

Apex Learning Expands Course Catalog for the 2014–2015 Academic Year

New courses address evolving standards and academic needs

SEATTLE, WA — May 13, 2014 — Apex Learning, the leading provider of blended and virtual learning solutions to the nation's schools, has announced the expansion of its course catalog for the 2014–2015 academic year. The new courses demonstrate the company's continued commitment to ensuring Apex Learning online courses fully meet expectations as standards evolve, as well as new investments in Career and Technical Education.

"We are committed to ensuring our standards-based courses fully meet the requirements of the schools we partner with," said Cheryl Vedoe, CEO of Apex Learning. "Each year we make a significant investment in the development of new courses, as is reflected in the additions to our catalog for the 2014–2015 school year."

Apex Learning has announced the first two courses in a series of Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses that provide an opportunity for high school students to get a head start on preparing for careers in several fields.

Introduction to Health Science is the first in a set of courses that will prepare students for certification in careers that may include nursing assistant, medical coder and medical assistant. Similarly, Business Applications is the first in a sequence of business and technology courses offering Microsoft Office Specialist certifications along with hands-on experience and portfolio building opportunities. Each of these CTE courses is part of a program of study that gives students the skills, experience and credentials they need to enter the workforce upon completion.

To ensure the expectations of state-specific standards are satisfied, Apex Learning has announced new math courses specifically aligned to the Common Core Georgia Performance Standards for Mathematics and the new North Carolina and South Carolina state-specific College and Career Ready Standards. These courses include Georgia Coordinate Algebra, Analytic Geometry and Advanced Algebra and Math I, II and III in North Carolina and Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II in South Carolina.

In addition, <u>Apex Learning</u> has announced Integrated Physics and Chemistry (IPC) based on the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). The IPC course is in addition to 13 existing Texasspecific courses in math, English, science and social studies.

The Apex Learning 2014–2015 course catalog also includes new English 11 and English 12 courses developed to fully meet the expectations of the Common Core State Standards, a new AP U.S. History course to addresses the revisions to the College Board specifications for the course and associated exam, a new AP English Language course, and an AP Psychology course updated to reflect changes to terminology in the field of psychology.

For more information about <u>Apex Learning</u> Comprehensive Courses for the 2014–2015 academic year, please contact 1.800.453.1454 or visit: http://www.apexlearning.com.

About Apex Learning

Nearly two decades ago Apex Learning emerged as a leader in digital learning for secondary education, developing online Advanced Placement courses to provide students who would otherwise not have access the opportunity to take rigorous, college-level courses. Recognizing the challenges schools face in meeting the needs of every student — from those struggling to stay on track for graduation to those capable of accelerating their learning — the company continues to develop innovative, digital learning solutions to support teachers and provide every student with the opportunity to excel beyond his or her expectations.

Today Apex Learning offers a comprehensive catalog of rigorous, standards-based online courses that meet high school graduation requirements. Apex Learning Comprehensive Courses are used by schools nationwide for both initial credit and credit recovery. The company's latest digital learning solution —Tutorials — are a key component of effective blended learning, providing classroom teachers with the critical resources they need to meet the needs of all students including preparation for high stakes assessments, targeted intervention and just-in-time remediation and enhanced instruction for all students.

Apex Learning, headquartered in Seattle, is accredited by the Northwest Accreditation Commission and its courses are approved for National Collegiate Athletic Association eligibility. For more information, visit www.apexlearning.com or call 1.800.453.1454.

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