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Providence Public School District Chooses Skyward as its SIS Vendor

Skyward will serve the largest school district in Rhode Island

STEVENS POINT, Wis. – Dec. 5, 2013 – Providence Public School District, the largest in Rhode Island, selected Skyward, Inc., an industry leading K-12 school administrative software provider, as its student information system (SIS) vendor. The 47-school district looks forward to receiving time and cost savings with the Skyward Student Management Suite, as well as the ability to transfer student records easily between districts.

After evaluating the three SIS vendors approved by the Rhode Island Department of Education, Providence selected Skyward because it enables students to transfer to Providence from other districts without the need to re-key important data such as demographics, test scores, grade history or immunization records.

"Providence serves more than 24,000 students, with students transferring between districts on a regular basis," said Kevin McFerrin, executive vice president of business development at Skyward. "The district-to-district transfer feature was a crucial component of the student management suite in order to meet the needs of the school district. Skyward provides the responsive, one-stop system needed to ensure data accuracy across districts, and to serve the schools' own needs on a daily basis."

Providence Public School District is consulting with Skyward to transition to the new system, and is aiming to have installation and implementation complete for the 2014-2015 school year.

"After carefully reviewing several options to meet our increasingly complex information needs, we are confident that the Skyward Student Information System will aid us in making informed, real-time, data-driven decisions in our operations and planning," said Providence Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Susan F. Lusi. "We are eagerly beginning our implementation, and looking forward to a lasting, productive relationship with Skyward."

In addition to Providence, the North Providence, Pawtucket and Central Falls school districts also have selected the Skyward SIS. Skyward will serve 32 schools and almost 16,000 students among these three districts.

About Skyward

Skyward is a leading provider of K-12 school administrative software that surpasses districts' needs in state reporting, improves operational capabilities, and opens communication between schools and families. Today, the Skyward School Management SystemTM is used in more than 1,600 school districts worldwide, ranging from districts with as few as 50 students to statewide implementations supporting more than 800,000 students. Founded in 1980, Skyward serves school districts with its integrated student, finance, and human resources suite

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