

MyMathTest Takes The Guess Work Out of College Course Selection

Students Get Personalized Study Plan and Tutorials to Improve Math Skills

BOSTON, Aug. 27—It's back to school season and at college campuses across America, millions of students will be taking placement tests that determine what math classes they will take this fall. This annual rite of passage is now easier for teachers and students alike with MyMathTest, a personalized, online placement tool from Pearson, the global leader in educational publishing and technology.

"Every year, we have a number of students enrolling in a math or science class but have forgotten some mathematical topic. A quick review is all they need. However, the class needs to be offered anytime of the year so students can access it whenever the need arises," said Deanna Li, a mathematics instructor at North Seattle Community College.

"After looking at the different options that allow students to do a quick review, I chose MyMathTest," Li continued. "First, it assesses student needs and then recommends what must be studied. Then, it gives ample practice until the student can master the concept. I am very pleased with what MyMathTest can do. I think students will benefit enormously."

Instructors can use MyMathTest's online test banks to create their own unique tests that assess students' skills at the developmental or pre-calculus level. The program offers instructors a range of options, including unlimited variations on test questions, test preview, password access, prerequisites and partial credit on multi-part questions. Instructors also can set limits on the number of attempts at the test.

In addition, MyMathTest offers a powerful online grade book that automatically records test results and can generate detailed reports on the results and export them to a spreadsheet program. From the grade book, instructors can quickly assign students based on their results and send an email informing the students of their placement.

Instructors also can use MyMathTest to create short refresher courses to help students come up to speed with their math skills.

For students, MyMathTest provides personalized study plans and feedback to help them improve their skills. Students can choose to study on their own or work in a refresher course for an instructor, take practice tests and receive tutoring, including videos and step-by-step instruction.

"We needed a placement test that fit our students and courses. MyMathTest will enable our department to create an effective placement tool. The MyMathTest platform will allow us to develop, improve and ultimately customize a placement test for our students

and our course offerings," said Graham Smith, a mathematics instructor at Kellogg College.

More information about MyMathTest is available at www.mymathtest.com.

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