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NEWS UPDATE

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New year, new opportunities to connect with your community



Exciting news: CERTIFIED registration is open!

Discover how certification can transform your classroom and empower your students. Join us at CERTIFIED for practical insights and collaboration.

The only education conference dedicated exclusively to exploring the full promise of certification in the classroom, CERTIFIED gives you an engaging, energized forum for professional development where you can learn, share ideas, and collaborate with peers.

Register by April 3 to enjoy an early-bird discount of \$100.

[I'm ready for Nashville](#)

Hannah Crepeau: Content Marketing Manager

CERTIFIED ACADEMY

Prepare the next
generation of professionals

Join us for CERTIFIED Academy 2026

The CERTIFIED Academy webinar series is all about you and your teaching community. Join us online to learn new ideas, collaborate with other educators, and master teaching techniques — all without leaving your classroom or office.

Regardless of your teaching focus, we know you'll find a session that piques your interest.

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Help your students find a career they'll love

Every student deserves a career that's both fulfilling and challenging. Help yours find one they're passionate about.

On the CERTIFIED Podcast, you'll hear insights from three experts on guiding students toward opportunities that match their interests. Plus, get answers to some of your burning questions, such as:

- How can I connect with my students and discover their talents and interests?
- How can I encourage career exploration?
- How can I help my students land and keep a great job?
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Updated exams in 2026

To keep our Entrepreneurship and Small Business (ESB) certifications aligned with today's critical skills, **we are retiring the original exam in English, Spanish, and French on July 1, 2026**. The updated exam (ESB v.2) covers the same core concepts as the original ESB certification, plus product development and business funding concepts. We recommend transitioning to the new exam as soon as possible to avoid issues with testing. The good news? Transitioning is simple— here's what you need to know. If you're teaching the above exams, below is your recommended replacement:

- ESB Universal – English to ESB v.2 Universal – English or ESB v.2 US
- ESB Universal – Spanish to ESB v.2 Universal – Spanish
- ESB Universal – French to ESB v.2 Universal – French

Your next steps:

- Plan to schedule ESB v.2 for new candidates as soon as possible.
- Update teaching and prep materials to the **ESB v.2 objective domains**.
- Share this update with your colleagues and learners.

New to the program? Get started at www.certiport.com/esb.

Kenneth Masteller: Product Marketing Manager



Microsoft Certified Fundamentals retirement date extended

To support both academic institutions and candidates, the retirement date for three Microsoft Certified Fundamentals exams delivered by Certiport has been extended to June 30, 2026.

On this date, we will retire the following exams:

- Microsoft 365 Fundamentals (MS-900)
- Dynamics 365 Fundamentals CRM (MB-910)
- Dynamics 365 Fundamentals ERP (MB-920)

If your customers or students are currently preparing for these exams, please encourage completion before this updated retirement date.

Explore the full list of Microsoft Certified Fundamentals exams and discover certification opportunities at www.certiport.com/Fundamentals.

Caroline Dill: Product Marketing Manager



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Upcoming holiday closure

Our test candidate, customer support, and technical support will be closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day on January 19. Visit [our website](#) for additional information on our holiday hours.

Resources for you

Stay updated on Certiport's latest news

New product information

See what exams have been recently released or are coming soon.

Live trainings

View the calendar for upcoming onboarding and support webinars.

System maintenance

Mark your calendar! See what dates are scheduled for periodic maintenance, as maintenance can affect exam delivery.

Systems updates

Get detailed information on upcoming changes to our technology and systems.

Important notices [RSS](#)

Get notifications regarding the use and support of our exam products, delivery systems, solutions, and features.

Exam content updates [RSS](#)

Review planned release dates of exams undergoing maintenance.

Support

Find answers online including FAQs, Quick Reference Guides, Technical Requirements, or the different ways to contact our Technical Support team.



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