

# No-Am CATC Newsletter 5-29-2025

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**AUTHORIZED TESTING CENTER**

## NEWS UPDATE

May 29, 2025

# New, for you.

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## Prepare your students to achieve their career goals

Linear careers are no longer the only path to professional success. People change jobs often, making their career journeys more complex than ever. How, as an educator, do you get your students ready to enter their own careers, when it may feel like a quest without a map? Enter: Jessica Lindl.

In our latest CERTIFIED Podcast episode, Jessica shares how gaming principles, like quests, levels, and community, can prepare your budding professionals for the careers of their dreams.

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Hannah Crepeau: Content Marketing Manager

## The new CATC Locator is live!

We're pleased to announce the launch of our new CATC Locator, now featuring a user-friendly interface that lets test-takers quickly find their nearest Certiport Authorized Testing Center (CATC) and achieve their certification goals with ease.

**Show me the new CATC Locator**

### Are you on the list?

We encourage all existing CATCs offering public testing to verify their presence on the new Locator. Using the new Locator will help attract more candidates to your center and increase your testing volumes. If your CATC is already listed, please ensure that the information is up-to-date and accurate.

### Not listed yet?

If your facility isn't listed, it's not too late! Sign up to offer in-person testing (with the option to charge candidates a testing fee) and get added to the CATC Locator. Your center's information will be available for learners looking for testing locations in your area. Centers must have all the hardware and software required to take an exam and be able to proctor and provide a distraction-free environment in adherence to **Certiport's exam policies**.

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact your Certiport Territory Manager.

**Become a public CATC**

Emma Bury: Field Marketing Manager

## **Feed your need for professional development hours**

You work hard to keep your skills up to date through professional development (PD). Now getting your PD hours is even easier with BrainBuffet. Whether you're new to educational software, prepping students for certifications, or leading IT integration, even if you're not a current user-BrainBuffet has a pathway for you.

### **New to the tools? Start strong.**

Build confidence with introductory sessions (either a single one hour session or a series) for software like Adobe, Autodesk, or Microsoft Office. Perfect for first-time users!

### **Already skilled? Go deeper.**

Refine your expertise with 1.5-hour sessions focused on advanced workflows or classroom integration strategies.

### **Prepping for certifications? Lead the way.**

Guide your students to success with up to three hours of PD on exam-aligned strategies for Adobe, Cisco, QuickBooks, and more.

### **Admins and IT teams? Master the system.**

Optimize software implementation and security with up to six hours of training tailored to institutional needs.

Contact your Territory Manager to get started.

Liliya Rajsombath: Product Management Analyst



# Update for Microsoft educators

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## Support for Office 2016 and 2019 to end in October

Effective October 14, 2025, Microsoft will no longer offer support for Office 2016 and Office 2019. *After this date, all Office 2016 and 2019 apps will continue to function, but Microsoft will no longer provide software updates, technical support, bug fixes, or security patches.*

As a reminder, the Microsoft Office Specialist 2016 exams will retire on June 30, 2026. We currently do not have a retirement date for the Microsoft Office Specialist 2019 exams. Based on these updates, we encourage you to transition to the latest MOS certification version to maintain access to the most up-to-date content and support. This transition plan may be adjusted if any significant issues arise following the end of Microsoft's support.

Caroline Dill: Product Marketing Manager



## Ready for PMI in Spanish?

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¡Estamos animados! The PMI Project Management Ready exam will soon be available in Spanish. Spanish-language versions of CertPREP Practice Tests and accompanying learning curriculum are already available. See when all translated versions of the PMI Project Management Ready certification exam will be available [here](#), and access our learning product release schedule [here](#).

Emma Bury: Field Marketing Manager

# Resources for you

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## 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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