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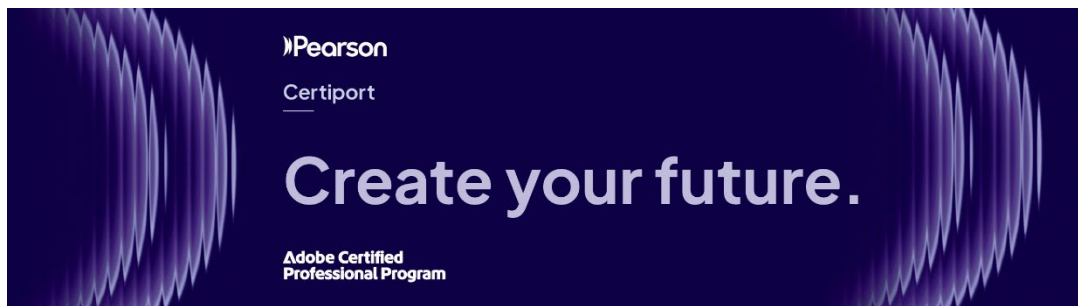
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NEWS UPDATE

March 12, 2026



Close the AI learning gap with the latest Adobe Certified Professional certification



AI is changing the way designers work, but it will not replace human creativity.

Designers see the need for AI skills. But which tools have the most potential? And how should they use them responsibly in the modern workplace?

Close the AI gap with the new Adobe Certified Professional: Product & Experience Design with AI Using Adobe Firefly certification. By preparing for this exam, designers will:

- Build their AI foundation within Adobe's environment
- Learn prompt-refinement best practices
- Explore ethical AI usage guidelines

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- Gain practical skills aligned to real-world creative workflows

We're making it easy for educators like you to earn their Firefly certification. Sign up for your FREE exam and discover how you can help students accelerate their design careers.

I'm ready to sign up

Dominique Delbar: Marketing



Are you ready for CERTIFIED?



Don't miss early bird registration!

Are you ready for inspiring keynotes? Engaging breakouts? And fun with your community? Then it's time to register for the 2026 CERTIFIED Educator Conference, June 15-17 in Nashville!

Early bird registration is closing on April 3, which means it's almost your last chance to save \$100! Should we save you a seat?

[I'm ready to save](#)

Hannah Crepeau: Marketing

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generation of professionals

Spring clean your teaching

March is a month to freshen things up. This month, you can get new ideas for your classroom from some expert educators.

Join us on **March 31 at 11 AM ET** to hear about tools, tips, and inspiration for classroom success. Plus, we'll be sharing a sneak peek of what's happening at our live CERTIFIED Educator Conference.

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Episode 155
Coding, app development, and AI:
Preparing students for careers
in technology with Brian Foutty

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On the podcast: Coding, app development, and AI

There's an app for everything these days. Technology is an integral part of our everyday lives. Getting students ready for careers in technology has never been more demanding or exciting!

Learn from veteran technology educator, Brian Foutty. Brian shares why he believes in teaching app development, and the skills your students learn in these courses. Find out how to get your students excited about coding, how to celebrate their successes, and the impact AI is having in the classroom and the workplace.

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The latest from Microsoft



Upskilling today's workers with Microsoft Office Specialist

In a rapidly evolving workplace, opportunity belongs to those who never stop learning and growth is powered by individuals who continuously strengthen their skills. At MJ Technology Co., Ltd, a Japanese permanent staffing company serving the construction, manufacturing, and IT industries, this belief is being put into action through Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) certification.

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By integrating MOS certification into its training programs, the company equips future employees with in-demand skills, the confidence to contribute from day one, and a stronger pathway to meaningful job placement and long-term career success.

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Caroline Dill: Marketing

Microsoft certification exams retiring this summer

The following Microsoft certification exams will retire on June 30, 2026.

Microsoft Office Specialist

- Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) 2016 certifications

Microsoft Certified Fundamentals

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

If your customers or candidates are currently preparing for these exams, please plan to complete them before this final retirement date. Testing centers currently using MOS 2016 exams should transition to the Microsoft Office 2019 and Microsoft 365 Apps certifications. All MOS exam vouchers, inventory, and licenses can be used for any available exam version within the MOS program.

Caroline Dill: Marketing

Help your students develop current skills with Device Configuration & Management Windows 11

Prepare your students for tomorrow's workforce by validating their skills with the Device Configuration & Management Windows 11 certification. The objective domains are similar to the Windows 10 exam, with new questions covering Microsoft CoPilot and Windows Hello.

Support for Windows 10 ended October 2025. Devices will continue to run, but Microsoft has phased out standard support and feature updates. Continuing to use Windows 10 can increase security risks and limit access to new features. Get your students ready for Windows 11. Make sure they can:

- Install and configure Windows 11
- Set up and manage network connections
- Manage applications and peripheral devices
- Practice data access and management
- Apply basic device security in a Windows business context

Looking for additional resources? LearnKey and GMetrix offer Windows 11 courseware and practice tests. Prepare for testing day by downloading the Windows 11 exam to ensure it appears in your exam selection list.

Ashley Walton: Marketing

Have you heard?

Introducing Active Exams

We're pleased to share Active Exams—a simple way to see which exams are currently offered across Compass platforms.

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Emily Drinkut: Marketing

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