

End of Pathway Assessment (EOPA) Update

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FY2012 EOPA Testing Process

- Successfully concluded
- Real Champions:
 - CTAE Administrators
 - CTAE Instructors
 - CTAE Pathway Completers
- EOPA Demographic Data Reporting
 - Deadline for reporting: June 29, 2012
 - Most systems have reported
 - We need your report data



FY2012 EOPA Demographic Data

- Submitting your data is critical:
 - CAR Report/Core Indicator 2S1
 - CCRPI Reporting
- Input from all systems is critical to determine:
 - Overall state performance
 - Individual exam pass rates



FY2013 Assessment Information Sheets

- ***Your Key to
Unlocking
Student
Technical Skill
Attainment and
Industry
Recognized
Credentials***



Your Key USB Flash Drive

- Contains **ALL** the Assessment Information Sheets for each exam included in the FY2013 EOPA Technical Skill Attainment Inventory
- Includes all the pertinent information you need to establish your school as a testing site and to order exams
- In both Word and PDF formats
- Assessment Information Sheets will be posted to the CTAE Assessment Web Page by August 1st



CTAE Assessment Web Page

- **The CTAE Assessment Web Page will contain:**
 - Any updates to Assessment Information Sheets
 - FY2013 EOPA Technical Skill Attainment Inventory Listing
 - Exam Name
 - Career Pathway Name
 - An updated copy of Special Accommodations by Testing Agency document
 - A copy of the EOPA State Guidelines
 - Any updates to the FY2013 CTAE Program Concentration & Pathway Related Courses Document
- **Initial access through the main GaDOE website**



Culinary Arts

- Added two new exams:
 - NOCTI Culinary Arts Cook, Level 2
 - ACF Secondary Graduate Certificate
 - Written portion of the Certified Junior Culinarian Exam
 - Does not yield a industry credential
 - Make a careful determination on exam choice



Early Childhood Education

- Child Development Associate (CDA) Exam (Preschool)
- Six step process
- Certification process entails:
 - Verification Visit
 - Review documentation
 - Administer Early Childhood Studies Review (2 hour multiple choice exam)
 - Conduct oral interview
- Credentialing Decision
- \$325.00 exam fee



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Nutrition & Food Science

- ServSafe Food Safety Manager Certification
- Program area instructors must become **Certified ServSafe Instructors**
- Candidates must be familiar with ServSafe Curriculum
- Do not need textbooks for each student
- \$36.00 exam fee



Healthcare Science

- National Center for Competency Testing (NCCT):
 - Provisional Certifications for hard to earn credentials:
 - Certified ECG Tech
 - Certified Patient Care Tech
 - Certified Phlebotomy Tech
 - Work experience on live subjects within 6 months after HS graduation



Healthcare Science

- **Deleted Exams**

- NCCT:

- National Certified Medical Assistant (NCMA)
 - Tech in Surgery-Certified (TS-C)



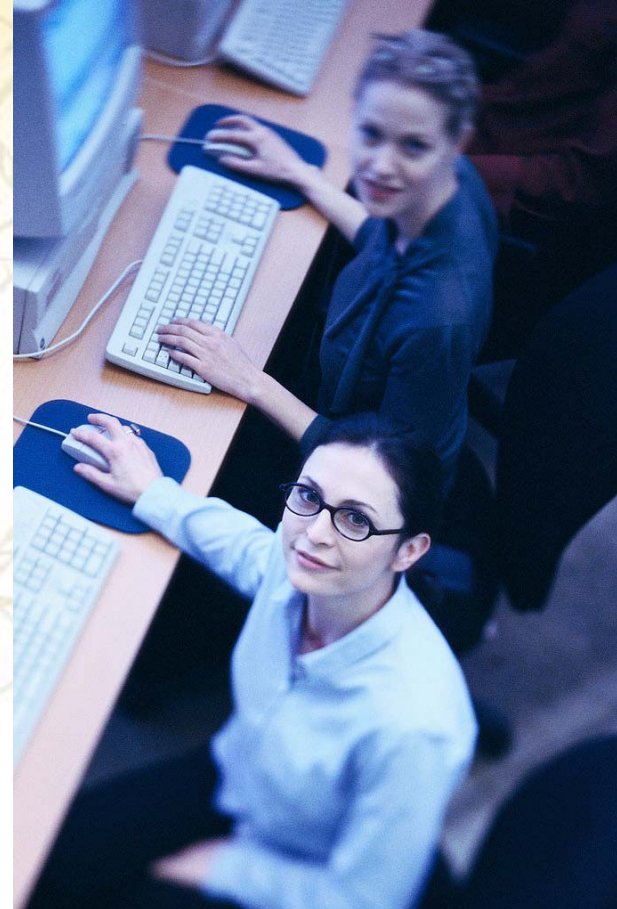
Business & Computer Science

- **Business Logistics Management EOPA**
 - MSSC Certified Logistics Associate (CLA)
 - MSSC Certified Logistics Technician (CLT)
 - Dispensed by NOCTI
 - \$19.00 exam fee (per exam)



Business & Computer Science

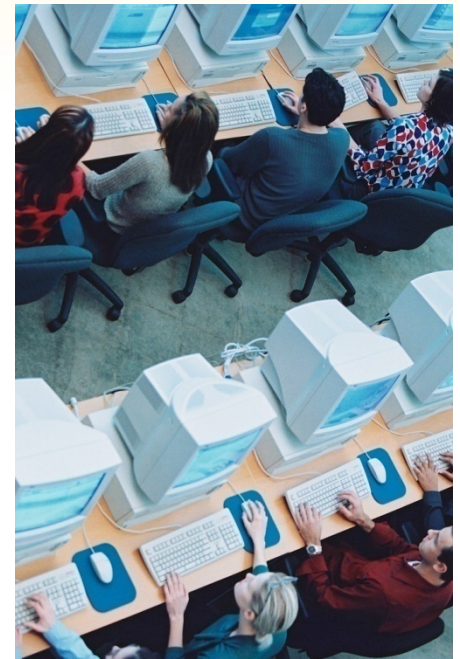
- **Interactive Media**
 - **Previously** required passing two different exams to obtain CIW Associate Design Specialist Certification
 - **Currently** each exam yields a separate certification:
 - CIW Site Development Associate
 - CIW Web Design Specialist
 - Either exam can be used



Business & Computer Science

- **Administrative / Information Support Pathway:**

- Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) Certification Exam
- Last year that MOS will be used as EOPA
- Other EOPA exam options will be identified for the '014 school year



Exam Clarification

- FEMA Emergency Management Institute
“Are You Ready” Exam
 - Homeland Security Pathway
 - Emergency Services Pathway
 - Exam can be taken
 - Students must provide SS# at the completion of exam
 - Inform students before exam



911



FY2013 EOPA Testing Guidelines

- Any eligible student can be tested; no grade level restrictions
- Eligible students:
 - Have successfully completed three or four designated courses, OR,
 - Enrolled in the third or fourth (last) designated course and on track to successfully complete



FY2013 EOPA Testing Guidelines

- **EOPA Retest Administration:**
 - Not mandated to be offered by LEAs
 - Systems that allow retest option will:
 - Offer focused remediation to students before retest
 - Allow a **single** retest opportunity for failed exam
 - Adhere to any stated “waiting periods” established by the testing agency
 - Students eligible to utilize retest option:
 - Students who have successfully completed the designated courses
 - Students who failed the EOPA on the first attempt
 - Students who have participated in focused remediation



FY2013 EOPA Testing Guidelines

- EOPA Pre-Testing:
 - EOPA tests knowledge, skills, and abilities throughout the course of pathway
 - Difficult to decide in which course to dispense
 - Many exams do not offer pre-test option
 - Many systems can't afford pre-tests
- In an effort to ensure equity for all EOPA participants, pre-testing is **not recommended.**



Special Accommodations

- IEP: Point of Reference
- Direct link between classroom and assessment accommodations
- IEP Team should review available EOPAs to determine most appropriate exam option
- Some testing agencies allow a number of accommodations
- Some agencies may not allow the same accommodations that a student receives instructionally



Special Accommodations

- These agencies require individuals to have certain cognitive and physical abilities to complete job tasks
- CTAE instructor involvement with IEP process
- List of available Special Accommodations by testing agency posted on CTAE Assessment Web Page



EOPA State Guidelines

- Documented Guidelines
- Guidelines based on feedback obtained from:
 - EOPA best practices from local systems
 - Collaboration with EOPA Testing Advisory Committee
- Addresses general EOPA topics:
 - Retests; pre-tests; test security measures; reporting testing irregularities; roles of local administrators
- GaDOE Testing Division Guidelines



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FY2013 EOPA Demographic Data Reporting

- Reported through student data portal
- Must ensure that completer data is captured accurately
- FY2013 CTAE Program Concentration & Pathway Related Courses
- Lists course numbers, assessment codes and titles
- Check CTAE website for updates



FY2013 EOPA Demographic Data Reporting

- **Course Numbering:**
 - **Please do not** alter the following digits in the state referenced course number locally:
 - two digits to the left of the decimal
 - second digit to the right of the decimal
 - third digit to the right of the decimal
 - Drop down menus will be developed to select Assessment Codes and Titles
 - More information to come on the utilization of the system



FY2013 Industry Certification Grants

- Email Notifications
- 91 Approved Grants
- Grant Timeline: July 1st – June 30th
- CTAE Administrator must work with instructors to ensure completion of process
- Reminder: Utilize *Industry Certification Checklist*
- September 30th deadline to return funds

