Assessment
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WHO MUST TAKE THE ASSESSMENTS

Technical skills assessments are given to **all** students who have completed a career and technical education (CTE) program in the current year **OR** are leaving a program/school and have completed more than half of the program (at least seven segments).

General Updates

ASSESSMENT TIP SHEETS

Informational Tip Sheets for each implemented assessment can be found on the CTE Skills Assessments page. New information about the EMT Certification is on the website. Please click here: tip sheets (www.michigan.gov/octe)

Linux Professional Institute (LPI) Certifications

The OCTE is working with LPI to establish procedures for testing, and we anticipate that students will be able to take LPI certifications this year. The following Certifications below can be taken by students either via Paper-Based Testing or at a Pearson VUE test center.

LPI Linux Essentials. LPIC-1, LPIC-2, LPIC-3

Please visit https://www.lpi.org and click Our Certifications to receive more information.

More information will be disseminated within the next few weeks. **If you think that you may have students that may take an LPI certification, please contact Valerie Felder at felderv@michigan.gov or at 517-335-1066. Linux Professional Institute would like an estimate of how many students may take LPI certifications.**

NOCTI

The Online Testing Computer Setup guidelines have been updated as of 01-19-2018. NOCTI assessments cannot be administered on any device (e.g., Chromebooks, tablet(s)) that the test taker is able to take off the test site's premises. Additionally, sites must assure that the cache has been cleared after administration for all devices. Please refer to Online Testing Computer Setup guidelines for details.

WELDING ASSESSMENT

The OCTE has been notified by NOCTI that they have updated their Welding Assessment. The change was made early in September, and a new Blueprint is posted for the test. The new test is 10 questions longer and includes an OPTIONAL practical portion. The practical portion is NOT required by the OCTE. Only the written portion is required. *The new cut score for this assessment is 57.2.*

COMPTIA Student Registration for Certification(s)

The CompTIA student registration process to receive academic vouchers has changed. Please see the Data Collection and Coordination Section on page 5 of this guide to receive more information

Marketing Assessment Suspended for 2017-18

The OCTE is in the early stages of the standards and technical education process for the Marketing (52.1999) standards and expect this review to continue throughout the 2017-2018 academic year. While the standards and assessment are under review, the Marketing Assessment (MBA Research Accelerated Marketing Exam) is suspended until further notice. For the current academic year, and until further notice, students will achieve completer status in CTEIS for Added Cost Funding once they have completed all 12 segments in the marketing program with a grade 2.0 or better in each of the program courses.

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PROGRAMS WITH REQUIRED ASSESSMENTS FOR 2017-18

The complete implementation chart may be viewed on the CTE Skills Assessment [website](www.michigan.gov/octe). (www.michigan.gov/octe)

- Automobile Technician/Maintenance and Light Repair (47.0604)

- Business Administration Management and Operations (52.0299)

- Collision Repair Technician (ASE Certified) (47.0603)

- Drafting and Design Technology/Architectural (15.1301)

    Alternative – Autodesk Certified User (ACU) Certification

- Finance and Financial Management Services (52.0800)

- Health Science (26.0102, 51.0000, 51.1000, 51.0707)

    Alternative EMT Certification/Assessment

- Computer Systems Networking and Telecommunications (11.0901)

    Alternative IT Certifications

- Public Safety/Protective Services (43.0100)

    Alternative Firefighter I & Firefighter II Certifications

- Line Worker (46.0303)   *__First year of implementation__

- Medium/Heavy Truck Technician (ASE Certified) (47.0613)

- Welding, Brazing, and Soldering (48.0508)

    Alternative SENSE Certification

ASSESSMENT COMPLETION DATE

All assessment testing should be completed by Friday, May 18, 2018, for state reporting purposes. *If an extension is needed, please contact Valerie Felder at felderv@michigan.gov, so that the exception can be noted.*

PRECISION EXAMS – HEALTH SCIENCE ASSESSMENT
The price of this assessment has increased from $12 to $15.

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ASE UPDATES – ASSESSMENT PRICING AND TESTING WINDOWS

Please see the following link on the ASE Student Certification
(http://www.asestudentcertification.com/) with updates on:

- Fall/Spring testing window
- Student assessment price increase of $35

ASSESSMENT DATA COLLECTION AND COORDINATION

NOCTI Updates

NOCTI Exports

For the 2017-18 school year, PTD Technology will no longer extract student assessment data from CTEIS for students eligible to take the NOCTI assessments. However, CTEIS now provides a template to allow programs to export data from CTEIS and import into NOCTI's system directly. This feature can be found on the Data Entry Menu by clicking on the NOCTI Export menu item. You can find instructions for this tool at the NOCTI Export Wiki Page.

Please note that if data is not exported from CTEIS and imported into NOCTI's systems, programs must ensure that accurate Student UICs are entered; otherwise, the OCTE will not be able to match student assessment data to the CTEIS system.

Below are the programs eligible for NOCTI Assessments.

Test Name	CIP Code	Program Name
Network Systems and Administration	11.0901	Computer Systems, Networking, and Telecommunications
Criminal Justice Job Ready Assessment	43.0100	Public Safety/Protective Services
General Management Pathway Assessment	52.0299	Business Administration Management
Accounting-Advanced Job Ready Assessment	52.0800	Finance and Financial Management
Architectural Drafting Job Ready Assessment	15.1301	Drafting and Design Technology/Architectural
Welding	48.0508	Welding, Brazing, and Soldering
Job Ready Assessment	48.0508	Welding, Brazing, and Soldering

Year-End Extract – NOCTI will continue to provide the year-end extract to the OCTE. There **is no need** for programs to submit year-end data to the OCTE. The OCTE will receive year-end student data directly from NOCTI.

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Precision Exams

PTD Technology will continue to extract student assessment data from CTEIS for students eligible to take the Health assessment. Students must be enrolled in CTEIS course-sections by the following dates:

March 23, 2018
April 13, 2018

ASE Batch Student Upload

PTD does not extract data for the ASE assessments. Please remember to use the Batch Upload Tool for the upload of required student level information to ASE. Submit the students' first names, last names, and UICs in a simple Excel (or other) spreadsheet and subsequently import it into the ASE Student certification system. If an individual student's unique identity is certain (i.e. it doesn't already exist), that identity is established. Non-unique identities (matches or possible matches) must be resolved manually. For complete instructions, refer to the detailed instructions (with screen shots) found HERE.   (/www.asestudentcertification.com/)

Data Collection Procedures for Alternative Certifications

The following data collection processes/procedures will be posted to the CTE Skills Assessment website within the next couple of weeks. **If you need any of the procedures before they are posted on the website, please contact Valerie Felder.**

Moodle Website Instructions – Directions for Accessing Moodle and uploading data. All Student data must be uploaded via the secure Moodle website. **Student data cannot be sent via email.**

COMPTIA – Programs will register students using vouchers and share students' data results by following the instructions in the CompTIA Academic Voucher Verification Program Operations Guide.

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Firefighter I & II – Students' data results will be uploaded via Moodle. Please see Firefighter I & II Data Collection Procedures on the CTE Skills Assessment website.

Emergency Medical Technician - Students' data results will be uploaded via Moodle. Please see EMT Data Collection Procedures on the CTE Skills Assessment website.

The procedures for the data collection for the remaining IT Certifications, SENSE Certification, and AutoDesk Revit will be shared in the coming issues of the Newsletter and posted on the CTE Skills Assessment website.

If you have new assessment information that may be beneficial to all, please contact Valerie Felder at felderv@michigan.gov or at 517-335-1066 so that the information can be added to the Newsletter.