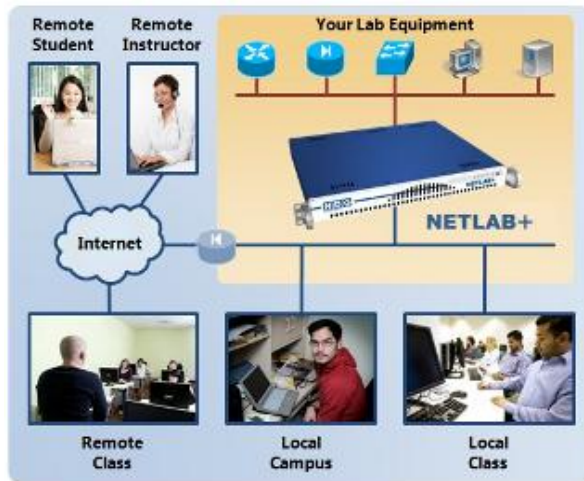


NETLAB+ Support of the VMware IT Academy Program[®]



NDG is partnering with the [VMware IT Academy Program](#) to pilot NETLAB+ support of the Install Configure and Manage (ICM) course. The use of NETLAB+ will provide an opportunity for educational organizations seeking a highly scalable, cost effective solution to offer access to the technology required for the VMware IT Academy Program.

Learn more about NETLAB+:

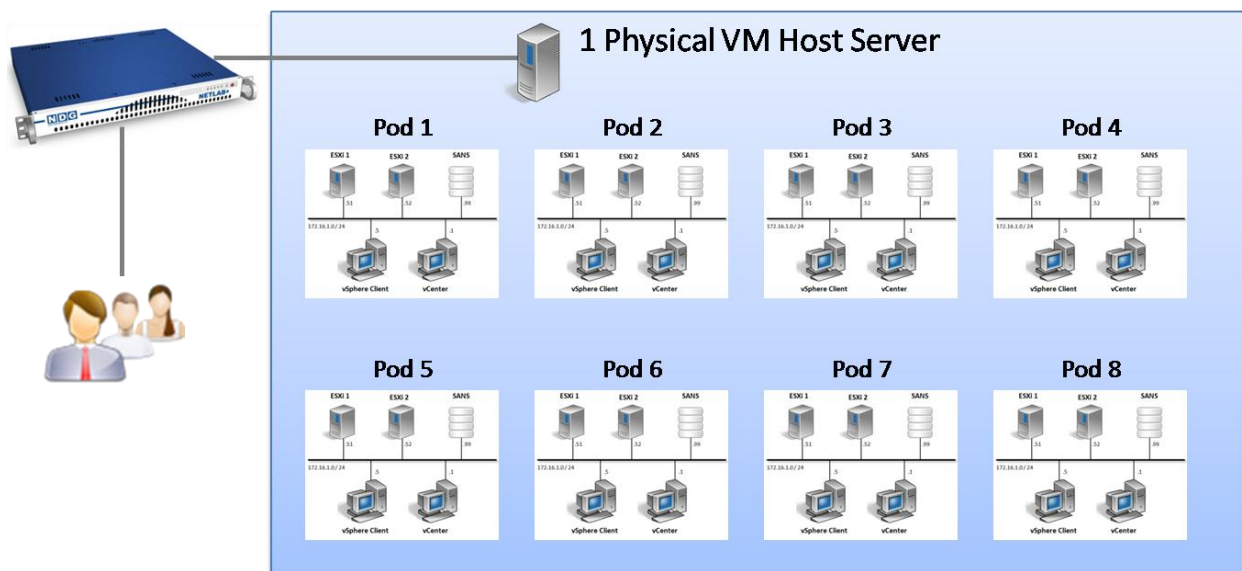
www.netdevgroup.com

Learn more about the VMware IT Academy Program:

www.vmware.com/partners/programs/vap/

Reducing the Cost of Delivering VMware Training

Organizations who wish to offer the highly sought-after VMware IT Academy Program curriculum often face a financial challenge. A significant amount of physical hardware is needed in order to adequately provide students with the necessary equipment access. This requires a financial commitment that may be beyond the budget of some 2-year colleges and technical schools. NDG is collaborating with the VMware IT Academy Program to reduce the cost of delivering VMware training. NDG and the VMware IT Academy Program are working together to prepare NETLAB+ for traditional and distance learning course delivery.

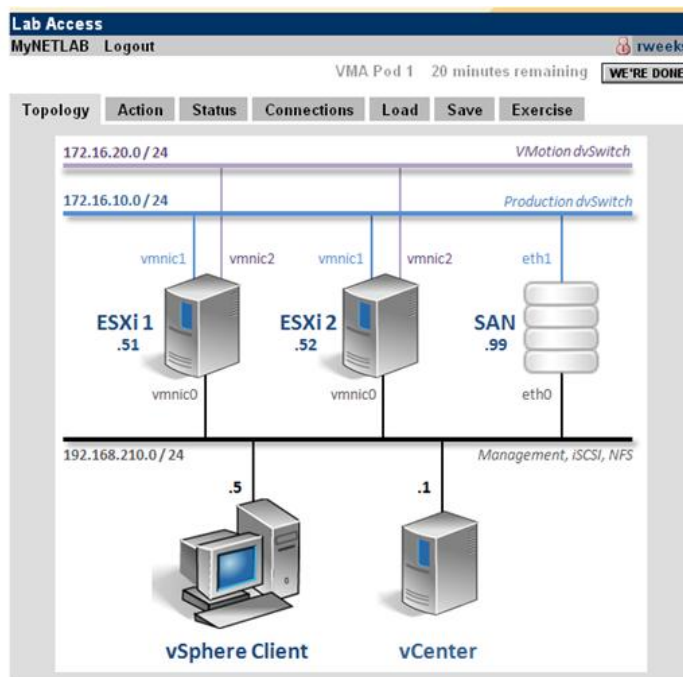


Get Twice the Value from a NETLAB Academy Edition[®] System

Pending final analysis and evaluation, NDG intends to support both the Cisco Networking Academy and the VMware IT Academy Program using [NETLAB Academy Edition](#). This will provide an incredible value to organizations who participate in both programs. There will also be the option to use [NETLAB Professional Edition[®]](#) and [NETLAB Enterprise Edition[™]](#) to support both programs at higher volumes.

Pilot Testing NETLAB+ for the VMware IT Academy

NDG and the VMware IT Academy Program have established a pilot program, currently in progress, utilizing NETLAB+ and VMware software to create a cost effective and highly scalable lab platform for the VMware IT Academy vSphere 4 Install, Configure, Manage (ICM) Course. The pilot has three phases: Phase 1 – NDG will host for select Academy feedback and testing. Phase 2 – Existing NETLAB+ customers participating in the VMware IT Academy with VMware certified instructors can host the ICM setup. Phase 3 – New NETLAB+ customers can host the ICM setup.



In the NETLAB+ pod design for the VMware IT Academy ICM course, all lab components are 100% virtualized (i.e. ESXi-in-ESXi) to achieve a high pod to physical host ratio, at a significantly lower cost point relative to traditional delivery of ICM. Using virtualization and the sharing and scheduling capabilities of NETLAB+, each student (or team of students) has access to their own set of virtual equipment, which they may maintain exclusive use of throughout the course.

NETLAB+'s use of virtualized lab components results in a significant cost reduction by allowing several pods to run simultaneously on one physical server (final ratio to be determined).

Want to Learn More?

- NETLAB+ Support of VMware IT Academy: www.netdevgroup.com/solutions/vmware.html
- Contact NDG: www.netdevgroup.com/contact/
- VMware IT Academy Program: www.vmware.com/partners/programs/vap/

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