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TEAS V test prep programming is offered for learners interested in preparing for the TEAS V exam, a standardized online exam that is used as an admissions tool for several programs at local community and technical colleges, including all MANE (Minnesota Association of Nursing Education) nursing programs in Minnesota (III, 8). The TEAS V Test Prep Team consists of members from Anoka Ramsey Community College, Anoka Technical College, Metro North Adult Basic Education, and Cambridge Isanti Adult Basic Education (VI, 5). Anoka County Job and Training Center serves as a stakeholder partner in the project.

Anoka Ramsey Community College (Coon Rapids and Cambridge) and Anoka Technical College donate the classroom space to host classes (VI, 4). Cambridge Isanti and Metro North ABE provide the instructors for the classes. Accommodations for learners are provided onsite or through the school districts, with referrals and connections made to the disability services coordinators on campus. Referrals are also made to the Anoka County Jobs and Training Center for additional financial supports as appropriate.

Over 200 learners have completed TEAS test prep classes since their inception in 2013, with an average of 65% of eligible participants showing a level gain in the 48-hour class.

When the local colleges implemented the use of the TEAS V exam as part of their admissions requirements, it was most often as part of implementing the MANE curriculum on campus, not always because there was a deep knowledge of the exam by faculty. There was interest expressed early on to have ABE take the lead in providing instruction to help learners prepare for the exam (VI, 3). After establishing a solid curriculum and creating protocols for outreach, intake, data collection, and partnerships, Metro North ABE has presented at local conferences (DEED, Summer Institute) and has shared curriculum and program development information with Inver Hills Community College, Dakota Technical College, Metro South ABE, Century College, and Ridgewater College, along with their respective ABE/college partners. To date, TEAS V test prep classes have been planned for or implemented in at least four other college/ABE partnerships.