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Utah Holds Annual LearnKey Challenge for Technology

2007 Annual Utah LearnKey IT Challenge

Salt Lake City, Utah—May 1, 2007— LearnKey Challenge 2007, the first annual high school technology challenge is held May 1 from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm at Utah Valley State College (UVSC). High school students from all around Utah are coming together, either in a lab at UVSC or in labs set up in remote areas of Utah to face off in a technology challenge. Career & and Technical Education within the Utah State Office of Education and LearnKey, Inc. are hosting this event to recognize the technology students in high schools across Utah.

Over 300 students will be tested on CompTIA A+ and Network+, Microsoft 2003 Server, Cisco CCNA, Linux or Certiport IC³ certifications. The students scoring the highest on each exam will receive awards from various companies or scholarship money from UVSC. Sponsors of this event include Utah State Office of Education, LearnKey, Certiport, Novell, HP, IM Flash and LDS Business College. "In this year's LearnKey Challenge, the state's "all-state" IT students will be selected. Those winning awards will be among the best IT students in the state of Utah. Many will go on to become our future IT professionals. These students are learning skills and knowledge that will be beneficial to them the rest of their lives," says Carl Lyman, Information Technology Education Specialist, Utah State Office of Education.

Craig Lindstrom, Director of Information Systems at Brigham Young University (BYU), will give the keynote presentation. He will talk about the future of Information Technology and what high school students can do to prepare.

Schools attending this year's challenge include Carbon High School, Provo High School, Emery High School, Jordan ATC, Jordan High School, Uintah Basin ATC, Juan Diego High School, South West ATC, Woods Cross High School, Layton High School, Wasatch High School, Riverton High School, Box Elder High School, American Fork High School, Grantsville High School, Tooele High School, Cottonwood High School, and Bridgerland ATC.

LearnKey is providing the industry-based testing questions. Each certification test ranges from 30-45 minutes and students are allowed to take up to two exams. "Learnkey is known for preparing learners to take high-level IT certification exams and has made questions available for these students to better judge their preparation for the jobs available in the IT industry. Students doing well on these exams will know they are on their way to being able to pass the actual industry certification. It's also a way for the students and teachers to close the school year with measured and tested accomplishments for the hard work they've put in," says Jamie Franzman, VP Sales and Marketing of LearnKey.

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