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Pinnacle Plus Gradebook Single-User Version Available

GREELEY, COLO. (November 16, 2005) – Excelsior’s Pinnacle Plus system, which incorporates the ability to generate standards-based grading and skill tracking, is available to a single-user for the first time.

Encompassing the latest research from Dr. Robert J. Marzano on grading and reporting, the \$80 gradebook features a “wizard” that allows teachers to import standards from their state department of education or their district.

The free *Pinnacle* gradebook, which does not offer these new reporting capabilities, will continue to be available at www.excelsiorsoftware.com.

About Excelsior Software

Excelsior Software is committed to raising student achievement by providing immediate access to performance information, increasing teacher productivity, and improving communication. As the pioneer of the electronic gradebook concept in 1986, Excelsior’s experience in assessment management supports educators by delivering the technical innovations that meet the needs of today’s evolving data-driven educational system. The company’s Pinnacle Plus software solution automatically tracks and reports student progress and attendance data to educators and parents at the individual, group, class, school, and district levels. Currently, Excelsior works with educators in nearly 1,000 districts nationwide. Its Pinnacle Plus solution is certified under the SIF Certification Program and is the sole student assessment software product recommended by the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD). Excelsior remains privately owned by its original founders, with company headquarters in Greeley, Colo. For more information, visit www.excelsiorsoftware.com or phone 1-800-472-4572.

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