TEAS EXAM INFORMATION

General Information:

● The “Test of Essential Academic Skills” (TEAS) Version VI was released August 31st, 2016 and will be the required nursing entrance exam used as part of the nursing application.

● There is no minimum acceptable score for SCSU applicants. The department asks students to do their personal best. The average score of those accepted to the program each year changes however, the averages have ranged from low 70’s to low 80’s.

● SCSU only accepts one score per application cycle (Nov-Feb each year). If two scores are submitted, SCSU will only accept the 1st score.

● SCSU’s nursing department will post the designated exam dates on November 1st within the application. ATI may post these dates for registration prior to November 1st. Tests are not taken on campus. Location for this test is designated by ATI.

● Many students begin studying for the exam the summer before the fall application and take the exam before, during, and/or after the fall semester making sure a score it submitted to and received by the SCSU Department of Nursing by February 1st deadline.

● SCSU will not accept TEAS V scores from previous years.

● ATI will automatically submit scores to SCSU if the exam is taken during the dates designated for SCSU students between November and February of each year.

Information about taking the TEAS:

● “TEAS measures basic essential skills in the academic content areas of reading, mathematics, science, and English and language usage. The objectives assessed on the TEAS exam are those which nurse educators deemed most appropriate and relevant to measure entry---level academic readiness of nursing program applicants.”

● ATI Testing has the following prep items available for purchase: TEAS Study Package, TEAS Pre-Test Study Manual, TEAS Online Practice Assessments, TEAS Transcripts, and Learning Strategies: Your Guide to Classroom and Test-Taking Success.

● The TEAS test is a maximum of 3.5 hours long; 170 four-option multiple-choice questions; calculators may not be used; results are available 48 hours after completion of test.

● Please contact ATI Testing (www.atitesting.com) for all information and inquiries about the exam (how do I register, what does it cover, where is it located, how do I study, etc.).

● Exams may be taken out-of-state, but if the student wishes to submit the score, they would need to notify ATI to do so.

● Students may register for an exam that is not designated for SCSU students, but if the student wishes to submit the score, they would need to notify ATI to do so.