



## Steps for Admission to Practical Nursing Program

1. Pay non-refundable \$50.00 cash/debit or credit card (**checks are not accepted**) and schedule the practical nursing admissions exam (called HESI) at the Main Campus of the Tennessee College of Applied Technology, 426 Highway 91, Elizabethton. Students who do not take the exam on the scheduled test date must pay \$50 to reschedule the test. The HESI Exam, a timed test, covers Reading, Math, and Critical Thinking. To pass, students must score 70 overall and 70 or above in Reading.
2. Testing is currently given at the Tennessee College of Applied Technology, Main Campus, 426 Highway 91 North, Elizabethton. On the day of your test, bring a photo I.D. **You will not be allowed to test without your I.D.**
3. Students will be required to obtain their test results from their HESI account.
4. Upload the following documents and email them to [Admissions@tcatelizabethton.edu](mailto:Admissions@tcatelizabethton.edu) or deliver them to the Main Campus:
  - a. Provide a copy of HESI test results
  - b. Provide a copy of your high school diploma/transcript or GED.
5. Complete the online application for admission to TCAT Elizabethton from the college website, [www.tcatelizabethton.edu](http://www.tcatelizabethton.edu)

(Note: Partial completion of the required information listed above will not be accepted.)

6. **OBTAIN YOUR REQUIRED CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK.**
7. Attend student orientation. You will be contacted with the time and date of your orientation.
  - a. At the Main Campus in Elizabethton, Practical Nursing classes begin in May (Summer Trimester) and September (Fall Trimester).
  - b. At the Kingsport Campus, Practical Nursing classes begin in January (Spring Trimester).
8. To apply for financial aid, go to [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov). Our school code is 005281.

Applications and test results will be retained by The Tennessee College of Applied Technology Elizabethton for two (2) years.

Questions should be directed to Renee Hensley, Director of Nursing, telephone 423-543-0070, or you can email her at [Renee.Hensley@tcatelizabethon.edu](mailto:Renee.Hensley@tcatelizabethon.edu)

Thank you for choosing the Tennessee College of Applied Technology Elizabethton for your Practical Nursing education!

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