TODAY'S CLASS HEALTH SCIENCE (FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT)

KANSAS CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CERTIFICATIONS AND CREDENTIALS PROJECT

FACT SHEET 2011-12

Purpose

- Provide free access to student instruction and/or assessment/testing for targeted areas of study in an approved Kansas Career Cluster.
- Students take formative assessments that move them toward receiving an industry-recognized certification or credential.
- Support the Kansas State Board of Education goals and policies for Career and Technical Education.

Registration Procedures

- Register for the specific industry-recognized certifications/credentials using the Kansas State Department of Education's (KSDE) online registration at the following link: http://events.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=479
- Registration requests number of students who will participate in the project.
- Registration and KSDE approval required.
- Deadline for registration is October 17, 2011.

What is Today's Class Health Science?

Today's Class Health Science is a versatile supplement to secondary curricula providing students with a fundamental understanding of anatomy and pathology. Its coverage of emergency response and medical ethics lays a foundation for aspiring healthcare professionals. Secondary Health Science students gain new perspectives on human anatomy as they explore the intricate systems of the body and view their process in voice-narrated animation.

- Today's Class Health Science motivates students to learn and apply their knowledge through a variety of interactive technologies.
- Today's Class Health Science is accessible to all students from any computer with internet connectivity 24/7.
- Today's Class Health Science is comprised of self-paced modules that are easily navigated through a linear menu.
- Today's Class Health Science quizzes students at regular intervals throughout each course while providing immediate feedback upon completion.
- Today's Class Health Science promotes student /instructor communication through system messages and tutor contact features.
- Today's Class Health Science is designed to support an existing curriculum with theory, concepts and interactive exercises.
- Today's Class Health Science includes an instructor account, which features multiple student monitoring options. Reporting features available provides a means for student management.
- Today's Class Health Science is presented in clear language and with ample illustration and visual accompaniment.
- Today's Class Health Science link: www.TodaysClass.com

Targeted Cluster

- Health Science

Pre-requisites

- Students must be currently enrolled in the appropriate course, cluster or pathway.
- Students must be CTE concentrators.
- Teachers must currently be teaching in the appropriate cluster.
- Instructor training for technical assistance for the program is provided and expected.

Data Reporting

- Data results will be reported to KSDE by June 30, 2012.

Cost

- There are no direct costs to the district or the individual.
- Federal funds paid for this project.

Additional Information

- Today's Class Health Science supports the eleven (11) Foundation Standards and Accountability Criteria.
- Today's Class Health Science was developed to assist students preparing for the National Consortium of Health Science Education third party assessment.
- Up to 500 students may be assessed statewide.
- KSDE will approve registrations based on applicability, availability and non-duplication of students.
- Continuance of this project is contingent upon federal funds.

Testing Window

- Once a student begins the online instruction, they have until May 1, 2012 to complete the testing process.

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