

## 3 Students from same Maple Ridge, BC High School named winners in the Microsoft Office Specialist Canadian Championship

3 Students from Westview Secondary School in Maple Ridge, BC Will Represent Canada at the 2015 Microsoft Office Specialist World Championship

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CCI Learning is pleased to announce the winners of the 2015 Microsoft Office Specialist Canadian Championship, achieving top national test scores in Microsoft Office Excel 2013, Microsoft Office Word 2013, and Microsoft Office PowerPoint 2013. Last year, one student from Maple Ridge became the first ever student from a high school to represent Canada, alongside students from a university and a college. This year the winners are all high school students from Westview Secondary School in Maple Ridge, BC.

The winners of the Microsoft Office Specialist Canadian Championship are as follows:

- **Microsoft Excel 2013:** Nash Taylor
- **Microsoft Word 2013:** Phillip MacBride
- **Microsoft PowerPoint 2013:** Trevor Dean

The trio from Westview will move forward with an all-expenses paid trip, sponsored by CCI Learning to represent Canada at the 2015 Microsoft Office Specialist World Championship in Dallas, Texas on Monday, August 10, 2015.

The 2015 Microsoft Office Specialist World Championship is a global competition that tests students' skills in Microsoft Office Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. Top students in each country are invited to compete at the World Championship.

Last year, the Microsoft Office Specialist World Championship attracted more than 400,000 unique candidates from 130 countries. This year, Microsoft is expecting even more candidates from all over the world. Candidates will compete for a chance to win a \$7,500 scholarship and the title of "World Champion" in their respective categories.

Westview Secondary IT Teacher, Todd Goodman is very proud of his students' hard work and dedication saying, "We are extremely proud of Phillip, Nash and Trevor. Their accomplishments this year earning Microsoft Office Specialist certifications have been stellar. They are all excited at the prospect of representing Canada at the Microsoft Office Specialist World Championship. These three students are amazing leaders, and will be an inspiration for future students in the program."

Malcolm Knox, President and CEO of CCI Learning is proud of Westview's success. He adds, "Westview began offering Microsoft Office Specialist in August. It is truly astonishing and



unprecedented in Canada to have all three champions from the same high school! They now go on to compete against their global peers to see who will be crowned world champion."

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