K12 Inc. Expands the Most Extensive Online K-12 Catalog for School Districts

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K12 Inc., the nation’s leading provider of technology-powered individualized education solutions for students in pre-kindergarten through high school, today announced that it has expanded its course catalog available to school districts for the 2013-2014 school year.

The most extensive in the K-12 industry with more than 500 unique online courses and titles, the K12® school district catalog now has more than 20 new or enhanced courses, including updated core subjects, new world language courses, additional electives, and Advanced Placement® (AP®) courses, developed in full alignment with Common Core State Standards, as well as other state and national standards. The catalog now also features more than a dozen new AP exam reviews, provided as companions to the full AP courses.

New courses and content for the 2013-2014 school year include:

AP Exam Reviews – K12 recently introduced subject-specific, self-study online reviews that enable students to target the exact content and question types they need to review and practice to prepare for the AP Exam. The reviews provide complete, timed practice simulations of exam sections and reflect the latest College Board guidelines in both content emphasis and question types. Students can take simulated AP Exams – the way they will be given by the College Board – to practice the various test questions by topic, or review a condensed, outlined version of the course content directly. To learn more about K12’s AP Exam reviews, please visit http://www.k12.com/educators/targeted-solutions/ap-honors.

World Languages – Today, schools and districts have access to a full suite of online courses in five world languages through Middlebury Interactive Languages™, which combines Middlebury College’s proven language pedagogy with K12’s expertise in online learning. For the new school year, Middlebury is introducing a new level of courses designed to introduce younger students in grades K-2 to world languages, starting with Spanish I. In addition, three new courses are available for high school students: French II, Spanish II, and Chinese II.

Electives – For college and career readiness, K12 now has more than 120 electives for middle and high school students. Four new high school electives – Introduction to Culinary Arts, Sports and Entertainment Marketing, Fashion and Interior Design, and History of the Holocaust – are designed to engage and motivate today’s teenagers in high-interest subject areas.

Other New and Updated Courses and Titles – K12 has also added new AP, core, and credit recovery courses, as well as updated versions of several existing courses and titles across its catalog. For example, Chemistry is now available with the Aventa Learning® by K12 credit recovery curriculum, which features 19 courses designed specifically for credit recovery that include state-certified teacher support.

Ashley Benning, a California-certified teacher and K12’s lead for English AP course content, is excited about the new AP Exam Reviews. She commented, “As an AP teacher, I am thrilled that K12 is offering the new AP Exam Reviews. Students will benefit not only from our rigorous AP courses led by qualified AP teachers, but from the additional resources provided in these Exam Reviews, such as practice questions, timed writing simulations, and outlines of course content. Our AP students are poised for success with the addition of these new self-study courses.”

“K12’s catalog for school districts provides opportunities for student exploration into course selections,” said Kathy Richardson, an advanced Mathematics teacher certified in South Carolina and course content lead for K12. “By perusing the topics and considering the options, students can then make informed decisions about the path they choose. Many times, students and even parents do not know what options are available for the students. This catalog fills that void.”

K12 provides curricula, technology, and services to school districts for many types of online learning models, including full-time schooling, blended learning, and in-class environments. K12 also serves districts with specialized online learning programs ranging from homebound education and alternative learning, to world language academies, to STEM-focused schools, and other programs designed to meet the individual needs of students.
Last year, K12 introduced the PEAK12 Library, which enables educators to personalize courses to their exact requirements, whether for a single student, the entire district, or any size group in between. For example, a teacher can use the PEAK12 Library to modify existing courses or build a completely new course by integrating any of the 5,500 lessons and assessments from the A+nyWhere Learning System® by K12, whether to remediate or enrich student learning.

“Our expanded standards-based curricula are designed to address the needs of all types of learners through a range of online learning programs,” said Gregg Levin, Senior Vice President of K12’s Institutional Business, which serves school districts. “With a comprehensive catalog, helpful tools such as AP Exam reviews, and a platform that enables course personalization, educators are empowered to focus on delivering effective, targeted instruction that addresses student needs district-wide.”

K12 provides schools and districts the industry’s most complete continuum of proprietary pre-kindergarten through high school online learning solutions for full-time virtual, blended, and traditional classroom learning environments. By integrating curriculum, technology, and services, K12 empowers its school and district partners to provide individualized learning and maximize student and district outcomes. Over the past decade, the company has served more than 2,000 districts and delivered over four million online course enrollments from its award-winning portfolio. For more information on K12’s online solutions for schools and districts, visit k12.com/educators.

About K12 Inc.
K12 Inc. (NYSE: LRN) is leading the transformation to individualized learning as the nation’s foremost provider of technology-powered proprietary online solutions for students in pre-kindergarten through high school. K12 has worked with over 2,000 school districts and has delivered more than four million courses over the past decade. K12 provides curricula, academic services, and learning solutions to public schools and districts, traditional classrooms, blended school programs, and families. K12’s curriculum is rooted in decades of research combined with 21st-century technology by cognitive scientists, interactive designers and teachers. K12’s portfolio of more than 500 unique courses and titles—the most extensive in the technology-based education industry—covers every core subject and four academic levels for high school including Honors and AP. K12 offers credit recovery courses, career-building electives, remediation support, six world languages, and a deep STEM offering. The K12 Program is offered through K12 partner public schools in more than two-thirds of the states and the District of Columbia, and through private schools serving students in all 50 states and 85 countries. More information can be found at k12.com.

1 When counted using methodologies commonly seen within the industry, the K12 catalog for schools and districts has over 850 courses and titles.

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