Dyersburg State Community College
Division of Nursing

LPN-RN FAST TRACK NURSING PROGRAM
<u>ENTRANCE EXAM GUIDELINES</u>

Please Read Carefully!

For applicants who have graduated from a Tennessee College of Applied Technology (TCAT) Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) Program within the last three (3) years:

1) Applicants may utilize their **exit** exam from the TCAT Center's LPN as their **entrance** exam for the Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) LPN-RN Fast Track Nursing Program.

2) The TCAT LPN exit exam may only be utilized as the LPN-RN Fast Track Nursing entrance exam if the licensed applicant graduated within the last three (3) years prior to the application deadline.

3) TCAT LPN exit exams are scored differently and will be utilized in the point calculation as follows:
   Kaplan – divided by 10
   ATI – divided by 10
   HESI – divided by 100

4) If an applicant does not choose to utilized their TCAT LPN exit exam or graduated more than three (3) years prior to the application deadline, the TEAS exam must be taken.

For LPN applicants who graduated more than three (3) years prior to the application deadline, the TEAS exam must be taken.

1) The TEAS Exam for admission into the DSCC Nursing Program **must** be taken prior to the application deadline. If the exam is taken at a location other than DSCC, it is the responsibility of the applicant to attach a copy of the exam score to the nursing application.

2) Students must wait six (6) months between testing dates. If students test prior to the six-month policy, the previous score will be used. DSCC Nursing and Testing Department are not responsible for cost associated with rescheduling test dates.

3) TEAS exam scores are good for three years from the application deadline.

4) DSCC Nursing will average the math and reading scores from the TEAS exam to obtain the student's test average. Although all portions of the test must be taken, only math and reading will be used for scoring purposes.

5) Students must follow the directions listed in the TEAS Testing Information link to schedule and pay for the exam. If DSCC is not listed as a testing location option, test dates have not been posted and students will need to check back at a later date.

6) Students should bring the username and password used to schedule the TEAS exam with them on test day. This same username and password will be used to log into the TEAS exam.

7) TEAS test dates will be posted throughout the year by the Testing Department. These dates will be posted in a timely manner to accommodate each of the application deadlines. If DSCC does not appear as a choice, no dates are available at that time. You will need to check back at a later date.

8) Do not wait to schedule your TEAS exam. Dates fill quickly and there will be no additional dates added. Scores of tests taken after the application deadline will not be accepted.