



Countdown Evolution

Opportunity for College and University Academy Students

We have some exciting news!! Cisco is sponsoring 10 Networking Academy students to go to the Cisco Live conference in San Diego in June. Students have to be 21 years old and meet the requirements outlined below. I know you have excellent students who would qualify. Please forward the email below to students that qualify and that you would like to nominate. The deadline for them to apply is **April 11th**. You will have to provide a written recommendation for these students to paste into their electronic application.

Selected students will work with Cisco CCIEs and engineers to set up the NOC (Networking Operating Center), maintain the physical layer, and respond to support needs. Each will receive a pass to attend sessions and demos during scheduled free time. Technologies showcased this year will include core, switching, digital media, IPv4/IPv6 routing, TelePresence, video analytics and much more.

Cisco will pay for flights, hotel and meals for the 10 selected students (the 'Dream Team').

Applicants must meet the following criteria to apply:

- At least age 21 as of June 5, 2012
- Enrolled in academy course during the 2011-12 school year
- Available to travel to San Diego on June 5-12 or June 9-15
- CCENT certified or completion of CCNA 1 and 2
- Able to perform the tasks outlined in the Schedule (on right)
- Written recommendation from academy instructor
- Able to pay for miscellaneous costs during the trip

The following will be provided to each student, paid by Cisco:

- Flights to and from San Diego, California
- Hotel (students will be booked two per room)
- Meals for the days they are at Cisco Live
- Event conference pass

If you meet the criteria above and want to participate, please complete your application by **April 9**. Make sure all answers are complete. Selected students will be notified via email by April 16.

Save the Date!

The *Academy Support Center Partnership* will be holding our first regional conference on **May 10-11**, 2012. This conference will be held in Chicago, on Moraine Valley Community College's campus. May 10 will be dinner and our special keynote speaker, Mike Yutzenka, Director of Corporate Affairs at Cisco, from 7pm-9:30pm. May 11 will be sessions on various topics from 8:30am-4:30pm.

Our session topics cover the must haves to keep you prepared for the classroom and with Academy Evolution. These are the topics: packet tracer, CCNAS/CCNAV, ITE, Academy Evolution, VMWare/Cloud Computing, and Network Security. These sessions will help enrich your students classroom experience, educate yourself further with tools that Cisco offers, introduce you to The ASC Partnership and help you gain an overview of the Academy Evolution process.

Cost is **\$50 for members** of The ASC Partnership and **\$100 for non-members**. We will be contacting you with registration information in the near future.

Please don't hesitate to contact us with your concerns and questions.

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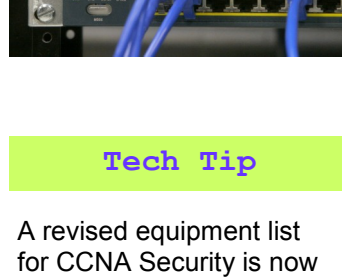
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Tech Tip

A revised equipment list for CCNA Security is now available on the Academy Connection site

