# EMSTESTING.COM 

## StudentManual

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## EMSTesting User Guide

EMSTesting.com offers you a faster, easier and more comprehensive way to prepare for your National Registry test and/or state certification exams online. We know the site has a lot of functionality behind it, so we have provided this guide to help you through the process of learning the site so you have the tools you need to use it effectively and confidently.

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To provide you with our very best customer service, we always welcome any comments or feedback you can provide to improve the EMSTesting.com web site and/or its functionality and usefulness to you.

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## STUDENT SIGNUP

Student Signup is now done in my.platinumed.com. If you need assistance with signing up please refer to the PlatinumEd Student User Guide.

## HOME PAGE

Select Student Home from the navigation bar along the top part of the screen.

## CLASSES

You will see your Current Classes on the top upper left by default. There are also links to your completed and upcoming classes. Just click the links to view the other options.

## ASSESSMENTS

Your Current Assessments will show on the lower left of the screen. Once you complete them they will not show on current and go to the complete area. Just click on Completed to view completed assessments.

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CurrentAssesments
            Current | Complete
EMT-PMathAssesment
    120Qustions
Leaming StyleAssesment
    25\mp@code{ustions}
| Math?
oquestion
Paramedic EntyAssessment
150 Questions
Reading LevelAssesment
    1 Questions
StudentMotvation Assesment.
36Questions
TestAnxiet/Assesmment
```



```
First5 Current Tests 5| 10| 50| All
```

    Current | Complete | Missed |Upcoming
    If you are required to take the assessments by your instructor, expand out each assessment and click the take test button.

Note: The system has a timer that will log you out after 30 minutes of inactivity.

## CURRENT TESTS

```
Current Assessments
Current|Complete
EMT-PMathAssessment
120 Questions
L Learning StyleAssessment
25Questions
Math?
    OQuestions
Paramedic EntryAssessment
150Questions
ReadingLevelAssessment
1Questions
\tudent Motivation Assessment
36Questions
TestAnxietyAssessment
23Questions
First5 Current Tests
    5|10|50|All
Current | Complete | Missed | Upcoming
```


## ALERTS

The Alerts section communicates to you your activity in the system. To remove alerts from your dashboard, click the " $x$ " next to the alert you no longer want to show.

```
System Alerts
Apr 27 EMSTesting Class Enrollment-EMS Test Class [Platinum Educational Group's Academy]
Apr 27 EMSTesting Open Student Enrollment - Platinum EJ
Apr 27 EMSTesting Welcome to EMSTesting.com!
all alerts
```


## MESSAGES

The messages section provides communication between you, your school, your instructor and/or your classmates. To send a message click the New Message button.


Click the drop-down to select a recipient. Complete the subject field, click "Important" if you want others to see the message as important, then type your message. Click the Send button.

## TAKING AN ADMISSIONS ASSESSMENT TEST ONLY

Login to your student account. If you need help creating an account, please go to the Student Signup section of this manual above. Your instructor will need to accept your enrollment request before you can take the assessment testing.

## EMSTESTING.COM

Please select a role

- Student - Paramedic 2015-2016

Click on the red student link "Student - Your Class name" from your dashboard. You will be directed to your Student Home page.

```
STUDENT HOME
```

Current Classes

- Paramedic 2015-2016

Begins: 11/1/2014 Ends: 12/31/2017
Instructor(s): Demo Instructor, Jason Jensen
Class Summary
New Class 2014-2017

Current Assessments

- EMT-P Math Assessment

120 Questions

- Learning Style Assessment
${ }^{25}$ Questions
- Paramedic Entry Assessment

150 Questions

- Reading LevelAssessment

1 Questions

- Student Motivation Assessment 36 Questions
- Test Anxiety Assessment
${ }^{23}$ Questions

Interested in some videos? View our How to Read a Textbook video, How to Study Video or How to Take a Test Video.

View our How to Take a Test in EMSTesting.com video!

System Alerts
Jun 29 PlatinumEd EMSTesting.com Class Enrollment Accepted - Paramedic X 2015-2016
Jun 29 PlatinumEd EMSTesting.com Class Enrollment Request - Paramedic 2015- X 2016 [Platinum Education - JJJ]
all alerts

```
Messages
MNew Message
```

You have no new messages.
all messages

On the left under your Current Classes area you will see Current Assessments.

Current Assessments

- EMT.PMathAssessment 120 Questions

Learning Style Assessmen 25 Questions
Paramedic Entry Assessment 150 Questions

- Reading LevelAssessment 1 Questions

To start taking a student assessment expand the panel and click the Take Test button. Work your way through all the assessments. If you would like to leave the test click the Student Home link. You will be able to resume your test at another time.

Once you have completed the assessments, you will see a test results button. Your instructor will also have the ability to review your results.

## TAKING A TEST

Tests that have been made available to you by your instructor will appear for you in the section labeled "First Five Current Tests". Select the test you want to take from the current tests listed along the bottom left side of the screen.


Click the Take Test button.

## TESTING Instructions

EMS Test:My Demo Test Details
©

- This test is available between 11/20/2014 12:00 AM and 11/21/2016 12:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time)
- There is no time limit for this test.
- If the test is exited for any reason after the test end date/time has been reached the test will be closed.
- IMPORTANT: Do not use the web browsers "back" button during testing.

Additional Instructor Notes
How to take this test.

You will see details on your test such as the tests availability, if there is a time limit set for test and any additional instructions from your instructor. Please review these instructions so you are aware of any additional information regarding the test.

Select the Begin Test button to begin taking the test.
Note: You will need to agree to our terms of use agreement before entering the test.

```
My DEmo Test
```

    20 Questions
    Question \#1

Which of the following is the leading contributor to prerenal acute renal failure?
Infection.
Inflammation.
Hypoperfusion.
Diabetes mellitus.


You will see some different information on the right of your test.
Timer: If you have a timed test, there will be a timer in the upper right portion of the screen. If there is no time limit set for the test this will not show.

The following are optional, but are great to use to help your instructor make the best tests possible:
Confidence level: Select your level of confidence regarding your answer to the question.
Discuss in class: Click the box if you would like to indicate to your instructor that you would like this question to be reviewed in class.

Leave feedback: Clicking this will open a new window allowing you to leave feedback on the question. This feedback will be sent to the class instructor and to Platinum Education for review. Caution: The timer continues to run while leaving feedback.

To answer your questions, just select the box next to the answer and click the Next button to continue.

## Student Testing Results

MY DEMO TEST IS COMPLETE
Your results will be avalable on $11 / 21 / 2016$ after 12:00 AM

Once you have finished your test, click on the Student Home link to go back to your EMSTesting home page.



To find your completed test, go to the "First 5 Current Tests" box and click the Completed link. You will see a Test Results button next to your completed test(s).

## TAKING A PLATINUM SECURE TEST

Select the test you want to take from the current tests listed along the bottom left side of the screen.


## Click the Take Test button.

```
TESTING INSTRUCTIONS
    EMSQuiz: New Testing Details
        - This test is available between 6/8/2014 12:00 AM and 6/8/2016 11:50 AM (Eastern Standard Time)
        - There is no time limit for this test.
        - If the test is exited for any reason after the test end date/time has been reached the test will be closed.
        - IMPORTANT: Do not use the web browsers "back" button during testing.
```

    Secure Testing Environment Required
    This test requires additional software in order to take the test. If you click the "Begin/Resume Test" button and nothing happens you will need to download and install the following software:

In the first information section, you will see details on your test such as the tests availability, if there is a time limit set for test and any additional instructions from your instructor. Please review these instructions so you are aware of any additional information regarding the test.

This test requires additional software in order to take the test. If you click the "Begin/Resume Test" button and nothing happens you will need to download and install the following software:

PLEASE NOTE: Platinum Secure Testing requires a full version of Windows or MacOS and will NOT run on mobile devices such as: iPad, iPhone, etc.
Download Platinum Secure Testing for Windows
Download Platinum Secure Testing for Mac
We recommend selecting "Run" or "Open" if prompted to install the required software. Once the software has been installed please try clicking the "Begin/Resume Test" button again.

IMPORTANT: Before you begin your test you must close all other open programs.

If you need additional assistance please click the "Contact Tech Support" button located in the menu bar above.

## Begin Test

In the second information section, you will see instructions for downloading the software required to take a Platinum Secure Test. Click the link for the operating system you are running (Windows or MacOS).

We recommend selecting "Run" or "Open" if prompted to install the required software.
IMPORTANT: Before you begin your test you must close all other open programs.
Once the software has been installed click the Begin Test button, then click the Launch Application button in the grey dialog box.

PLEASE NOTE: Platinum Secure Testing requires a full version of Windows or MacOS and will NOT run on mobile devices such as: iPad, iPhone, etc. (However there is currently a platinum secure app available for download for iPads. Requires iOS 7 or higher.) Please also review our Platinum Secure Testing Guide.

## REVIEWING TEST RESULTS

Go to your home page. On the bottom left, where you originally took your test you will see a link for complete tests. Click the Complete link and choose the test you want to see the results of. The amount of feedback you will receive is set by your instructor.


Then click the Test Results button. The screen will let you know what you scored and if you passed the test.

```
Student Testing Results
NICE JOb!
You scored \(95 \%\) on this test. The minimum score required to pass was \(57 \%\).
```



## DETAILED SUMMARY

If you have been granted further access the Next Page button will appear at the bottom-right of the window.

This page will display your Tests Start/End Time, your Bloom Level Statistics, your Reading Level Statistics, as well as your Cut Score Statistics for that particular test.

| Student Testing Results |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Test Start/End Time <br> Test Start Time | Test End Time | Bloom Level Statistics |  |  |
|  |  | Bloom Level | Asked | Score |
| 4/27/2015 10:09 PM | 4/27/2015 10:11 PM | 1-Knowledge | 20 | 95\% |
| Reading Level Statistics |  | Cut Score Statistics |  |  |
| Average Reading Level |  | Cut Score | Asked | Score |
| Incorrect Answers | 8.0 | 0.36 | 3 | 100\% |
| Correct Answers | 11.5 | 0.45 | 6 | 100\% |
|  |  | 0.60 | 8 | 100\% |
|  |  | 0.90 | 3 | 67\% |
| < Previous Page |  |  |  |  |

The Tests Start/End Time will indicate when you began and finished your test.
The Bloom Level Statistics will indicate what percentage of questions at a certain Bloom level you answered correctly for each of the 6 Bloom levels that might have appeared on that test.

1 - Knowledge: You can recall or recognize information and ideas in the approximate form in which they were presented.
2-Comprehension: You can translate and understand information based on prior learning.
3 - Application: You can use previously learned principles to complete a problem or task.
4 - Analysis: You can draw connections among ideas as well as break information into parts by identifying motives or causes.
5 - Synthesis: You can combine previously learned concepts and ideas in a new way that was not presented to you.
6 - Evaluation: You can make a judgment based on specific standards and criteria.

The Reading Level Statistics will indicate the average reading grade level of the questions you answered correctly as well as the questions you answered incorrectly.

Example: a 9.5 would indicate a mid-ninth-grade reading level
The Cut Score Statistics will indicate the percentage of questions you answered correctly for each of the cut scores associated with questions that might have appeared on your test.

We use the Nedelsky method for determining the cut score of questions. This primarily looks at the number of reasonable distractors contained in the question that the average student may be tempted to select. The higher the cut score of the question, the lower the difficulty.
.90 Cut Score indicates the questions has one correct answer and no good distractors.
. 60 Cut Score indicates a question with a correct answer, 1 good distractor, and 2 poor distractors. . 45 Cut Score indicates a question with 1 correct answer, 2 good distractors, and 1 poor distractor. . 36 Cut Score indicates a question with 1 correct answer and 3 good distractors. These are the REALLY tough questions.

## ADVANCED SUMMARY

The Advanced Summary may also be available, if you have been given access. On the Detailed Summary page (above) there will be an additional Next Page button.

Click that button to see your Advanced Summary.


This page will contain a Curriculum Breakdown of the test. It will indicate which topics and objectives were associated with the questions on the test, as well as the percentage of questions answered correctly for those topics and objectives. This can help you identify areas that may benefit from additional study.

## TEST REVIEW

On the Advanced Summary screen (above) there may be another Next Page button. Click that to review your test.

Click on the questions to see the answer and the annotation to the questions. Correct answers with be marked in green, and any incorrect answers you may have selected will appear in red.

## Student Testing results

Test Review

| Ipratropium is effective for the treatment of asthma because of which of the following actions? |
| :--- |
| It dilates the alveoli. <br> It relaxes the bronchial smooth muscle. <br> It inhibits the build-up of fluid in the lungs. <br> It removes excess fluid collecting in the lungs. <br> Annotation: Ipratropium relaxes bronchial smooth muscle, which results in bronchoodilation via an increase in adenyl cyclase within the cell. This is known <br> as "direct" bronchodilation. <br> 2 |
| Hypoventilation from an injury or disease would BEST be defined as: |

If you want to go back to your detailed information, click the Previous Page button on the bottom left side of the screen.

## GRADE BOOK

Another avenue to obtain test results is by selecting the Class Grades icon found under the associated class.

```
Current Classes
            Upcoming | Current | Completed
- Bosic Demo2014
V Demo Class-MFR
Begins: 8/1/201U Enas: &/30/2013
Instructor(s): System Administrator
Class Summary
EMSTesting.com Demo MFR Classroom.
```



Then click the name of the test, which is highlighted in red text.


Note: On the right hand side of this screen shot you will see that the Class Segment is selected, the test you are looking for may be found in a different class segment. The test is placed into the class segment by the end date of the test. There is also a toggle for Show Test Details and Show Grade Summary. The Show Grade Summary toggle shows a total percentage of your grade for each type or category of test as well as the grade you need to pass the test, set by your instructor.


Your overall grade is a weighted average of all completed tests, quizzes, and final exams and any other grades that the teacher has assigned.

## Student Testing Results

## NICE JOB!

You scored $95 \%$ on this test. The minimum score required to pass was $57 \%$.

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## ADAPTIVE TESTING

Click the Adaptive Testing button under your associated class.

Current Classes

Paramedic 2015-2016
Begins: 11/1/2014 Ends: 12/31/2017
Instructor(s): Demolnstructor
Class Summary
New Class 2014-2017

You will be brought to the adaptive tests page for your class where you will see a list of your adaptive tests.

## al View Class Summary

Test Created 2015－04－09 14：56 EDT 1－Preparatory（Standard Test（Not Timed））

自 Test Created 2015－03－14 08：06 EDT 1－Preparatory（Standard Test（Not Timed））

自 Test Created 2014－11－25 11：34 EST 1－Preparatory（Standard Test（Not Timed））

眘 Test Created 2014－11－03 21：08 EST 1－Preparatory（Standard Test（Not Timed））

界 Test Created 2014－10－13 17：55 EDT 1－Preparatory（Standard Test（Not Timed））

New Adaptive Test
complete test
complete test
complete test
complete test
view results

You can continue any tests（yellow）in process by selecting the complete test button．When a test is complete，you will be able to view your results by clicking on the view results button（green）．

## START A NEW ADAPTIVE TEST

To start a new adaptive test，click the New Adaptive Test button on the top right of the page．


Select your test type，curriculum，question bank and module for testing．By default，all modules are disabled．Your instructor determines when and if a module is enabled．

If you choose a test type that is timed，your test will consist of 30 minutes per module．Each module can be up to approximately 30 questions．

From the Select a Module drop－down，if you choose Comprehensive，the test will be approximately 30 questions on each module that your instructor has enabled for the curriculum you chose．（Note：If all modules are enabled in a curriculum and Comprehensive is selected，this test could potentially take multiple hours to complete．）

Click the Start button to begin your test．
Answer all questions to the best of your knowledge．Click Next for the next question．


#### Abstract

You respond to a call for a 33-year-old female who had initially complained of abdominal pain on a very hot and humid day. The patient is now unconscious and breathing shallow with minimum chest movement. Friends tell you that the patient was healthy before she complained of abdominal pain. How would you expect to find her skin?


Pale.
Sweaty.
Cyanotic.
Clammy.
$\sim_{\text {Flag Question }} \underbrace{}_{\text {Submit Feedback }}$

Upon completion you can view your results at the end of your test. Or you can go to the adaptive test page and click the view class summary button.


## SUMMATIVE RESULTS

The Summative Results data (above) shows how well the test taker or student did on a single computer adaptive test. In this instance, a Good is when the student or test taker has met two out of
the three benchmarks for success (percentile ranking, average score, highest difficulty). A percentile ranking of 99, means that the student has exceeded the greater than $51 \%$ required. The student or test taker has been asked $\mathbf{3 0}$ questions, has answered $\mathbf{2 6}$ questions correctly for an average score of $\mathbf{8 7 \%}$, well above the required 65\% correct.

Note: Summative data compares against all curriculum levels and may be different from the other data indicators shown below it.

## OVERALL INDICATION

The Ranks of Fail, Not Good, Good, and Exceptional, are based on surpassing the benchmark on 3 criteria: Percentile Ranking, Average Score, and Highest Difficulty.

A ranking of Fail means you were unable to surpass any of the benchmarks.
A ranking of Not Good means you were able to surpass one of the benchmarks.
A ranking of Good means you were able to surpass two of the benchmarks.
A ranking of Exceptional means you were able to surpass all three of the benchmarks.

## PERCENTILE RANKING

This percentage represents where you are positioned within the schools in our system. For example, an overall percentile of 67 means you are in the top third of the system's test takers testing at that provider level in the modules selected for this test.

## AVERAGE SCORE

This is the percentage of questions you answered correctly.

## HIGHEST DIFFICULTY

This describes the most difficult questions you were exposed to during testing. A question with a difficulty of 0.0 would be one that no one ever misses and a difficulty of 0.96 would be an item that hardly anyone ever gets correct.

## CURRICULUM BREAKDOWN:

This is a breakdown of how well you did in each area of the testing. Click any of the arrows for more detail. The objectives listed can be found in the Curriculum Handout (PDF) on the upper right of the page. The name of the button will reflect the Curriculum the test was taken in.

If you leave your results page you can always go back the view results button next to your completed test.

## VIEW ADAPTIVE TEST CLASS SUMMARY

The class summary contains a summary of all the adaptive tests you have taken in the system.

ADAPTIVE TESTS FOR CLASS：BASIC DEMO 2014

| Test（s）currently associated with this class． | all View Class Summary | I New Adaptive Test |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 首Test Created 2015－04－09 14：56 EDT 1－Preparatory（Standard Test（Not Timed）） |  | complete test |
| 首Test Created 2015－03－14 08：06 EDT 1－Preparatory（Standard Test（Not Timed）） |  | complete test |
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| 首Test Created 2014－10－13 17：55 EDT 1－Preparatory（Standard Test（Not Timed）） |  | view results |

To view the summary，click on the View Class Summary button on the top right of the page．The summary you will see will just be for the computer adaptive tests summary．

To view a summary report by provider level and curriculum for a class，go to your home page and click the Summary Report button in your Current Classes area．


Select your Provider Level and Curriculum and then click Run Report．

Results for Class: Paramedic 2015-2016, Student: Student, Demo


Detailed Results
You will see a Static Test Report tab, an Adaptive Report tab and a Group Test Report tab.
Please see the information above for a description of Overall Indication, Percentile Ranking, Average Score and Highest Difficulty and Curriculum Breakdown.

