Paramedic Program pre-testing change
Effective October 2011 (for potential admission to January 2012 and subsequent Paramedic Programs)
The Health Education Systems, Inc (HESI)
Admission Assessment (A²) Exam Information

Completion of the Admission Assessment (A²) Exam serves as the written exam portion of the Paramedic Program pre-testing process. Potential admission into the Columbus State Paramedic Program is based on a point system involving your written exam score, field experience/ALS affiliation, and previous college course work, as well as completion of the following:

- Current Ohio EMT-Basic certification. SUBMIT COPY OF CARD;
- Submit a completed, accurate program application;
- Submit a letter of recommendation written by either your EMS Supervisor or EMT Instructor;
- Have successfully completed EMS 201 PRIOR to the beginning of class;
- Have submitted ALL required paperwork described above by a specific posted date and time.

Applicants are encouraged to obtain the Evolve Reach Admission Assessment Exam Review by HESI. The study guide is available for purchase at the Columbus State bookstore or evolve.elsevier.com

**Study Guide:**
Evolve Reach Admission Assessment Exam Review, 2nd Edition

Students may take the exam only ONCE during each pretest cycle.
Minimum score required for potential admission is 75.
A² exam scores from other schools will not be accepted.
Students have up to 6 hours to complete the exam.
Students will receive their printed score from test center staff once their exam is completed.

Cost: $45 for 1st time test takers
$65 for those students who are a no call/no show & then attempt to re-schedule
* Important - Students must call and re-schedule their appointment 24 hours in advance if they cannot keep their scheduled test time or they will be considered a no call/no show.

To register for the exam:
1. Contact the Testing & Talent Assessment Center at (614) 287-5750 to schedule a testing appointment. Exams begin at 9:00am & are available Monday thru Saturday; there will be specific start and end dates posted for the Paramedic Program pre-testing. The Testing & Talent Assessment Center is located at 315 Cleveland Ave., 2nd floor Room 223.
2. Pay the testing fee at the CSCC Cashier’s Office—Rhodes Hall, 2nd floor
3. On your test day, please bring your paid receipt AND a photo ID to the Testing & Talent Assessment Center.
**Admission Assessment (A²) Content Information:**

1. **Math:** 50-item exam. Focuses on math skills needed for health care fields, including basic addition, subtraction, multiplication, fractions, decimals, ratio and proportion, household measures, general math facts, etc. Time allotment: 50 minutes.

2. **Reading Comprehension:** 47-item exam. Provides reading scenarios in order to measure reading comprehension, identifying the main idea, finding meaning of words in context, passage comprehension, making logical inferences, etc. Time allotment: 60 minutes

3. **Vocabulary and General Knowledge:** 50-item exam. Contains vocabulary terms that are commonly used in both general English speaking settings and in health care fields. Time allotment: 50 minutes.

4. **Grammar:** 50-item exam. Contains basic grammar, including parts of speech, important terms and their uses, commonly occurring grammatical errors, etc. Time allotment: 50 minutes

5. **Anatomy and Physiology (A&P):** 25-item exam. Provides coverage of general terminology and anatomical structures and systems. Time allotment: 25 minutes.

6. **Biology:** 25-item exam. Covers biology basics, water, biological molecules, metabolism, cells, cellular respiration, photosynthesis, etc. Time allotment: 25 minutes.

**A² Learning Style/Personality Profile:**

1. **Learning Styles:** 14-item assessment of preferred learning style. Time allotment: 15 minutes.

2. **Personality Style:** 15-item assessment of personality related to preferred learning style. Students receive a printout with study tips based on their learning style and personality profile. Time allotment: 15 minutes.