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We now have **260** high schools and ATCs registered for Imagine Academy in Kentucky!

Make sure you are also a testing site with Certiport so your students can certify!

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## 2017 MOS U.S. National Championship Spring Qualifier

Now is the time to certify and prepare to compete! Students across the country are already using MOS certification to qualify for the MOS U.S. National Championship. To be named a 2017 MOS U.S. Qualifier Champion, students must earn the highest score in Kentucky on one of the following exams:

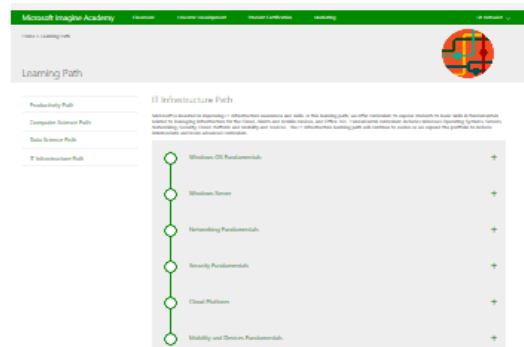
- Microsoft Office Specialist Word 2013
- Microsoft Office Specialist Excel 2013
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- Microsoft Office Specialist Word 2016
- Microsoft Office Specialist Excel 2016
- Microsoft Office Specialist PowerPoint 2016

For more information about the 2017 MOS US National Championship, visit [www.moschampionship.com/kentucky](http://www.moschampionship.com/kentucky)

## Microsoft Imagine Academy's IT infrastructure path and curriculum

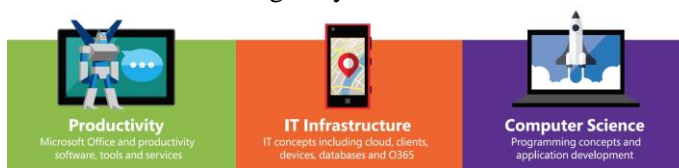
We are excited to announce the launch of the new IT Infrastructure Pathway and Curriculum available now on the [MSIA Member Site](#) -> Explore new learning paths here!

This new learning path offers a portfolio of intermediate courses that prepare students for a [Microsoft Technology Associate \(MTA\)](#) certification in fundamentals such as Windows Operating Systems, Windows Servers, Networking, Security, Cloud Platform and Mobility and Devices. In addition, more advanced course content supports [Microsoft Certified Solutions Associate \(MCSA\)](#) exams including "Implementing Microsoft Azure Infrastructure Solutions" and "Installing, Configuring and Administering Windows Server 2012." This learning path helps build comprehensive knowledge and core technical skills required to build a sustainable career in IT.



## Educator certification exams – FREE vouchers available

Ten Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) exam vouchers, 10 Microsoft Technology Associate (MTA) exam vouchers and 10 Microsoft Certified Educator (MCE) exam vouchers for faculty and staff use are available annually as part of your Imagine Academy membership. Each year this benefit is renewed. Find the exam preparation materials as well as instructions on how to redeem the exam vouchers in the educator development section of your Imagine Academy member site. It is highly recommended that teachers are certified on any concepts they teach. Students typically are more successful when their teacher fully understands what is expected on the certification exams. This understanding comes from taking the exams yourself. So don't delay; our free MOS, MTA and MCE exam vouchers are waiting for you!



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### New MTA exam now available: Introduction to Programming with Block-Based Languages

MTA Exam 98-380 will validate that candidates have fundamental programming knowledge and skills using block-based programming languages. It will also serve as a steppingstone to the Microsoft Certified Solutions Associate (MCSA) exams. The exam is now available. Many schools across Kentucky have been implementing the Creative Coding through Games and Apps (CCGA) course and now you can administer the MTA Exam 98-380 to measure their skills.

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### MOS 2016 exam tutorials

Certiport's Product and Training managers have released the MOS 2016 exam tutorials. You can get there through any of these links:

[http://www.certiport.com/portal/desktopdefault.aspx?page=common/pagelibrary/exam\\_tutorials.htm](http://www.certiport.com/portal/desktopdefault.aspx?page=common/pagelibrary/exam_tutorials.htm)  
[www.certiport.com/tutorials](http://www.certiport.com/tutorials)  
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### Share your success!

Microsoft needs your help. Each month Microsoft is looking for stories about student and teacher success with certification to share and feature in newsletters, case studies, blogs, et cetera. There is no success too small. Tell us how certification made a difference for your students. Examples might include, but are not limited to:

- a student who got a job or internship because of the certification.
- a certified student who helped his family or community with technology.
- a student earning certification and going from "at-risk" to excelling.
- a student getting a work study job, an internship in college or an advantage on college admission as a result of certification.
- a student who gained inspiration or skills from Creative Coding through Games and Apps (CCGA) course.

Now's your chance to brag about your success. You can tell your story in just three to five sentences, a quick video or in any format you'd like. Email Laura Raganas with the scoop and keep them coming all year long.

## Campbellsville High School student, Cody Davis, experiences success

I have an interesting story I would like to share. A local business needed someone specializing in MOS Excel and contacted my teacher, Sonya Kessler, who then chose me as the perfect student for the job because I had an MOS Excel certification. I went after school and had to do calculations for a company with over 400 business partners. The calculations in real time would have taken me so much longer than it did using the formulas I learned in MOS Excel. I was told they needed the paper done on the same day as my first day on the job. There was little to no time to be joking around; I had to use every last minute to finish the work on time (No pressure!). The local business I was working for was a landscaping company so there were several calculations needed for pounds of fertilizer per square foot for each customer's yard, et cetera. The whole time I was working I had the boss standing over my shoulder making sure everything was right, which added even more pressure. But I knew that I had nothing to worry about because of my MOS Excel certification. I thought that I would never use my certification in any real life situation but it turns out it really helps when you have a certification like mine. This is my success story for Certiport certifications and I wanted to share it.

~ Cody Davis

### Data Points for Second Quarter 2016-17:

The number of schools signed up for membership: 260

The number of Excel certifications for the quarter: 1,242

The number of Excel certification year-to-date: 2,311

The number of MTA certifications for the quarter: 41

The number of MTA certifications year-to-date: 86

The top 10 MOS certifying sites:

1. Lloyd Memorial High	6. Bullitt East High
2. Greenup County High	7. Beechwood High
3. Ryle High	8. Dixie Heights High
4. Fairdale High	9. Simon Kenton High
5. Boone County High	10. Warren Central High

The top MTA certifying sites:

1. Hardin County Early College & Career Center	6. Russellville ATC
2. Jessamine Career and Technology Center	7. Clark County ATC
3. Martin County ATC	8. Belfry High
4. Barren County High	9. Southern High
5. Hopkins County Career & Technology Center	

**Is your school listed here?**

# MOS Master Certifications

School	Name
Grant County High	Heather Burns
Simon Kenton High	Christina Lenihan
Dixie Heights High	Keziah Zhou
Boone County High	Hailey Short
Dixie Heights High	Ashleigh Brave
Dixie Heights High	Hannah Richardson
Dixie Heights High	Timothy Schultz
Dixie Heights High	Matthew Lohre
Taylor County High	Victoria Daugherty
Butler High	Todd Schroering
Barren County High	Samantha Morgan
Dixie Heights High	Nicole Marker
Dixie Heights High	Donaven Martin
Warren Central High	Autumn Waldrop
Dixie Heights High	Sara Wiedeman
Mayfield/Graves County ATC	Daniel Green
Warren Central High	Kimberley Greer
Simon Kenton High	Tyler Huser
Simon Kenton High	Nicholas Brock
Boone County High	Kiara Hernandez
Barren County High	Kylee Pipgrass
Barren County High	James Banewicz
Russellville ATC	Austin Coursey
Simon Kenton High	Olivia Spina
Simon Kenton High	Brianna Conway
Beechwood High	LiCai Haney
Simon Kenton High	Mikayla Marti
Larry Ryle High	Emily Mays
Simon Kenton High	Alexis Taylor
Larry Ryle High	Alyssa Igyarto
Seneca High	Tyler Roberts
Simon Kenton High	Josiah Turner
Muhlenberg County High	Jonathan Powell
Dayton High	Michael Martin
Simon Kenton High	Sebastian Sarieh

