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PEARSON LAUNCHES POWERSCHOOL® VERSION 6.1

- Releases enhanced integration with Pearson Inform and more -

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA - December 21, 2009 - Pearson today announced the launch of PowerSchool version 6.1, which features seamless integration with Pearson's popular assessment reporting solution, Pearson Inform.

"With PowerSchool 6.1, Pearson is delivering on the challenge on integrating best-in-class technologies to deliver a unified and seamless end-user experience," said Paul Fletcher, president of the School Systems group of Pearson. "With PowerSchool's appeal to administrators, teachers, parents and students, we are now able to present Pearson Inform's valuable assessment analysis directly to these stakeholders. Districts and schools using Pearson Inform and PowerSchool will be able to access Pearson Inform's Response to Intervention (RTI) reports and other assessment data through PowerSchool. Parents and students will be able to access reporting and analysis from within the PowerSchool student and parent web portals, enhancing their ability to track progress throughout the term."

PowerSchool 6.1

In addition to the seamless integration with Pearson Inform, PowerSchool 6.1 includes numerous improvements to the user interface, designed to streamline data process management and ensure data accuracy for critical student information.

Included with PowerSchool version 6.1:

- **Pearson Inform Integration** - Pearson Inform customers will now be able to access embedded reports throughout PowerSchool's administrator, teacher, parent and student web portals
- **ReportWorks 1.1** - Numerous improvements to the new web-based WYSIWYG reporting tool built from the ground up to support the unique needs of educators
- **Improved Health Screenings** - Enabling health administrators to log and track important screenings more quickly and securely

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- **Improved Immunizations Tracking** - Supports "mouse-less," fast keyboard entry to quickly enter large amounts of data, which is checked for compliance in real-time
- **Automated School Calendar Setup** - Enables PowerSchool administrators to quickly define and update their school calendar with a single, automated process

PowerSchool is the fastest-growing, most widely used, web-based student information system. PowerSchool enables today's educators to make timely decisions that impact student performance while creating a collaborative environment for parents, teachers, and students to work together in preparing 21st century learners for the future. PowerSchool has been implemented in 49 states and more than 50 countries and serves more than 3,200 customers and nearly 8 million students.

For more information about PowerSchool Premier or Pearson Inform, please visit www.PearsonSchoolSystems.com.

About Pearson:

Pearson (NYSE: PSO), the global leader in education and education technology, reaches and engages today's digital natives with effective and personalized learning, as well as dedicated professional development for their teachers. This commitment is demonstrated in the company's investment in innovative print and digital education materials for preK through college, student information systems and learning management systems, teacher professional development, career certification programs, and testing and assessment products that set the standard for the industry. The company's respected brands include Scott Foresman, Prentice Hall, Addison Wesley, Benjamin Cummings, PEMSolutions, Stanford 10, SuccessNet, MyLabs, PowerSchool, SuccessMaker, and many others. Pearson's comprehensive offerings help inform targeted instruction and intervention so that success is within reach of every student at every level of education. Pearson's commitment to education for all is supported by the global philanthropic initiatives of the Pearson Foundation. Pearson's other primary businesses include the Financial Times Group and the Penguin Group.

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