



OKLAHOMA CareerTech

BMITE

Business, Marketing & Information Technology Education

Monday Madness - November 15, 2021

PRECISION EXAMS

by youscience

Precision Exams by YouScience will be hosting a FREE certification workshop on **Thursday, December 2, 2021**. This one-day event will be held at our agency headquarters in Stillwater, OK from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Registered attendees are welcome to spend the full day with us or drop in at their convenience.

Whether you currently use Precision Exams by YouScience or would like to consider them as an option for your students, this is your opportunity to gain insight on exam objectives and content, explore the delivery platform, and learn about the new resources and benefits available for exam-takers.

Precision Exams by YouScience offers more than 200 exams aligned to industry-driven standards for use in the classroom. You can view the full offering and even download the objectives for each exam by visiting their [Exam Catalog](#).

This full-day event will include:

- an opportunity to take up to three (3) certification exams
- professional development workshops (optional)

- complimentary lunch

To reserve your spot, please register at the link below: [Precision Exams Certification Workshop Registration](#)

TestOut Grant

Spring 2022 for MS Office and IT Classes

We want to provide your teachers, and students access to the FREE TestOut Spring 2022 grant. Our grant provides full access to our **Microsoft Office** and **Information Technology** (Computer Hardware, Software, Security, etc.) virtual curriculum for the entire spring semester.

Who is TestOut?

With over 30 years of experience working with educators, TestOut continues helping thousands of students across the nation prepare for the workforce and pass industry certification exams. We work with over 2,000 schools and 16 of the top 20 largest districts in the US.

How does TestOut help?

We center our courseware around industry and state standards and certifications. We help save teachers time while also increasing student retention, certification passing scores, and classroom engagement.

Our offer.

- **FREE** - Full course access for teachers and students from January 1, 2022 - July 31, 2022.
- Quick and easy setup with personalized training for your teachers.
- Seamlessly adaptable for virtual, hybrid, in-person stacked, or differential classes.

To get more information or sign up for FREE access to our Spring Grant Program, [simply fill out the form for your district](#), or pass this information along to your teachers to apply - it should only take 5 minutes!

Jared Skelton, TestOut Academic Account Executive – West, jkelton@testout.com

[Share The Love – Get Free TestOut Socks!](#)

BPA and DECA News

BPA Updates

BPA Advisor Boot Camp: If you have not signed up to attend the BPA Advisor Boot Camp on November 17th please do! We will be hosting this training for advisors in person at Meridian Technology Center.

For more information, the agenda, and to register please visit: <https://bpaok.org/bpa-competition-boot-camp/>

Video for Veterans: This year at FLC we hosted an hour of community service. One of the opportunities offered to attendees was to record “thank you” messages for veterans. Our state president, Brighton Snow, and his BPA chapter at Mid America Technology Center have compiled those messages from FLC and have created a video for you to use in your classes, your programs...etc. We will also be posting this on our social media feeds this Thursday.

Link to the BPA version of the video: <https://youtu.be/G5lVAUa0i-g>

Fall Leadership Conference Recap Video: Thank you to our very own Nathan Slater, BPA Executive Council Historian, for creating a recap video for FLC 2021. This video along with wrap up statistics has been posted on our social media feeds. Can you spot your chapter members in the video?

Link to video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0USnxQAY8ec>

DECA Updates

Happy DECA Month! Don't forget to tag Oklahoma DECA in your posts on social media – we will share them on our feed!

DECA Combine: If you have not signed your chapter up to participate and compete in the first Oklahoma DECA Combine please do so before November 22nd! We hope to see many of our Oklahoma DECA members take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to enhance their competitive event skills.

For more information, the hype video, and to register please visit: <https://decaok.org/combine/>

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MBA Research Updates

- **Learning Center Tip – Search by Performance Indicator.** Did you know? In the [Learning Center](#), you can search by performance indicator and create lesson plans in an instant! Question banks include thousands of test items aligned to performance indicators that you can use to build your own quiz or add to existing quizzes. For more [Learning Center](#) tips, visit our [FAQ](#)
- **Free Ethical Principles Video Series.** The Ethical Principles Video Series was developed in partnership with the [Daniels Fund Ethics Initiative](#). Each video in the series

covers one of the eight ethical principles used by the Daniels Fund: integrity, trust, accountability, transparency, fairness, respect, rule of law, and viability. Students will explore each principle in detail through real-world examples, interdisciplinary connections, and thought-provoking questions. Each video in the series is accompanied by a discussion guide for teachers. Additional information on the video series can be found on our [website](#), and the first three videos are on our [YouTube channel](#). More to come soon!

- **Celebrate #DECAMonth!** November is DECA Month, and there are all kinds of ways to celebrate—from reminiscing about your favorite DECA memories to sharing your DECA story to participating in a month-long social media challenge. Make the most of this month by checking out DECA's ways to [Maximize Your Momentum!](#) To learn more about our partnership with DECA and the different ways we support each other, [visit our website](#). Happy celebrating!
- **Translate Learning Center into other Languages.** It is possible to view [MBA Research's Learning Center](#) interface in another language. Be sure to do both processes linked below to first change the language preference in your Learning Center account, and to then translate the lesson module (LAP) content using your web browser's translation tool.

Amazon Fulfillment Center Virtual Tours in OK BMITE

Explore the technology of Amazon's Fulfillment Centers. From online store to doorstep, discover how computer science, state-of-the-art engineering, and incredible people deliver your order at Amazon. Sign up to bring your classroom today! Tours are free, live, interactive, and open to all.

Corinne Hoisington, whom you all know from many years of presenting at OK Summit, has partnered with Fair Chance Learning to bring this amazing opportunity from Amazon to Oklahoma. It was offered to students in Canada last year, and now it is coming to the United States. She rolled it out to the BMITE Teacher Advisory Council last week and shared the many ways this can benefit your students.

They offer six to eight, 45-minute FREE tours per week. Tours will continue throughout the fall. New tour dates/times are released mid-month. If these times don't fit your schedule, use their [On-Demand Video Recording](#) or see interactive options in the [Teacher Toolkit](#).

[Download the Amazon flyer](#) for all the details. It is located in ctYou at the bottom of the BMITE Teacher Advisory Council folder in 2021-22 at the bottom of the page.

[Click here to register](#) your free virtual tour!

ACTE Virtual Awards Gala

The ACTE Awards Gala will be conducted virtually this year on November 30 at 4:00 pm. Registration is free so sign up and support all Oklahoma award winners, including BMITE's Sherri Gleaves, Francis Tuttle and Tammy Balliet, Metro Technology Center. We wish them all the best!

Registration: <https://www.careertechvision.com/awards.cfm>

National Cybersecurity Teaching Academy

Want to be one of the first teachers in the U.S. to earn a graduate certificate in Cybersecurity Education? The National Cybersecurity Teaching Academy (NCTA), through a recent grant, will offer a 12-credit hour graduate certificate to high school teachers and include coursework on teaching cybersecurity, foundations of cybersecurity, network security, and advanced topics. Three universities (DePaul, University of Louisville, and UA Little Rock) will offer the virtual program, with a little variation depending on the university's program.

Press release: <https://ualr.edu/news/2021/10/05/national-cybersecurity-teaching-academy/>

The application will open in December so interested teachers should register for information before December 1, 2021. There will be scholarships available to support 90 teachers to earn the certificate. Register to receive more information about the program here: <https://www.research.net/r/NCTAregisterforinfo>

AFA Educator Grants

The Air Force Association is now accepting applications to their Educator Grants program. This \$500 award is provided to K-12 teachers to fund a variety of educational activities, projects, and materials with the goal of exciting young students about STEM. Interested applicants can find information and apply online at www.afa.org/grants.

The deadline for applications is December 15, 2021. Evaluations of the proposals will conclude by the end of February 2022. Chapters will be notified soon after, if a grant is awarded.

Follow-up Timeline CHANGED!!

The collection period for follow-up has changed this year due to new federal requirements handed down to us with Carl Perkins funding. **Follow-up for the 2020-2021 school year will be accessible, in CTIMS, from October 1, 2021 – November 30, 2021.**

The process of completing follow-up is the same as last year. You can find the guidebook along with additional resources like the PowerPoint & Approved Assessment List on our website here: [CTIMS \(CareerTech Information Management System\) — CareerTech \(CT\) - okcareertech.org](http://okcareertech.org).

If you have questions, feel free to contact us through email at CTIMSupport@careertech.ok.gov or call us at 405-743-5134.

End-of-Course Test Reporting

We are collecting end-of instruction test results (Pass/Fail) for all students. You can add students' test results at any time throughout the year as long as the students have been entered

into CESI. Once test data is entered into the Certification System module, it will transfer over to the Follow-up module. For example, certification results entered for *current* students will populate in follow-up for the next collection period. (NOTE: Verify you are entering information in the correct enrollment year.)

Which certification test results should be included? Any test listed as one of the required test options on the BMITE course syllabus or testing guide should be included if your student has taken that test.

You can find the **Technical Guidebook** for entering **Student Certifications & Work Based Learning Collection** on the CTIMS website (scroll towards the bottom of the page). It will help you through the process to enter the certifications. <https://www.okcareertech.org/about/state-agency/divisions/imd/ctims>

For questions, please contact support at ctimssupport@careertech.ok.gov or 405.743.5134.

Digital Teaching and Learning Courses

Oklahoma CareerTech is offering free professional development in digital teaching and learning that unpacks the ISTE Standards for Educators and Students. Both in-person and virtual sessions are planned.

Teachers will have the opportunity to assess their level of engagement in activities aligned to the standards. They will also review the standards for students and use the indicators to write performance tasks for each, based upon appropriate content and grade level being taught.

In-Person Session: November 17, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

[Registration](#)

FREE Virtual Job Shadowing Opportunity

If you would like access to free, virtual job shadowing opportunities for your students through www.virtualjobshadow.com, contact carrie.demuth@careertech.ok.gov and she will send you the information.

Distance Learning Resources

- [BMITE Teacher Resources / Distance Learning Resources](#) on ctYou
- [BMITE YouTube Channel](#) – or just search YouTube for “OK BMITE”
- [ODCTE – Career and Academic Connections Resources](#)
- [CareerTech Master Educator](#) – free online PD
- [Technology Center Distance Learning Plans](#)
- [OSSBA K12 Schools Distance Learning Plans/Resources](#)

Teacher Certification

For questions regarding teacher certification, renewal, missed certification exams, etc., please contact Laurie Richison at laurie.richison@careertech.ok.gov or call 405.743.5518.

BMITE Staff

Remember, the BMITE staff is here to assist you in any way we can. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns at 405-743-5119 or by email (see below).

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