

NEWS RELEASE

Strong Demand Delivers Another Record Quarter for Stride

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RESTON, Va., April 29, 2025 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Stride, Inc. (NYSE: LRN), one of the nation's most successful technology-based education companies, today announced its results for the third fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2025.

Third Quarter Fiscal 2025 Highlights Compared to 2024

- Revenue of \$613.4 million, compared with \$520.8 million.
- Income from operations of \$130.8 million, compared with \$88.3 million.
- Net income of \$99.3 million, compared with \$69.7 million.
- Diluted net income per share of \$2.02, compared with \$1.60.
- Adjusted operating income of \$141.7 million, compared with \$96.4 million. (1)
- Adjusted EBITDA of \$168.3 million, compared with \$120.5 million. (1)

Third Quarter Fiscal 2025 Summary Financial Metrics

	Three Months Ended March 31,			Change 2025/2024	
	20:	25	2024	\$	%
			s, except percentages		
Revenues	\$	613,376 \$	520,837 \$	92,539	17.8%
Income from operations Adjusted operating income (1)		130,786 141,744	88,313 96,410	42,473 45,334	48.1% 47.0%
Net income Net income per share, diluted		99,346 2.02	69,687 1.60	29,659 0.42	42.6% 26.3%
EBITDA (1) Adjusted EBITDA (1)		159,727 168,275	115,297 120,547	44,430 47,728	38.5% 39.6%

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(1) To supplement our financial statements presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), we also present non-GAAP financial measures including adjusted operating income (loss), EBITDA and adjusted EBITDA. Management believes that these additional measures provide useful information to investors relating to our financial performance. A reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures is provided below.

Nine Month Fiscal 2025 Highlights Compared to 2024

- Revenue of \$1,751.7 million, compared with \$1,505.9 million.
- Income from operations of \$303.2 million, compared with \$175.9 million.
- Net income of \$236.6 million, compared with \$141.4 million.
- Diluted net income per share of \$4.95, compared with \$3.26.
- Adjusted operating income of \$335.7 million, compared with \$206.0 million. (1)
- Adjusted EBITDA of \$412.6 million, compared with \$278.7 million. (1)

Nine Month Fiscal 2025 Summary Financial Metrics

	Nine Months Ended March 31,		March 31,	Change 2025/2024		
		2025	2024	\$	%	
		(In thousand	ls, except percentages a	tages and per share data)		
Revenues	\$	1,751,670 \$	1,505,886 \$	245,784	16.3%	
Income from operations Adjusted operating income (1)		303,229 335,673	175,922 206,044	127,307 129,629	72.4% 62.9%	
Net income Net income per share, diluted		236,621 4.95	141,401 3.26	95,220 1.69	67.3% 51.8%	
EBITDA (1) Adjusted EBITDA (1)		387,699 412,621	257,386 278,658	130,313 133,963	50.6% 48.1%	

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measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures is provided below.

Revenue Data

	 Three Month March		Change 20	025 / 2024		Nine Month March		Change 202	25 / 2024
	 2025	2024	\$	%		2025	2024	\$	%
				(In thousands,	, exc	ept percentage	es)		
General Education Career Learning	\$ 370,821 \$	328,894 \$	41,927	12.7%	\$	1,054,542	942,135 \$	112,407	11.9%
Middle - High School Adult	223,868 18,687	167,919 24,024	55,949 (5,337)	33.3% (22.2%)		635,832 61,296	483,972 79,779	151,860 (18,483)	31.4% (23.2%)
Total Career Learning	 242,555	191,943	50,612	26.4%		697,128	563,751	133,377	23.7%
Total Revenues	\$ 613,376 \$	520,837 \$	92,539	17.8%	\$	1,751,670	1,505,886 \$	245,784	16.3%

Enrollment and Revenue Per Enrollment Data

Third quarter enrollments averaged 240.2K, up 21.1% compared to 198.4K enrollments in the third quarter of fiscal year 2024. Of the total average enrollments, 98.7K were Career Learning enrollments, up 33.7% compared to 73.8K Career Learning enrollments in the third quarter of fiscal 2024.

Enrollments only include those students in full service public or private programs where Stride provides a combination of curriculum, technology, and instructional and support services, inclusive of administrative support and may include enrollments for which Stride receives no public funding or revenue. Stride does not report enrollments for our Adult Learning business.

Revenue per enrollment for the third quarter was \$2,415, down slightly compared to \$2,420 in the third quarter of fiscal year 2024. General Education revenue per enrollment was \$2,516, up 0.4%, and Career Learning revenue per enrollment was \$2,269, down 0.1%, compared to the third quarter of fiscal year 2024. If the mix of enrollments changes, our revenues will be impacted to the extent the average revenues per enrollments are significantly different.

Cash Flow and Capital Allocation

As of March 31, 2025, the Company's cash and cash equivalents and marketable securities totaled \$754.6 million, compared with \$714.2 million reported at June 30, 2024.

Capital expenditures for the three months ended March 31, 2025 were \$15.8 million, compared to \$16.3 million in the three months ended March 31, 2024, and were comprised of \$0.2 million of property and equipment, \$10.0 million of capitalized software development and \$5.6 million of capitalized curriculum development.

Fiscal Year 2025 Outlook

The Company is raising its revenue and adjusted operating income forecast for the full fiscal year 2025:

- Revenue in the range of \$2.370 billion to \$2.385 billion.
- Capital expenditures in the range of \$60 million to \$65 million. Note that capital expenditures include the purchase of property and equipment, and capitalized software and curriculum development costs as defined on our Statement of Cash Flows.
- Effective tax rate of 24% to 26%.
- Adjusted operating income in the range of \$455 million to \$465 million. (1)
- (1) In addition to providing an outlook for revenue and capital expenditures, adjusted operating income is provided as a supplemental non-GAAP financial measure as management believes that it provides useful information to our investors. A reconciliation of this non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure is provided below. Please also see Special Note on Forward-Looking Statements below.

Conference Call

The Company will discuss its third quarter fiscal year 2025 financial results during a conference call scheduled for Tuesday, April 29, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. eastern time (ET).

A live webcast of the call will be available at https://events.q4inc.com/attendee/598145147. To participate in the live call, investors and analysts should dial (800) 715-9871 (domestic) or +1 (646) 307-1963 (international) and provide the conference ID number 8901384. Please access the website at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the call.

A replay of the call will be posted at https://events.q4inc.com/attendee/598145147 as soon as it is available.

About Stride Inc.

Stride Inc. (NYSE: LRN) is redefining lifelong learning with innovative, high-quality education solutions. Serving

learners in primary, secondary, and postsecondary settings, Stride provides a wide range of services including K-12 education, career learning, professional skills training, and talent development. Stride reaches learners in all 50 states and over 100 countries. Learn more at **stridelearning.com**.

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Special Note on Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 that involve substantial risks and uncertainties, including statements about future Revenue, adjusted operating income, capital expenditures and effective tax rate. All statements other than statements of historical facts contained in this press release are forward-looking statements. We have tried, whenever possible, to identify these forward-looking statements using words such as "outlook," "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "continues," "likely," "may," "opportunity," "potential," "projects," "will," "will be," "expects," "plans," "intends" and similar expressions to identify forward-looking statements, whether in the negative or the affirmative. These statements reflect our current beliefs and are based upon information currently available to us. Accordingly, such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which could cause our actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, such statements. These risks, uncertainties, factors and contingencies include, but are not limited to: reduction of per pupil funding amounts at the schools we serve; inability to achieve a sufficient level of new enrollments to sustain our business model; limitations of the enrollment data we present, which may not fully capture trends in the performance of our business; failure to enter into new school contracts or renew existing contracts, in part or in their entirety; failure of the schools we serve or us to comply with our contracts, federal, state and local regulations, resulting in a loss of funding, an obligation to repay funds previously received, or contractual remedies; change in law, governmental policy and/or regulations; governmental investigations that could result in fines, penalties, settlements, or injunctive relief; declines or variations in academic performance outcomes of the students and schools we serve as curriculum standards, testing programs and state accountability metrics evolve; harm to our reputation resulting from poor performance or misconduct by operators or us in any school in our industry and/or in any school in which we operate; legal and regulatory challenges from opponents of virtual public education or for-profit education companies; changes in national and local economic and business conditions and other factors, such as natural disasters, pandemics and outbreaks of contagious diseases and other

adverse public health developments; discrepancies in interpretation of legislation by regulatory agencies that may lead to payment or funding disputes; termination of our contracts, or a reduction in the scope of services, with schools; failure to develop the Career Learning business; entry of new competitors with superior technologies and lower prices; unsuccessful integration of mergers, acquisitions and joint ventures; failure to further develop, maintain and enhance our technology, products, services and brands; inadequate recruiting, training and retention of effective teachers and employees; infringement of our intellectual property; disruptions to our Internet-based learning and delivery systems, including, but not limited to, our data storage systems and third-party cloud systems and facilities, resulting from cybersecurity attacks; misuse or unauthorized disclosure of student and personal data; failure to prevent or mitigate a cybersecurity incident that affects our systems; and risks related to artificial intelligence; and other risks and uncertainties associated with our business described in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Although the Company believes the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are based upon reasonable assumptions, it can give no assurance that the expectations will be attained or that any deviation will not be material. All information in this press release is as of today's date, and the Company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to conform the statement to actual results or changes in the Company's expectations.

Financial Statements

The financial statements set forth below are not the complete set of Stride, Inc.'s financial statements for the three and nine months ended March 31, 2025 and are presented below without footnotes. Readers are encouraged to obtain and carefully review Stride Inc.'s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2025, including all financial statements contained therein and the footnotes thereto, filed with the SEC, which may be retrieved from the SEC's website at www.sec.gov or from Stride Inc.'s website at www.stridelearning.com.

STRIDE, INC.
UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

		onths Ended och 31,	Nine Months Ended March 31,		
	2025	2024	2025	2024	
	(In thousands except s	hare and per share data)		
Revenues Instructional costs and services	\$ 613,376 364,086		\$ 1,751,670 1,046,670	\$ 1,505,886 930,495	
Gross margin Selling, general, and administrative expenses	249,290 118,504	201,329 113,016	705,000 401,771	575,391 399,469	
Income from operations Interest expense, net Other income, net	130,786 (2,787) 7,360	88,313 (2,404) 7,678	303,229 (7,810) 23,469	175,922 (6,494) 19,381	
Income before income taxes and income (loss) from equity method investments	135,359	93,587	318,888	188,809	
Income tax expense Income (loss) from equity method investments	(35,450) (563)	(24,657) 757	(80,088) (2,179)	(48,383) 975	
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$ 99,346	\$ 69,687	\$ 236,621	\$ 141,401	
Net income attributable to common stockholders per share: Basic	\$ 2.31	\$ 1.63	\$ 5.50	\$ 3.32	

Diluted	\$ 2.02	2 \$	1.60	\$ 4.95	\$ 3.26
Weighted average shares used in computing per share					
amounts:					
Basic	43,092,682)	42,684,561	42,992,727	42,581,869
Diluted	49,181,728	3	43,655,841	47,798,923	43,389,903

STRIDE, INC. UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	 March 31,		June 30,
	 2025		2024
	(In thousands except sl	2250 200	(audited)
ASSETS	(iii tilousalius except si	iare and	i per share data)
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$34,680 and \$31,298 Inventories, net Prepaid expenses Marketable securities Other current assets Total current assets	\$ 528,547 699,817 22,375 49,733 195,144 17,361	\$	500,614 472,754 36,748 29,164 191,672 14,494 1,245,446
Operating lease right-of-use assets, net Property and equipment, net Capitalized software, net Capitalized curriculum development costs, net Intangible assets, net Goodwill Deferred tax asset Deposits and other assets	46,011 88,490 76,932 55,860 52,759 246,676 3,363 124,876		54,503 50,856 81,952 53,232 60,282 246,676 7,200 120,318
Total assets	\$ 2,207,944	\$	1,920,465
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			<u>. </u>
Current liabilities Accounts payable Accrued liabilities Accrued compensation and benefits Deferred revenue Current portion of finance lease liability Current portion of operating lease liability Total current liabilities	\$ 40,204 71,185 68,959 32,902 44,011 12,306 269,567	\$	40,970 60,796 64,878 35,742 29,146 12,748 244,280
Long-term finance lease liability Long-term operating lease liability Long-term debt Other long-term liabilities Total liabilities	 52,763 36,790 415,913 15,539 790,572		26,452 45,192 414,675 13,841 744,440
Commitments and contingencies Stockholders' equity Preferred stock, par value \$0.0001; 10,000,000 shares authorized; zero shares	730,372		/ <u>~~</u>
issued or outstanding Common stock, par value \$0.0001; 100,000,000 shares authorized; 48,824,622 and 48,576,164 shares issued; and 43,489,879 and 43,241,421 shares outstanding, respectively	4		4
Additional paid-in capital Accumulated other comprehensive loss Retained earnings Treasury stock of 5,334,743 shares at cost	724,767 (50) 795,133 (102,482)		720,033 (42) 558,512 (102,482)
Total stockholders' equity	 1,417,372	-	1,176,025
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,207,944	\$	1,920,465

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STRIDE, INC.

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Nine Months Ended (In thousands) Cash flows from operating activities Net income \$ 236,621 \$ 141,401 Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: 84.470 81.464 Depreciation and amortization expense Stock-based compensation expense 24,922 21,272 (4,629)Deferred income taxes 5,655 Provision for credit losses 13,357 18,895 Amortization of fees on debt 1,238 1,236 11,055 Noncash operating lease expense 9,230 1,444 Other Changes in assets and liabilities: Accounts receivable (240, 429)(133,144)Inventories, prepaid expenses, deposits and other current and long-term assets (2,763) (11,585) (9,875) (3,643)Accounts payable (528)8,463 Accrued liabilities Accrued compensation and benefits 4.149 4,834 Operating lease liability (9.583)(11,695)Deferred revenue and other liabilities Net cash provided by operating activities 134,492 106.595 Cash flows from investing activities Purchase of property and equipment Capitalized software development costs (1,350)(1,500)(28,605)(30, 130)(13,534) Capitalized curriculum development costs (15,451) Other acquisitions, loans and investments, net of distributions (1,681)(693)221,530 107,020 Proceeds from the maturity of marketable securities Purchases of marketable securities Net cash used in investing activities (53.343)Cash flows from financing activities Repayments on finance lease obligations Repurchase of restricted stock for income tax withholding (29.957)(32.212)Net cash used in financing activities (39,809) Net change in cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash 30,520 (34,230)500,614 Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, beginning of period 410.807 Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash, end of period 531.134 376.577 Reconciliation of cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash to balance sheet as of March 31st: 528,547 Cash and cash equivalents 376.577 Other current assets (restricted cash) 476 Deposits and other assets (restricted cash) 111 Total cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash 531.134

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

To supplement our financial statements presented in accordance with GAAP, we have presented adjusted operating income (loss), EBITDA, and adjusted EBITDA, which are not presented in accordance with GAAP.

- Adjusted operating income (loss) is defined as income (loss) from operations as adjusted for stock-based compensation and the amortization of intangible assets.
- EBITDA is defined as income (loss) from operations as adjusted for depreciation and amortization.
- Adjusted EBITDA is defined as income (loss) from operations as adjusted for stock-based compensation and depreciation and amortization.
- · Adjusted EBITDA and adjusted operating income (loss) exclude stock-based compensation, which consists of

expenses for stock options, restricted stock, restricted stock units, and performance stock units.

Management believes that the presentation of these non-GAAP financial measures provides useful information to investors relating to our financial performance. Adjusted operating income (loss) and Adjusted EBITDA remove stock-based compensation, which is a non-cash charge that varies based on market volatility and the terms and conditions of the awards. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA remove depreciation and amortization, which can vary depending upon accounting methods and the book value of assets. EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA provide a measure of corporate performance exclusive of capital structure and the method by which assets were acquired.

Our management uses these non-GAAP financial measures:

- as additional measures of operating performance because they assist us in comparing our performance on a consistent basis; and
- in presentations to the members of our Board of Directors to enable our Board to review the same measures used by management to compare our current operating results with corresponding prior periods.

Other companies may define these non-GAAP financial measures differently and, as a result, our use of these non-GAAP financial measures may not be directly comparable to similar non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies. Although we use these non-GAAP financial measures to assess the performance of our business, the use of non-GAAP financial measures is limited as they include and/or do not include certain items not included and/or included in the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure.

These non-GAAP financial measures should be considered in addition to, and not as a substitute for, revenues, income (loss) from operations, net income (loss) and net income (loss) per share or other related financial information prepared in accordance with GAAP. Adjusted EBITDA is not intended to be a measure of liquidity. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these non-GAAP financial measures.

A reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures is provided below.

Third Quarter and First Nine Months of Fiscal Year 2025

Reconciliation of Income from Operations to Adjusted Operating Income

Three Month		Nine Months Ended					
March 3	31,	March 31,					
2025	2024	2025	2024				
(In thousa	nds)						

Income from operations
Amortization of intangible assets
Stock-based compensation expense
Adjusted operating income

\$ 130,786	\$ 88,313	\$ 303,229	\$ 175,922
2,410	2,847	7,522	8,850
8,548	5,250	24,922	21,272
141,744	96,410	335,673	206,044

Reconciliation of Net Income to EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA

Net income
Interest expense, net
Other income, net
Income tax expense
(Income) loss from equity method investments
Depreciation and amortization
EBITDA
Stock-based compensation expense
Adjusted EBITDA

 Three Mor Mare	nths Er ch 31,	nded	Nine Months Ended March 31,				
2025		2024		2025		2024	
\$ 99,346 2,787 (7,360) 35,450 563 28,941	\$	(In tho 69,687 2,404 (7,678) 24,657 (757) 26,984	usands \$	236,621 7,810 (23,469) 80,088 2,179 84,470	\$	141,401 6,494 (19,381) 48,383 (975) 81,464	
159,727 8,548		115,297 5,250		387,699 24,922		257,386 21,272	
\$ 168,275	\$	120,547	\$	412,621	\$	278,658	

Fiscal Year 2025 Outlook

Reconciliation of Income from Operations to Adjusted Operating Income (unaudited)

Income from operations Stock-based compensation expense Amortization of intangible assets Adjusted operating income

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Low	Hi	gh
\$ (In mi 411.2 34.0	llions) \$	417.7
\$ 9.8 455.0	\$	37.0 10.3 465.0

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Source: Stride, Inc.