OpenJS Node.js Application Developer (JSNAD)
OpenJS Node.js Services Developer (JSNSD)
Certification Program FAQ

What is The OpenJS Node.js Application Developer (JSNAD) certification?
The OpenJS Node.js Application Developer certification is designed for anyone looking to demonstrate competence with Node.js to create applications of any kind, with a focus on knowledge of Node.js core APIs.

What is the OpenJS Node.js Services Developer certification?
The OpenJS Node.js Services Developer certification is designed for anyone looking to demonstrate competence in creating RESTful Node.js Servers and Services (or Microservices) with a particular emphasis on security practices.

Do I need to take and pass both exams to get certified?
No. Each exam is stand alone, and the passing of one means certification in that exam/subject area.

Where do I go and what do I need to take an exam?
Exams are delivered online with a remote proctor and can be taken from anywhere in the world. Candidates need to make sure they meet system and identification requirements. Please review the candidate handbook for full details.
JSNAD Candidate Handbook
JSNSD Candidate Handbook

How much does one exam cost?
The exams cost $300 USD each. Test takers are also offered one complimentary re-take if they do not pass the first time.

How long will one exam take?
Candidates are allowed 2 hours to complete an exam.

How is the exam proctored?

The certification exam is proctored remotely during the exam session via streaming audio, video, and screen sharing feeds. The screen sharing feed allows proctors to view candidates' desktops, including all monitors. The audio, video and screen sharing feeds will be stored for a limited period of time in the event that there is a subsequent need for review.

What are the system requirements to take the exam?
Candidates must provide their own front-end hardware to take exams, including a computer with:
- Chrome or Chromium browser
- reliable internet access
- webcam
- microphone

The workstation on which the hardware (i.e. desktop or laptop) is placed must, aside from the required hardware, reveal a clean surface with no obstructions overhead or underneath. Candidates should ensure that their webcam is capable of being moved in case the proctor requests that the Candidate pan their surroundings to check for potential violations of exam policy.

What is the recourse for someone who attributes exam failure to the testing environment?
We understand that taking the exams via remote desktop and a new platform environment may cause a lag time for some, however there are trade offs needed to offer this exam remotely. We will continually monitor and seek to improve the testing experience over time. We do offer free retakes for anyone who does not pass the first time, regardless of why.

What resources am I allowed to access during my exam?
During the exam, candidates may only use the browser within the VM to access Node.js or JavaScript documentation and the documentation of any Node.js ecosystem modules used. Stack Overflow (stackoverflow.com), Stack Exchange (stackexchange.com), Server Fault (serverfault.com) or Super User (superuser.com) will not be accessible to the candidate during the exam.

What are the ID requirements to take the exam?
Candidates are required to provide a non-expired Primary ID that contains Candidate's photograph, signature and full name (see acceptable forms of ID in the table below).

If the Candidate's full name on their Primary ID contains non-latin characters, then the Candidate must ALSO provide a non-expired Secondary ID containing their full name in Latin Characters and signature, OR a notarized English translation of their Primary ID along with the non-latin character Primary ID.

Primary ID (non-expired and including photograph and signature)	Secondary ID (non-expired and including signature with Candidate name in Latin characters)

Passport Government-issued driver's license/permit Government-Issued local language ID (plastic card with photo and signature) National Identity card State or province-issued identity card	Debit (ATM) Card Credit Card Health Insurance Card U.S. Social Security Card

Exams may be administered to citizens of a sanctioned country listed below PROVIDED the citizens are tested OUTSIDE the sanctioned country and their exam registration and current ID show an address OUTSIDE the sanctioned country

- ○ Cuba
- ○ Iran
- ○ Syria
- ○ Sudan
- ○ North Korea
- ○ Crimea Region of Ukraine

What score is needed to pass the exam?
For the JSNAD exam, a score of 68% or above is needed to pass the exam.
For the JSNSD a score of 68% or above is needed to pass the exam.

How is my exam scored?
Exams are scored automatically, usually within 24 hours of completion. Results will be emailed within 36 hours from the time that the Exam was completed. Results will also be made available on My Portal. Exams are graded for results. There may be more than one way to perform an objective on an Exam and unless otherwise specified, the candidate can pick any available path to perform the objective as long as it produces the correct result.

What language(s) is the exam offered in?
The JSNAD exam and the JSNSD are currently offered in English.

How long is my certification valid?
OpenJS Node.js Certifications are valid for 3 years and candidates may keep the certification valid by completing the renewal requirement option below. Renewal requirements must be completed prior to the expiration of the certification.

How do I renew my certification?
Candidates have the option to retake and pass the same exam to keep their certification valid. The certification will be valid for 3 years starting on the date the exam is retaken and passed.

How was the exam content created?
The Linux Foundation and OpenJS Foundation worked with industry experts to craft relevant and challenging exams. These experts include folks from NearForm and Node Source, as well as members of the Node.js community and ecosystem.

How do I get additional exam-related questions answered?
For questions or to provide feedback, please contact certificationsupport@openjsf.org

How do I provide feedback on my experience?
Please provide feedback on your experience by completing the survey presented to you when you complete the exam.