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Renaissance Learning and Datawise Integrate 21st Century Classroom Products

June 21, 2010, Wisconsin Rapids, WI – Renaissance Learning™ and Datawise™ Inc. formally announced a joint agreement that will enable educators to utilize the Renaissance Responder™ and NEO 2™ with the Datawise MEASURES Assessment Management System.

This integration allows a class of students to use products from Renaissance Learning’s hardware line, the 2Know!™ classroom response system and the NEO 2 student laptops, to interact with Datawise MEASURES.

NEO 2 offers valuable writing and keyboarding practice throughout the curriculum. In addition, the NEO 2 allows students to take Accelerated Reader™ quizzes, enhance computational fluency with the MathFacts in a Flash™ software, interactively participate in lessons through the built-in classroom response system, and print documents wirelessly. Students can also upload documents to MY Access!™, a web-delivered instructional program that diagnoses and assesses the writing ability of students, and to Google Docs™, Google’s document, spreadsheet, and presentation application.

As part of the interactive 2Know! classroom response system, the handheld Renaissance Responders use two-way radio frequency technology to help teachers know instantly if students understand key concepts. The system’s user-friendly toolbar saves teachers time and eliminates paper work by allowing them to set up questions in seconds, and the included test generator tabulates results automatically into the built-in gradebook.

MEASURES is a complete assessment and data management system providing real-time data via an easy-to-use Dashboard. Datawise is able to tailor the system to work with a variety of student information systems. Assessments can be created using content from the included item bank of 34,000 items, user created items and benchmarks, and ExamView™ item banks. The assessment data is collected through a variety of methods, including online testing, plain paper scanning, data entry, and now the Renaissance Responder and NEO 2.

“The integration of the Renaissance Responders and NEO 2s with MEASURES is a terrific combination that provides educators with greater flexibility and enhanced data collection and reporting,” said Jack McLaughlin, Renaissance Learning Vice President and General Manager of the hardware product line. “Teachers using the tools together will enhance their ability to make timely data-driven decisions, and in turn, accelerate learning.”

“We are very excited to have Renaissance Learning’s Renaissance Responders and NEO 2s integrated with MEASURES,” said DeAnna Gallagher, Datawise CEO. “This addition will provide an interactive, classroom-based data capture mechanism that will empower educators with real-time progress monitoring at the classroom level, to longitudinal tracking at the district level.”

The update for Datawise MEASURES will be in the fall of 2010. Both companies will be demonstrating their respective products at the upcoming ISTE conference in Denver, Colorado in late June 2010.

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About Renaissance Learning, Inc.

Renaissance Learning, Inc. is the world's leading provider of computer-based assessment technology for pre-K–12 schools. Adopted by more than 72,000 schools, Renaissance Learning's tools provide daily formative assessment and periodic progress-monitoring technology to enhance core curriculum, support differentiated instruction, and personalize practice in reading, writing and math. Renaissance Learning products help educators make the practice component of their existing curriculum more effective by providing tools to personalize practice and easily manage the daily activities for students of all levels. As a result, teachers using Renaissance Learning products accelerate learning, get more satisfaction from teaching, and help students achieve higher test scores on state and national tests. Renaissance Learning has seven U.S. locations and subsidiaries in Canada and the United Kingdom. For more information, visit www.renlearn.com.

About Datawise, Inc.

A superior, industry-proven product and service, Datawise MEASURES is the most complete assessment and data management system available today. Designed to aid educators in using data to inform and modify instructional strategies, it provides real-time integration to your SIS, enterprise-level reporting over the standards, an easy-to-use dashboard, one-click longitudinal reports, supports testing with Renaissance Learning's Renaissance Responder and NEO 2, and many other time-saving tools to help raise student achievement. www.datawise-ed.com