

## Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, CCI Learning and Certiport Announce 2015 Microsoft Office Specialist Washington State Champions

**Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint Winners Will be Invited to Orlando,  
 Florida for MOS U.S. National Championship**

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**CCI Learning, the Solution Provider in Washington State for Certiport**, a Pearson VUE business, the leading test delivery solution provider for the global workforce and academic markets, and the Washington State Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction today announced the [2015 Microsoft Office Specialist \(MOS\) Washington State Champions](#). Thousands of students entered and the top six winners will be invited to represent Washington and showcase their expert skills using Microsoft Word, Excel® and PowerPoint® at the 2015 Microsoft Office Specialist U.S. National Championship in Orlando, Florida June 18 – 20, 2015.

The 2015 MOS Washington State Champions are:

- **Ashley Masters, Kalama High School, first place, Word 2013**
- Mackenzie Harting, Walla Walla High School, second place, Word 2013
- Andrew Dutton, Walla Walla High School, third place, Word 2013
  
- **Mary McKeirnan, Walla Walla High School, first place, Excel 2013**
- Morgan VanRiper, Kalama High School, second place, Excel 2013
- Alyssa Savo, Puyallup High School, third place, Excel 2013
  
- **Emily Lozier, Kalama High School, first place, PowerPoint 2013**
- Diana Carranza, Auburn Mountainview High School, second place, PowerPoint 2013
- Hannah Cabasco, Walla Walla High School, third place, PowerPoint 2013
  
- **Aaron Page, Walla Walla High School, first place, Word 2010**
- Elias Juarez, Tumwater High School, second place, Word 2010
- Jamin Schultz, Tumwater High School, third place, Word 2010
  
- **Andrew Harvey, Walla Walla High School, first place, Excel 2010**
- Kaylee Nelson, Shelton High School, second place, Excel 2010
- Student from Shelton High School, third place, Excel 2010
  
- **Andrew Dutton, Walla Walla High School, first place, PowerPoint 2010**
- Gabriel Chernishoff, Medical Lake High School, second place, PowerPoint 2010
- Catherine Spencer, Mercer Island High School, third place, PowerPoint 2010

“Our students are all winners since the MOS Washington State Championship motivated them to earn industry certification, which prepares them for college and career,” said Randy Dorn, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Washington. “We watched kids all over the state get excited and we look forward to watching our champions compete at the MOS U.S. National Championship, where we know they will represent Washington well.”

"The level of skill these students have acquired is highly impressive. They have demonstrated a remarkable understanding of world leading skills required to compete in today's work force. The incredible success we've seen in Washington State continues to inspire us", says Malcolm Knox, CEO and President of CCI Learning.

Washington students age 13 to 22 were eligible to participate in one of six competition tracks by submitting a qualified, passing score on any of the following exams by May 20, 2015: Microsoft Office Specialist Word (2013 or 2010), Microsoft Office Specialist Excel (2013 or 2010), and Microsoft Office Specialist PowerPoint (2013 or 2010).

Invitations to the MOS U.S. National Championship were extended to the top champion in each exam track. During the 2015 MOS U.S. National Championship event, student competitors will take a unique competition exam in their track, further testing their knowledge of the applications. In conjunction with the event, Certiport will host the inaugural [2015 CERTIFIED Educator Conference](#). **CERTIFIED** will be a place for teachers who offer certification in their classrooms to share best practices, learn what is new, and learn why certification is valuable.

One winner per track will be named the 2015 MOS U.S. National Champion, and each will win an all-expenses-paid trip to compete in the [2015 MOS World Championship](#) in Dallas, Texas August 9-12, 2015.

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