Certification Voucher Program

As part of the SCC3 Grant, Stark State College is now offering vouchers for CompTIA certification exams until summer 2027 to students in good standing who have completed the preparation classes for the particular certifications. A list of classes and the certification exams they prepare a student for are listed below.

CFS136 Principles of Information Security	Security + Exam Voucher
CFS210 Cyber Defense Fundamentals	CySA+ Exam Voucher
NET120 PC Maintenance and Repair	A+ Exam Voucher
NET121 Intro to Networking	Net+ Exam Voucher
NET220 Unix/Linux Operating Environment	Linux+ Exam Voucher

As part of the grant, students are required to fill out a demographic and a consent form. The complete process/instruction list is linked below. Make sure you read all instructions first before starting the process. Things will move faster if you fill out the consent and demographic form prior to coming to pick up your voucher.   You can email John McNamara at jmcnamara@starkstate.edu if you have any questions about this program or the instructions.

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To take a CompTIA certification test at a Prometric Vue Testing location, you need to be a current IT student in good standing at the college and obtain a voucher for the test from Stark State College, then follow the steps listed below:

1. Go to the Pearson Prometric Vue Testing website at https://home.pearsonvue.com/

2. You must set up an account to schedule an exam. You won't be able to actually schedule the exam until you complete steps 3-7.

3. Pick one exam to take. We only allow one voucher at a time, but you can come and get another one after passing the first exam. (Remember that in some cases, the certification will consist of more than one exam; A+ comes to mind.)

4. Once you know what exam you want to take, head to the bursar's window.
   (S-Building 3rd floor)

5. **Tell the cashier you are there to pay fifty bucks for the SCC3 grant**. Pay the cashier $50. If you have a sufficient balance in your student account, they can deduct it from that account. This is a legitimate use of any financial aid funds. (NOTE: if you use a credit card there is a 3% processing fee)

6. Bring me a copy of the receipt from the cashier's office (Room C100, John McNamara), and I will give you the voucher number to use for the test**. Each voucher number is good for one test. If the certification consists of two tests, you must take the first one, pass it, and return for the second voucher.** When you come for the voucher, there are two forms you will need to fill out/sign for the State. The first is a consent form to allow the government to see your name, and the second one is about demographics (sex, race, you get the idea. It's the government, and they always want that stuff).

7. Vouchers are good for one year **from the date of purchase by the college**. Prometric will not honor a voucher after the expiration date. Please make note of the expiration date, as some vouchers are handed out with only 6 months left on them.

8. Log back into the Prometric website and schedule your test, entering the voucher number you were supplied with. You can take the test or tests at a physical location, or they can be taken online.

9. Take the test and pass it. Bring your exam score page to me (John McNamara), and I will give you a $50 gift card for Amazon to reimburse you for the money you paid upfront. I will give you the card regardless of whether you pass or not. If you fail, you can still bring me your score page, and you will still get a gift card.

Good Luck!