist in preparing room for the next patient

### 2. Circulating Surgical Technologist

The circulating surgical technologist obtains additional instruments, supplies, and equipment necessary while the surgical procedure is in progress. He or she monitors conditions in the operating room and constantly assesses the needs of the patient and the surgical team. Duties are as follows:

- a. Obtain appropriate sterile and unsterile items needed for the procedure
- b. Open sterile supplies
- c. Check patient's chart, identify patient, verify surgery to be performed with consent forms, and bring the patient to the assigned operating room
- d. Transfer patient to operating room table
- e. Assess comfort and safety measures and provide verbal and tactile reassurance to the patient.
- f. Assist anesthesiologist
- g. Position patient using appropriate equipment

- h. Apply electrosurgical grounding pads, tourniquets, monitors, etc. before the procedure begins
- i. Prepare the patient's skin prior to draping by the surgical team
- j. Perform appropriate counts with the scrub person prior to the operation and before closure
- k. Anticipate additional supplies needed during the procedure
- I. Keep accurate records throughout the procedure
- m. Properly care for specimens
- n. Secures dressings after incision closure
- o. Help transport patient to the recovery room
- p. Assist in cleaning of the room and preparing for next patient

### 3. Second Scrub Assisting Technologist

The second assisting surgical technologist assists the surgeon and/or the first assistant during the operative procedure by carrying out technical tasks other than cutting, clamping, and suturing tissue. This role is distinct from that of the first assistant and may, in some circumstances, be performed simultaneously with the first scrub role. Duties are as follows:

- a. Hold retractors or instruments as directed by the surgeon
- b. Sponge or the suction operative site
- c. Apply electro-cautery to clamps on bleeding vessels
- d. Cut suture material as directed by the surgeon
- e. Connect drains to suction apparatus
- f. Apply dressings to the closed wound

### THE SURGICAL TECHNOLOGIST MUST BE ABLE TO:

- a. Stand, bend, stoop, and/or sit for long periods of time in one location with minimal breaks
- b. Lift a minimum of 20 lbs
- c. Demonstrate sufficient visual ability to load a fine suture (diameter of a human hair) onto needle holders while wearing safety glasses
- d. Demonstrate sufficient peripheral vision to anticipate and function while in the sterile surgical environment
- e. Hear and understand muffled communication without seeing the commander's mouth/lips, within 20 ft. distance
- f. Refrain from nourishment or restroom breaks for periods of up to 6 hours
- g. Hear activation/warning signals on equipment
- h. Detect odors sufficient to maintain environmental safety and patient needs
- i. Manipulate instruments, supplies, and equipment with speed, dexterity, and good hand/eye coordination
- j. Communicate and understand fluent English, both verbally and in writing
- k. Assist with and/or lift, move, position, and manipulate, with or without assistive devices, the unconscious patient

- I. Display short and long-term memory sufficient to perform tasks such as, but not limited to, mentally tracking surgical supplies and performing anticipation skills intraoperatively
- m. Make appropriate judgment decisions in high-stress situations
- n. Remain calm and respond effectively in emergency situations
- o. Exhibit positive interpersonal skills in patient, staff, and faculty interactions
  - Descriptions and requirements provided by the Association of Surgical Technologists

### **Program Mission/Purpose Statement/Objectives**

### **PROGRAM MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of this program is to provide didactic and clinical instruction that will enable individuals to perform as competent, entry-level Surgical Technologists qualified to sit for the certification exam; and to help satisfy the need for Surgical Technologists in the medical community.

### PROGRAM PURPOSE / OBJECTIVES

### **Upon graduation from the Surgical Technology Program:**

- 1. The student will sit for the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting Certification exam.
- 2. The student will demonstrate proper surgical scrub, and application of proper aseptic technique in creating and maintaining a sterile field.
- 3. The student will demonstrate proper procedure for passing surgical supplies, instrumentation, and equipment intraoperatively; and will don sterile and non- sterile surgical attire utilizing proper sterile technique.
- 4. The student will acquire an understanding of the medical terminology, anatomy and physiology, microbiology, patient psychosocial needs, and pharmacology related to surgical procedures.
- 5. The graduate will have performed the duties of a Surgical Technologist in at least 125 surgical procedures including all surgical specialties (35 of which will be performed independently), with satisfactory performance and behavior.

6. The student will acquire an understanding of the ethical, legal, moral, and medical values related to the patient and the Operating Room team during the perioperative experience.

### PROGRAM STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

- The student will pass the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting Certification exam.
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### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Admission to South Plains College is a <u>separate</u> admissions process that must be completed before applying to the Surgical Technology Program. Admission to the College does not guarantee admission to the Surgical Technology Program.

Applicants will be notified by mail of their acceptance status by the middle of July prior to the intended year of program enrollment. Program maximum enrollment capacity = 35

Applications will be accepted January 30, 2024, 8:00 am through July 1, 2024, 4:00 pm

Readmission to the Surgical Technology Program:

- All readmission candidates must complete and resubmit their application by the stated deadline.
- A student may request one (1) readmission into the Surgical Technology Program.
- Accepted students that fail to meet the requirement during the surgical program and resubmit into the program may do so only once.
- A student may be denied readmission.

1.	High school diploma or GED is required.	
2.	Applicant must be accepted to South Plains College.	*Applicant must be accepted to South Plains College prior to the Surgical Technology application deadline of July 1 <sup>st</sup> .
3.	Official high school transcripts, or prior college transcripts if applicable, are required to be on file with the SPC Admissions and Records office.	*Official transcripts must be on file with the College prior to the Surgical Technology application deadline of July 1 <sup>st</sup> .  *NO HOLDS on SPC account by July 1st
4.	Unofficial Transcript	
5.	TSI compliance in all areas is required for Associate Degree	A student may complete this by:  *Passing all areas of the TSI through testing  *Successfully passing the a remedial courses needed
6.	<ul> <li>Entrance Exam: ATI – TEAS</li> <li>Exam may be taken at the SPC Testing and Learning Center.</li> </ul>	TEAS7: \$75.00
7.	A current Surgical Technology Program application on file.  **DO NOT CONTACT PROGRAM ABOUT APPLICATION STATUS	Director: Kristie Cole South Plains College 819 Gilbert Drive, Building 2 Lubbock, TX 79416 Office (806)716-4643, kcole@southplainscollege.edu **Admissions committee will meet the 2 <sup>nd</sup> week in JULY

	Application Process for South Plains College
	o <b>Apply Online:</b> Visit the <u>South Plains College Application Page</u> to submit your
	application.
	<ul><li>Transcripts:</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Send ALL OFFICIAL transcripts to SPC. Digital submission is faster. Email</li> </ul>
	transcripts to: <a href="mailto:admissions@southplainscollege.edu">admissions@southplainscollege.edu</a> .
	TSIA2 Requirements:
	<ul> <li>Complete ALL TSIA2 requirements, which include:</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>Sitting for and passing the TSI exam.</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>Successfully completing TSI exam remedial courses.</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>Qualifying for TSI exam exemption or taking it if required.</li></ul>
	Pre-Requisite Requirements:
	<ul> <li>Fulfill the pre-requisite requirements, including:</li> </ul>
	Anatomy and Physiology (choose one option):
	<ul> <li>VNSG1420 – Anatomy and Physiology for Allied Health.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>BIOL2401 and BIOL2402 – Anatomy and Physiology I and II.</li> </ul>
	Medical Terminology (choose one option):
	<ul> <li>HPRS1106 – Essentials of Medical Terminology.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>HITT1305 – Medical Terminology.</li> </ul>
	ATI-TEAS Entrance Exam:
	<ul> <li>Sign up to take the ATI-TEAS exam at the Reese Testing Center.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>You can take the exam up to three (3) times during the current application year</li> </ul>
	Complete Application (January 30 - July 1st):
	<ul> <li>Download the application.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Fill out the application.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>If the email link doesn't work, save the application as a PDF with the format</li> </ul>
	"YOURLASTNAME_application" (e.g., Cole_application) and send it to
	kcole@southplainscollege.edu.
	Unofficial Transcripts:
	<ul> <li>Gather ALL unofficial college transcripts, including those from SPC, and send</li> </ul>
_	them to the Program Director.
	Schedule an Appointment:

Reese Center 819 Gilbert Drive, Bldg. 2 Lubbock, TX 79416

 Schedule an appointment with the Director if you have additional questions or wish to discuss your application in person. <u>Book an appointment here</u>.  By presenting the information in this format, it's easier to follow the steps and understand the application process clearly.

### REQUIREMENTS OF ACCEPTED APPLICANTS ONLY

- The applicant will perform a criminal background check upon admission to the program,
   AND by healthcare facilities before hiring graduates.
  - By signing and turning in this application, you are acknowledging a background check upon acceptance into the Surgical Technology program at your cost of \$48.00
  - \*Students previously employed by University Medical Center whose status is "non-rehire" are not eligible to attend clinical rotations at this facility.
- The physical examination report (<u>included with the acceptance letter</u>) is to be completed by the student's physician and submitted to the Program Director at Program Orientation in the Fall by the first week of December.
- The student must complete a <u>CPR for Healthcare Providers course (BLS only)</u> from the **American Heart Association**. There will be a sign-up sheet at orientation
- According to Texas State Law, and the policies of clinical affiliates, all students enrolled in health career programs must have the following immunizations:

TDAP	*within the past ten years			
Measles	*if born after 1/1/1957: must have 2 doses			
Mumps	*if born after 1/1/1957: must have at least 1 dose			
Rubella	*vaccine must be repeated if initially received before			
	1980			
Annual tuberculin skin	Yearly- please complete in November			
test				
Hepatitis B series	*must have proof of at least doses #1 and #2			
Annual flu vaccination				
Varicella	*proof of vaccine or a notarized letter from a parent			
	stating student has had the chickenpox			

<sup>\*</sup>Physical forms and shot records must be submitted by the first week of December. Failure to submit documents on time will result in dismissal from the program.\*

### Required supplies include:

- Scrub uniforms
- shoes for clinical rotations (2 pairs)

### **Associate of Applied Science Degree Plan**

2024-2025

Pre-Requisite:	BEFORE APPLYING	Lec Hrs	Lab Hrs	Ext Hrs	Cont Hrs	Cred Hrs
VNSG1420	Anatomy and Physiology for Allied Health*	4	0	0	64	4
HPRS1106	Essentials of Medical Terminology	1	0	0	16	1
	TOTAL HOURS:	5	0	0	80	5
Semester 1: (F			Ū			•
ENGL1301	Composition I	3	0	0	48	3
MATH1314	College Algebra (or MATH1332)	3	0	0	48	3
SCIT1313	Workplace Microbiology (Monday)	3	1	0	48	3
HPRS2200	Pharmacology for Health Professions (Monday)	2	0	0	32	2
SRGT1405	Introduction to Surgical Technology (Wednesday)	4	5	0	128	5
	TOTAL HOURS:	15	5	0	304	16
Semester 2: S	pring (2025) Tuesday-Thursday, Friday Lab					
SRGT1442	Surgical Procedures II	4	4	0	112	4
SRGT1541	Surgical Procedures I	5	4	0	112	4
HPRS1205	Medical Law & Ethics for Health Professions	2	0	0	32	2
SRGT1409	Fundamentals of Perioperative Concepts and Techniques	3	4	0	112	4
	TOTAL HOURS:	14	12	0	368	14
Semester 3: S	ummer (2025) Clinicals M-R 0630-1500					
<b>ENGL 1302</b>	Composition II	3	0	0	48	3
SRGT2130	Professional Readiness	1	0	0	16	1
SRGT1244	Technological Science for the Surgical Technologist	2	0	0	32	2
SRGT1560	Clinical- Surgical/Operating Room Technician	0	0	24	384	5
	TOTAL HOURS:	6	0	24	480	11
Semester 4: F	all Semester (2025) Clinicals M-R, Friday					
SRGT2661	Clinical- Surgical/Operating Room Technician	0	0	20	320	6
SRGT1291	Special Topics in Surgical/Operating Room Technician	2	0	0	32	2
PSYC2301	General Psychology	3	0	0	48	3
Humanities		3	0	0	48	3
	TOTAL HOURS:	8	0	20	448	14
	A.A.S Grand Total	45	16	44	1680	60

<sup>\*</sup>If BIOL2401 AND BIOL2402 are not complete upon acceptance to the program, the student will be enrolled in VNSG1420 to fulfill Anatomy and Physiology requirements of the program. \*HITT1305 is not complete upon acceptance to the program; the student will be enrolled in HPRS1106 to fulfill Medical Terminology.

<sup>\*\*</sup>please see advisor for approved courses for humanities elective

### SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS

Attached to this information packet is the Surgical Technology Program Application. Application guidelines are as follows:

- Applications will be accepted from January 30<sup>th</sup> through July 1<sup>st</sup> for each class to begin the Fall of that year. No early or late applications will be accepted.
- Applications will need to be sent to the Program Director no later than July 1st
  - o Faxed (806) 716-4643
  - Emailed: Kcole@southplainscollege.edu
  - o Mailed:
    - Attn: Kristie Cole, SRGT Program Director
       819 Gilbert Drive Building 2, office 223B
       Lubbock, Texas 79416
  - Hand-delivered
    - Reese Campus Building 2, office 223B
  - Class selection will occur the 2nd Week of July; all applicants will be notified by phone call, and email of their acceptance status.
  - IN PROGRESS FOR APPROVAL (by Surgical Technology Program Advisory Committee)
    - Students will now be accepted on a Point system (155 points):
      - 29 pts- Completed Program General Study Courses
      - 100 pts- Entrance Exam
      - **26 pts** Degrees and Medical Field Experience
  - Emails will be sent to the SPC email
- If re-applying to the program, it is the applicant's responsibility to meet with the Program Director before applying as admissions requirements are subject to change.

### **Please Note:**

- It is the applicant's responsibility to keep the Admissions and Records Office, and the office of the Program Director informed of <u>any changes to application</u> information such as test scores, contact information, name changes, etc.
- Applicants who do not have <u>ALL</u> college transcripts on file and/or HOLDS with the
   <u>Admissions and Records Office</u> and an entrance exam score on file with the College by
   July 1<sup>st</sup>, will NOT be considered for admission.
- Students that had been <u>accepted</u> and failed to complete requirements during the academic calendar year may re-apply.
  - \*Note: only a total of two (2) admission (initial admission and the readmission)



# APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

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ADDRESS:		CITY, STATE			ZIP CODE:			
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### **ATI TEAS 7**

### **Mission Statement**

The Testing Center helps support the institutional mission of South Plains College by supporting student retention and success by providing examinations and resources to assist academic and professional advancement to students and externally to the community. The Testing Center is committed to maintain the highest compliance with nationally recognized professional testing standards and practices, safeguarding confidentiality of student records, and creating an optimal testing environment. Within this framework, the Testing Center:

- Provides a public service by offering computer-based and/or paper-pencil testing services
- Provides assistance to various campus offices in helping students meet their needs for different programs
- Administers national and professional entrance, certification and advanced-standing examinations available to the college and community
- Provides a facility conducive to a quality testing environment which will be clean, comfortable, quiet, aesthetically pleasing and user-friendly
- Subscribes to the National College Testing Association's (NCTA's) Professional Standards and Guidelines for Post-Secondary Test Centers

### The Testing Center additionally supports student retention and success by:

- Administering appropriate exams to determine initial course placement
- Referring students to appropriate resources for test preparation and registration

### **Privacy and Confidentiality**

The privacy and confidentiality of all examinee personal information is critical. The test center does not maintain personal files on examinees; nor is information released to any third party or agency or any client receiving services at the test center. Communication of examinee information is restricted to the following: the examinee and the test center; the test center and the test provider; the examinee and the test provider; and the examinee and others as the examinee permits in a written statement.

### Security

The Test Center at South Plains College has security measures in place intended to protect against the misuse and alteration of testing materials under our control. Our computer network access to the infrastructure is protected by a firewall protection system. Audio and video taping of examinee information is regarded with confidentiality and privacy.

#### **Examinees**

No examinee is permitted access to any area of the test center that contains secure test materials or equipment.

### ATI TEAS 7 for Surgical Technology Application deadline: July 1, 2024

http://www.southplainscollege.edu/exploreprograms/healthoccupations/alliedhealth/surgicaltechnology.php

- All examinees must have an application on file with South Plains College.
- Applicants must be college ready according to SPC policy in ALL AREAS.
- At SPC, the TSIA2 Assessment is used to determine college readiness in reading, writing and math to meet state requirements, if not exempt. TSIA2 exemptions:
   https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\$ext.TacPage?sl=R&app=9&p dir=&p rloc=&p tloc=&p ploc=&pg=1&p tac=&ti=19&pt=1&ch=4&rl=54
- Student is responsible for checking TSI status.
- ATI TEAS 7 must be taken before application deadline.
- Online or remote TEAS test scores are <u>NOT</u> accepted.
- Scores expire yearly and need to be retaken every year the examinee applies.
- Students are allowed a total of three attempts in an application period.
- Cost of the TEAS test is \$75.00 (subject to change).
- Fees are non-refundable and non-transferrable.
- Check with program advisor about application questions and other requirements.

### TSIA2 Assessment scores needed to pass (if not exempt):

ELAR (reading & writing): 945 m/c with Essay 5 OR if below 945 m/c, diagnostic 5 and essay 5 Math: 950 OR if below 950, diagnostic 6

### **ATI TEAS 7**

Reading	Math	Science	English
45 questions	38 questions	50 questions	37 questions
55 minutes	57 minutes	60 minutes	37 minutes

### **Campus contacts:**

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Program Director

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**Testing Assistant** 

Latha Tucker (806) 716-4631 – Reese <u>testing@southplainscollege.edu</u>

**Testing Assistant** 

#### **HOW TO REGISTER FOR THE TEAS**

### Remote or online testing will not be accepted by the Surgical Technology program.

All examinees must have an application with South Plains College on file to register and a current, unexpired ID (i.e. driver's license, state or military ID, passport).

- 1. **Go to website:** http://www.registerblast.com/reese
- 2. On the **Exam Registration** page, choose "TEAS Surgical Technology" from the **group** listed.
- 3. Choose "TEAS Surg Tech (\$75.00)" from the **exam** drop down menu.
- 4. Select a test date from the drop-down menu. All available test dates will be displayed in **bold**. Test dates will close three (3) days prior to the test date or if seating capacity is reached. Click the left/right arrows to move to a different month.
- 5. Select the **time** from the drop-down box.
- 6. Enter the test taker's information.
- 7. Read the **Exam guideline acknowledgement** in the scroll box. Acknowledge the information by **clicking the check box underneath the scroll box.**
- 8. Complete the registration with the test taker's information. The SPC student ID number can be located on the SPC acceptance letter or when you log onto MySPC.
- 9. Select ADD TO CART.
- 10. The next page will show the test taker's cart. Please check to make sure the test, date, time and location are correct. Test taker has the option of adding another exam or checking out.
- 11. When checking out, complete the billing information and click Purchase Exams.
- 12. Once you click **Register**, and your transaction is completed, a confirmation of your registration will appear on the next page. When you receive the email confirmation of your registration, please print it. You must present the printed email on the day of the test.
- 13. Check in begins 30 minutes before test time.
- 14. Late examinees will not be admitted into the testing room.
- 15. All test fees are non-refundable and non-transferrable.
- 16. You must leave all prohibited items in your vehicle or at home. Prohibited items in the Testing Center include, but are not limited to: all electronic devices, cell phones, smart watches, calculators, packages, bags, hats/caps, sunglasses, drinks, food, any weapon, pen, paper and any unauthorized aids. If an electronic device is activated during the test, or if a student is found with a prohibited item, scores may be canceled, and it will affect future ability to test at South Plains College.

### ATI TEAS 7 Study Material

### Make sure study material was published after June 3, 2022, for TEAS 7

To be successful as with any examination, adequate preparation is essential. There are many websites that offer preparation assistance to the candidate, including free online practice tests and for-fee tutorials. This Resource Page lists online sites that offer study assistance. They are listed in no particular order and the student should determine the best review/study materials. Many of these may offer a money-back guarantee if you do not pass the TEAS. This list does not include all resources and the student may find other resources that are effective.

- Assessment Technologies Incorporated (ATI), who developed the TEAS exam, offers numerous ways to prepare for the examination ranging in price from \$25 to \$225, depending on the type of preparation. To explore these opportunities and find the one that is right for you, visit <a href="https://www.atitesting.com/solutions">https://www.atitesting.com/solutions</a>
- Online Prep Test offers practice tests and individual subject study guides. Some tests are free and study materials range from \$29 to \$99 dollars. Visit https://www.prenursingsmarter.com/prep/ for more information
- Mometrix University offers online prep work, instructional videos, flash cards and practice tests for \$69.99/month. Visit <a href="https://www.intelligent.com/best-teas-prep-courses-and-classes/#Mometrix">https://www.intelligent.com/best-teas-prep-courses-and-classes/#Mometrix</a>
- ➤ Pocket Prep offers many practice test options and is smart-phone friendly for only \$14.99/month. They do guarantee a pass or you have free access for three months. See <a href="https://www.intelligent.com/best-teas-prep-courses-and-classes/#PocketPrep">https://www.intelligent.com/best-teas-prep-courses-and-classes/#PocketPrep</a> for more information.
- > Study.com offers a free 30-day trial that includes lessons and practice questions. After the free trial, students pay \$59.99/ month and a student can obtain individual tutoring for an additional cost. This company also offers a money-back guarantee. Visit <a href="https://www.intelligent.com/best-teas-prep-courses-and-classes/#Studycom">https://www.intelligent.com/best-teas-prep-courses-and-classes/#Studycom</a>

The following websites offer "free" practice tests and offer additional study materials/lessons for a fee:

https://nursehub.com/free-ati-teas-vi-practice-test/

https://quizlet.com/264286353/ati-teas-practice-tests-flash-cards/

https://www.kaptest.com/teas/free/teas-practice

https://study.com/academy/exam/course/teas-test-study-guide.html

https://www.mometrix.com/academy/teas-practice-test/

https://www.test-guide.com/free-teas-practice-tests.html

https://uniontestprep.com/teas/practice-test

https://www.smarteditionacademy.com/free-teas-practice-test/

### **Test Taking Tips:**

Get plenty of sleep the night before. Lack of adequate rest will affect your efficiency.

- Relax. Too much worry and anxiety is neither necessary nor helpful.
- Mobilize your self-confidence; be positive, your attitude is important!
- Report illness or other conditions that would be a hindrance prior to beginning the test.

- Take care of any personal needs before the testing begins.
- Listen carefully to the oral directions that are given to you.
- Read the checklist carefully and follow the instructions exactly.
- Plan for maximum use of the time allotted for each part of the examination.
- Instructions for each part of the exam must be read and interpreted within given time limits.
- Read the questions carefully.
- Unanswered questions are scored as incorrect.
- Work rapidly and answer as many questions as possible.
- Do not waste time puzzling over a difficult question.
- When you have finished the easier questions, if there is time left, go back to any question you may have skipped in that part of the examination.
  - If you change an answer to a question, be sure the change is justified.

TEAS Schedule	e - TEAS for Surg Tech -	App deadline 07/01/20	024 (Fall 2024)
Day	Date	Time	Location
Monday	January 8, 2024	12:30 PM	<u>Reese</u>
Friday	January 19, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Monday	January 22, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Tuesday	January 30, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Wednesday	February 7, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Tuesday	February 13, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Thursday	February 22, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Monday	February 26, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Tuesday	March 5, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Tuesday	March 19, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Wednesday	March 20, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Tuesday	March 26, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Wednesday	March 27, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Monday	April 1, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Tuesday	April 2, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Tuesday	April 9, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Wednesday	April 10, 2024	9:30 AM	Reese
Wednesday	April 17, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Thursday	April 18, 2024	9:30 AM	Reese
Monday	April 22, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Tuesday	April 23, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Wednesday	April 24, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>

Wednesday	May 15, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Thursday	May 23, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>
Wednesday	May 29, 2024	9:30 AM	<u>Reese</u>