Microsoft IT Academy Program

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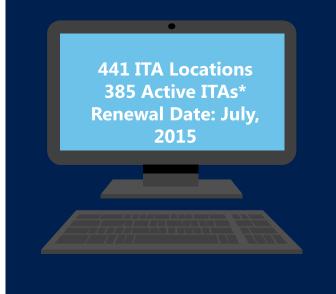




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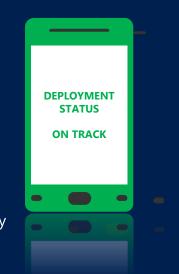


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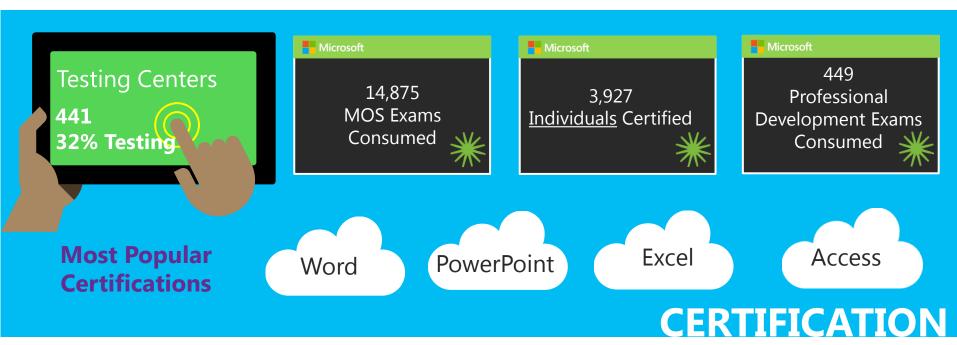
- Georgia is in its third year with the IT Academy program and in its first year with a state-wide MOS site license for
- The number of schools testing is steadily climbing each
- They are well over 4,000 certifications with 60 Expert and six Master certifications to date
- Gwinnett County is ready to launch the ITA and certification this Spring to their 25 high schools
- Georgia Juvenile Justice Centers are now active and ready to take part in the skills training and certification for their staff and students



* Active ITAs = accessed any ITA benefit

OVERVIEW OF DEPLOYMEN





Training & Events (July-Jan) **GACTE Summer Conference**

- **GAEL** Conference
- Georgia Business Educators Conference
- Georgia Educational Leadership Institute
- Georgia Board of Education Meeting
- Juvenile Justice Centers
- Virtual Training to include MOAC, Online Learning, Best Practices

385 **Teachers Trained**

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Announcing the 2015 Microsoft Office Specialist U.S. National Championship which is the national qualifier to the World Championship, determining which students will represent the United States at the 2015 Microsoft Office Specialist World Championship. Top students will be selected and invited to compete in the 2015 Microsoft Office Specialist U.S. National Championship from June 18-20 in Orlando, Florida. During the U.S. National Championship event, 6 U.S. Champions will be named, one per exam track. These students will each win an allexpenses-paid trip to compete in the 2015 MOS World Championship in Dallas, Texas from August 9 – 12, 2015! Visit <u>www.MOSchampionship.com/US</u> for more information.



WW MOS COMPETITION

This program has truly opened so many doors. I am extremely grateful for this program because it has jump started my career and my educational goals. I use these applications everyday in schoolwork and my job giving me a heads up above others.

> Reagan Beavers, Student Fayette County High School



Gaining these certifications has boosted my confidence and increased my interest in the IT field.



Gregory (Trey) Thompson Microsoft Office Master Model High School Student (legally blind)

Click here for full story





New enhancements are being implemented on the Microsoft IT Academy program Online Learning on February 12, 2015. Here are highlights of what is coming:

Enhanced Search function

- Search will pull up 15 most popular courses by alphabetical order
- Adding in filters for search to search by product, version, type, etc...
- Admins can view full description and course from admin site. When they click on a course, it opens course details in new browser and admins can view the actual course from the Learner site

Display user login email as well as contact email so admin will be able to tell learners which email they used to log in to the site



Reporting

- Reports will be able to be pulled from one place in Reports tab
- "Time in course" will be reported at course and module level

PROGRAM UPDATES

Coming Months Activities



- Promote Worldwide MOS Competition
- Email campaign to drive certification success
- MTA Boot Camp in June

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