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Bellevue School District Provides Consistent Quality of Education District-wide through *Pinnacle Instruction* from GlobalScholar

Platform allows educators, administrators and parents to easily access district curriculum

GREELEY, Colo. (Dec. 17, 2009) – Using *Pinnacle Instruction* from GlobalScholar, Bellevue School District is able to offer the same high-quality education to every school in the district by providing educators, administrators and parents with access to district curriculum. Serving a student body of more than 17,300 students, the online platform allows the district’s curriculum development team to easily manage thousands of units and lesson plans across all grade levels and subject areas.

“We have a foundational belief that all students deserve a quality education,” said Kathee Terry, director of curriculum for Bellevue School District. “To this end, our curriculum team needs a flexible management system for the curriculum we have been developing and refining during the last 13 years. *Pinnacle Instruction* allows us to standardize the curriculum, ensuring educators district-wide have access to the same units and lessons, and students have similar learning experiences regardless of which school they attend.”

Pinnacle Instruction supports Bellevue School District as they develop, deliver, assess, remediate, and manage instruction. As a central hub of information for all curriculum resources, *Pinnacle Instruction* also offers a standards-aligned content repository, making it easier for curriculum development teams and educators to organize and manage all aspects of instruction. For example, elementary educators in Bellevue School District are using the assessment wizard and objectives manager for math instruction. This allows them to generate assessments and scan answers into the computer, automatically populating the gradebook, which saves data entry time.

“Defining and maintaining the depth and breadth of district curriculum we have is an ongoing process that requires the combination of robust technology and a dedicated team of educators and administrators,” said Nancy Larson, manager of facilities, information technology and maintenance for Bellevue School District. “With *Pinnacle Instruction*, and through working with GlobalScholar, we have the technology needed to deliver the consistent, high-quality curriculum we have created throughout the district.”

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Bellevue School District also uses *Pinnacle Grade*, *Pinnacle Insight* and *Pinnacle Internet Viewer*. Each are seamlessly connected to *Pinnacle Instruction*, which means that educators, administrators and parents only need to access one solution, instead of a variety of platforms or tools, to find the information they need to make educational decisions.

“Under the direction of superintendent Dr. Amalia Cudeiro, Bellevue School District provides a phenomenal example of how district staff members can work together to offer every student the same quality education by ensuring the right curriculum is available to all stakeholders,” said Kal Raman, CEO of GlobalScholar. “They are truly preparing their students for higher education by working to close the achievement gap and to extend learning for students that have attained mastery. As a partner of BSD, we support these efforts by helping to increase teacher effectiveness through the use of one comprehensive data management and curriculum solution.”

Pinnacle Instruction is a component of the *Pinnacle Suite*, an end-to-end online solution that provides districts a low total cost-of-ownership by combining real-time data with powerful technology. Eliminating the need to maintain a data management framework built from various products, the Pinnacle Suite offers a standards-based gradebook; student information system; performance-based scheduler; integrated curriculum and assessments; data analytics; tutoring; supplemental education services; and professional development programming, all in one platform. For more information about the *Pinnacle Suite*, visit www.pinnaclesuite.com.

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