

REGISTRATION

Step 1. Select test site

- Log onto the NLN's registration system: www.nlnonlinetesting.org.
- Click for Registration Store
- Find Program-Pre-Admission Exam (PAX).
- Read and understand NLN Policies for testing then click "Register Now"

Step 2. Complete the registration form

- Type in a login ID and password for yourself.
- Provide your personal information including name, address, email address, date of birth, and social security number or student ID number.

Step 3. Select exam option, testing site, dates, and score recipients

- Select the exam option for Registered Nurse Program
- Select state and institution you wish to test.
- Select exam date and location.
- Select the schools to which you want NLN to provide your score.
- Agree to the terms of the registration agreement.

Step 4. Select payment information, confirmation

- Type in your credit card information and your billing address for a secure online payment.
- Confirm your selections and entries before finalizing the transaction.

Step 5. Print examination permit

- Download and print a permit verifying your purchase and granting you access to the exam on the test day.



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WEST KENTUCKY COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE

ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING PROGRAM

Pre-Admission RN Exam

Constructed by the
National League
For Nursing*

*The information in this
brochure applies only to the
Pre-Admission RN Exams
administered at
West Kentucky
Community & Technical College.

TEST DATES

Saturday,

- **December 5, 2009**
- **February 6, 2010**
- **June 5, 2010**

Refer to the Registration Form
for registration deadlines.

For more information call the
Nursing Office at 270-534-3466
or view our Web Site at
<http://nursing.westkentucky.kctcs.edu>

CONTENT OF EXAM

The Pre-Admission RN Exam consists of three tests—Verbal Ability, Mathematics, and Science.

One hour is allowed for each test.

VERBAL ABILITY

Two Subtests:

- *Word Knowledge*: measures the student's ability to identify the meaning of a word as it is used in a sentence. Students use clues from the sentence and employ deductive reasoning to identify the meaning of words.
- *Reading Comprehension*: focuses on student's reasoning and critical thinking ability. Short passages about health problems and social issues require the student to analyze and interpret the material. Questions assess the ability to determine the main ideas and supporting details, draw conclusions, make inferences, and apply information to new situations.

MATHEMATICS

Straight calculations and word problems cover basic operations (integers, decimals, fractions, and percents), algebra, geometry, conversions, graphs, and concepts.

SCIENCE

Five Subtests:

- *General biology*: tests knowledge of cell structure and function, evolution, ecology, genetics, human anatomy and physiology, and plant and animal biology.
- *Chemistry*: examines basic characteristics of matter, atoms and elements, types of chemical changes, gas law, electrochemistry, biochemistry, and organic chemistry.
- *Physics*: covers mechanics, thermodynamics, waves, electricity and magnetism, nuclear physics, and research procedures.
- *Earth Science*: reviews basic understanding of astronomy, geology, and metrology.
- *Anatomy/Physiology*: reviews basic understanding of Human Anatomy and Physiology.

STUDY GUIDE

The NLN Pre-Admission Exam Study Guide may be purchased in the WKCTC Bookstore.

TEST SITE & CHECK-IN

All examinations will be held in the WKCTC Allied Health Building. On the day of the exam students will report to the lobby of the Allied Health Building for check-in.

Bring your examination permit and a picture I.D. to check-in.

Due to recommendations by the National League for Nursing, students at WKCTC may not take the exam more than once in a 12 month period.

TESTING

The exam will begin promptly at 8:30 a.m. and will last until 12:00 noon.

NO ONE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE EXAM LATE.

Calculators cannot be used during testing.

NO REFUNDS

Refunds will not be given to students who miss an exam. However, students may call the Nursing Office at 270/534-3466 prior to the registration deadline and change to the next test date.

If a test date is missed, the student can register for the next available exam and pay an additional registration fee.

SCORING AND REPORTING

Performance on each of the three tests (Verbal Ability, Mathematics, and Science) is reported as both a raw score and as a percentile score. In addition, a composite score is provided. The composite score (a weighted combination of the scores on the three tests) is reported as a standard score as well as a percentile. **This composite score will be used for nursing admissions.**

Two copies of your Pre-Admission RN scores will be generated. One will be sent to West Kentucky Community & Technical College and the other to the examinee. The official test results will be placed in your permanent file in the Admissions and Records office. Results should be received in approximately 3 weeks.

Additional test reports are \$25 per report. To order, send written request and payments (money order or certified check only) to:

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