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Proctor Certification News!

NCTA is excited to announce the launch of the Proctor Certification Program in March 2024! We are proud to offer this new certification in response to the industry's need for standardization of professional competency across sites, jurisdictions, and types of testing.

Visit the NCTA [Proctor Certification page](#) to review the Proctor Certification Handbook, resources used in the development of the exam, Terms of Service agreement, test dates, application form, and contact information for the Proctor Certification Committee.

Why seek certification?

Attaining NCTA Proctor Certification will:

- Enhance the credibility of professional proctors by demonstrating they understand and adhere to proctoring best practices.
- Further the professional development of testing staff working in educational institutions and the private sector.
- Help to ensure the preservation and relevance of exam content for all stakeholders including test vendors, sponsors, and examinees.
- Provide opportunities for new proctoring training that is non-specific to a test program.

- Protecting testing integrity by ensuring individuals understand industry standards and guidelines.

Questions can be directed to proctorcertainment@ncta-testing.org.

NCTA Spring 2024 Book Study - Register Today!

Join us for the Spring 2024 Book Study hosted by the NCTA Professional Development Division.

This is an opportunity to earn your professional development hours while engaging with fellow members. Feel free to invite your colleagues to participate and expand the conversation.

Please order your book from your preferred bookstore before the initial meeting. For the initial meeting, we will discuss the introduction and Chapter 1.

Book: Academic Able-ism: Disability and Higher Education - by Jay Dolmage (5 chapters, 254 pages)

Moderator: Theresa Novotny, Georgia Southern University

Meeting time: 2:00 pm EST

Meeting Dates:

Tuesday, March 19 - Introduction & Chapter 1 (pages 1 - 61)

Tuesday, March 26 - Chapter 2 (pages 67 - 95)

Tuesday, April 2 - Chapter 3 (pages 99 - 113)

Tuesday, April 9 - Chapter 4 (pages 115-145)

Tuesday, April 16 - Chapter 5 & Wrap-Up (pages 153-178)

Cost:

Free to NCTA members

\$40 for non-members

Deadline to Register: Wednesday, March 13, 2024

NCTA Award Nominations Now Open!

The awards recognize outstanding individuals whose leadership and service have made significant contributions to the testing profession or a program/innovation that enhanced the testing environment or experience on your campus. Recipients of these will be honored at the 2024 NCTA Conference in Savannah, Georgia.

The full description of the awards, the requirements, and the lists of previous recipients are on the NCTA Awards [webpage](#). All nomination forms are available online through the NCTA Awards website. Supporting documents for nominations should be emailed to Awards@ncta-testing.org.

You may nominate more than one person or program/innovation for the awards. **Nominations must be received by Friday, April 26, 2024, to be considered.** If you have any questions, please contact awards@ncta-testing.org.

NCTA Award Nominations are available in the following areas:

- NCTA Lifetime Achievement Award
- NCTA Service & Leadership Award
- NCTA New Professional Award
- NCTA Volunteer of the Year
- NCTA Outstanding Program/Innovation Award

Also, remember to submit a nomination for any spectacular NCTA volunteers for the [Shout-Out award](#). Nominations are ongoing with the selections monthly. All nominations are kept for one year. Take the time to nominate someone you feel deserves to be recognized for their commitment and passion to NCTA!

NCTA Elections - Submit nominations before March 8

This year, there are four seats to be filled on the Governing Council: three Board openings and one Treasurer-Elect. Each Board seat and the Treasurer-Elect follow a three-year board cycle beginning at the conclusion of the 2024 conference.

Nominations for both elections close on Friday, March 8th at 11:59 PM EST. Candidates will be announced to membership in early April, with voting opening in mid-April.

NCTA Grants Application Deadline is Approaching

The Grants Program is accepting applications for Award year 2024-2025. The purpose of the Annual Grants Program is to offer opportunities for professional development, to promote the development of resources for NCTA members, to encourage professional support activities, to stimulate research pertinent to the field of testing (for possible submission to the NCTA Journal), and to support the testing profession.

There are two types of grant awards available: Professional developments grants & Research grants.

The application window closes on March 15. Please see the [NCTA website](#) for more information

2024 Conference Updates - Registration, Programs and Contests!

- Registration for the 2024 NCTA Conference in Savannah, Georgia, opens on March 11! Mark your calendars...and remember that you are not required to pay at registration. Be on the lookout for registration information soon.
- The 2024 Conference Program Committee extends a huge THANK YOU to membership for all the excellent program submissions! Notifications will be going out shortly.
- Back by popular demand...the T-shirt design contest! [Submit](#) your 2024 NCTA Conference T-shirt Design (it's also NCTA's 25th Anniversary) for the conference in Savannah, GA. Use this [link](#) to learn more about the terms and conditions of the contest and how to submit your entry. All submissions are due by April 19, 2024, by 11:59 PM EST. Start designing your submission today!
- While you're in a creative state of mind, start thinking about your entry for the conference meme contest. Additional information will be sent shortly for submissions.

Please see the [NCTA 2024 Conference website](#) for the latest and greatest conference information.

Newly Certified and Recertified Test Centers

Recertified

Oklahoma State University Oklahoma City
Grayson College - 2nd recertification
Oklahoma State University Stillwater - 2nd recertification

If you have items to contribute to *Quick Bites* that are a benefit to all members of the NCTA organization, please share them with Jan Gonzalez, Administration division chair, at jan.gonzalez@pnw.edu.

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