Century Consultants Star_Base SIS Express

Century Consultants Star_Base SIS Express is a comprehensive, SIF-certified Web-based solution that offers schools a centralized application that can help streamline the district's core processes and improve its ability to manage instruction. SIS Express gives districts the ability to define how their business rules are managed within the system. Districts have the capability to customize the application to meet their individual requirements without the need for custom programming.

In addition to core capabilities provided by SIS solutions, some highlights of this solution are:

■ Comprehensive Reporting Capabilities: SIS Express provides flexibility to generate standard reports from predefined queries or interactive reports from custom queries.

■ Field-Level Security: Security can be defined at the field level to restrict access to sensitive information.

■ Personalized Dashboards: SIS Express uses a dashboard approach that gives users the flexibility to subscribe to information the way they want to see it, all within parameters set by centralized profiles and style sheets.

■ Quick and Easy Web Access: Secure, role-based access is provided via any Java-enabled Web browser; a unique ID and password is all that users will need to access the application.

■ Oracle Business Intelligence Tools: Oracle Business Intelligence Tools provide SIS Express advanced business intelligence and data analysis capabilities.

Over the next five years, Century Consultants will continue to address changing industry requirements, incorporate user-requested functional requirements, and develop more partnerships with third-party application providers. Furthermore, Century Consultants will evolve tighter integration points with financial systems, special education systems and learning management systems.

Century Consultants is a privately held corporation with $4.5 million in revenue (2010) and operations in 12 states across North America. Century Consultants, an ASM Research company, provides SIS Express to a number of K-12 education customers, with a majority of customers in the under-10,000 student category located in urban and rural districts.

Edupoint Synergy

Edupoint Synergy is an SIF-compliant, SIF-certified Web-based solution that delivers SIS features and compliance reporting capabilities through a flexible, customizable architecture that streamlines workflow, supports data-driven decision making, and facilitates collaborative communications. Synergy tracks and manages all essential district and student data while streamlining all of your essential K-12 student information management processes.

In addition to core capabilities provided by SIS solutions, some highlights of this solution are:

■ Student and School Data: Synergy centralizes and integrates data functions such as attendance, report cards, scheduling, grade reporting, activities and fees, and more.

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■ District Data: Synergy provides hundreds of standard report templates, while flexible reporting capabilities provide users with the ability to create custom reports that suit their needs.

■ Instructional Data: The LessonVUE instructional management solution helps school districts organize curriculum, measure the effectiveness of what is being taught, and ultimately inform teaching strategies to ensure students are achieving.

■ State Reporting: Edupoint's team of state reporting experts works closely with state departments of education to remain in front of changing reporting requirements.

■ SmartForms and Dashboard Views: Customizable dashboards provide graphical insight into student data, while SmartForms empower the end user to search any field in any screen.

■ Mobile Applications: Edupoint mobile applications in the Synergy solution provide key stakeholders access to information on the go.

Over the next five years, Edupoint will focus on building additional capabilities in data-driven decision making, streamlined instructional management through gradebook and curriculum integration, analytical tools to drive instructional decisions, and event-driven workflow. Edupoint will also continue to expand Smartphone/device support for its applications.

Edupoint is a privately held company focused exclusively on K-12 student data management, with operations in North America. In 2010, Edupoint served almost 200 districts in 10 states and supported 2 million students, with K-12 clients ranging in size from small districts to some of the largest districts in the country. Edupoint has experienced significant year-over-year growth between 2008 and the present, including a 70% growth year-to-year from 2009 to 2010.

Follett Aspen

Follett Aspen is an SIF-compliant, Web-based solution providing highly configurable and adaptable features for the district office, school users, classroom, service providers and the home. Aspen provides an intuitive, customizable interface that supports ad hoc reporting and data analysis from any screen in the system. With a design that places the vast majority of screens only one to two mouse clicks away from any other, users find data they need quickly and easily. With unlimited custom fields, screens, workflows, reports and now built-in charting, Aspen most benefits districts needing a solution that adapts to local policies and procedures, rather than the other way around.

In addition to core capabilities provided by SIS solutions, some highlights of this solution are:

■ System Administration: Aspen supports customization of virtually every screen in the system, with user-defined fields that have no limitations and are treated the same as built-in fields. Aspen even supports customizable help down to the field level.

■ Master Schedule Builder: Aspen's scalable scheduling engine provides users with the power and flexibility to build master schedules using easy-to-understand rules that capture all the teacher, room, course and student grouping constraints, and produce an optimized master schedule in minutes with the lowest possible number of conflicts.

■ Learning Management System/Gradebook: In addition to standard gradebook features, teachers and students have access to a complete learning platform with curriculum maps, instructional content, a lesson plan builder, online tests/quizzes, and even

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summative and formative assessment analysis across multiple subjects and multiple years.

■ **Parent and Student Portals With Pages:** Aspen's Parent and Student Portal enables interaction with learning resources on class Web pages, communication and collaboration with teachers and other students, and provides the ability to complete assignments online. This is all in addition to the traditional portal tools providing access to attendance, grades, conduct, calendars, notifications and online course requests.

Aspen is an advanced platform for data management, reporting and data analysis.

Aspen is also a comprehensive learning platform that spans Special Education, Customizable Student and Teacher Plans (PLPs, TIPs, etc.), and Curriculum and LMS features.

All these capabilities are built into a single Web application, with a centralized database to eliminate the problems associated with multiple systems from multiple vendors. This saves districts time and money, while enabling improved access to data and better decision making across the entire spectrum of education stakeholders.

Follett Software Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Follett Corporation — a $2.5 billion, privately held company that provides products, services and solutions to the educational marketplace — with operations in North America. Follett Software Company provides Aspen to a number of K-12 education customers, with customers ranging from less than 5,000 students to more than 300,000 students.

GlobalScholar Pinnacle SIS

GlobalScholar Pinnacle SIS is a Web-based solution that appeals to districts wishing to begin a transformation into a new paradigm of performance-based scheduling, standards-based teaching and learning, hybrid standards-based transcripts, and modern learning and grading methods. Combined with Pinnacle Grade, Pinnacle SIS provides a standards-based grade book/learning management system that supports instruction rather than just managing physical locations and traditional report cards.

In addition to core capabilities provided by SIS solutions, some highlights of this solution are:

■ **Student-centered approach:** Teachers can use standards-aligned data to drive instruction resulting in higher achievement for students and schools.

■ **Schedules:** Pinnacle SIS supports traditional and nontraditional schedules for students, teachers and staff, along with centralized enrollment and detail.

■ **Custom grade levels:** Pinnacle Grade provides standards-based grading, as well as the ability to create custom grade levels based on standards mastery.

■ **Common Core standards:** Pinnacle Grade has already adopted the Common Core standards in response to changing industry requirements.

GlobalScholar recognizes the role that SIS systems play in putting the right students into the hands of the right teachers at the right time so as to guarantee a viable curriculum and equally progressive learning opportunity for every student. GlobalScholar will continue to build capabilities into Pinnacle SIS that enhance data flow from the SIS to the classroom.

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GlobalScholar is a privately held corporation with $27.6 million in revenue (2010) and operations across North America and India. The majority of GlobalScholar customers are districts with less than 25,000 students.

Harris SchoolMAX Enterprise (SME)

Harris' SchoolMAX Enterprise is a Web-based SIS solution that is easily navigable and has an understandable user interface that attracts users. Among the desirable features of the SchoolMAX solution is an integrated reporting tool and Web portals for all user groups.

In addition to core capabilities provided by SIS solutions, some highlights of this solution are:

- Pentaho EZSchoolView: SchoolMAX provides users with the flexibility to build real-time custom reports and display relevant data via custom portals for their user base.

- Web Portals: Available for all user groups including administrators, teachers, parents and students.

- Dashboard Views: Dashboard capabilities to tailor your configuration of content and functionality.

As technology advances and continues to change over the next five years, Harris believes there will be more and more real time and collaborative access to SIS data in school districts. It believes the tools available will continue to evolve to offer school districts more flexibility in how they share data from their SIS with their user community (administrators, teachers, parents and students). We are already seeing this with the growing demand for scalability and integration and plan to support this demand by empowering our users with the flexibility to extend their SIS as necessary.

Harris is a privately held software company founded in 1976 and headquartered in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. Harris has more than 6,000 K-12 clients with the majority of districts with less than 25,000 students.

Infinite Campus

Infinite Campus is an SIF-certified web-based student information system solution that provides districts with the integrated tools needed to streamline student administration, enable stakeholder collaboration and individualize instruction. The district system is a transactional data warehouse allowing student data to be entered once and used across the entire district supporting data-driven decision making.

In addition to core capabilities provided by SIS solutions, some features of this solution are:

- Administration: Infinite Campus provides the tools needed to effectively manage students, and automate and manage K-12 education processes, including taking attendance, managing behavior, and providing free/reduced application management.

- Curriculum: Infinite Campus provides a variety of curriculum planning and management tools for managing standards, administering courses and effective scheduling, including course catalogs, online registration and electronic transcripts.

- Instructional Management: Teachers have integrated sets of tools for managing their classroom, including online assessments, a test item bank, and a digital repository to support assignments.

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- School Services: Infinite Campus provides tools to manage daily operations and streamline school service functionality, including fee management, food service and online payments.

- Communications: Infinite Campus believes that strong communication with stakeholders is important to the success of each student, so the system delivers email messenger, parent/student portals and mobile portal apps for iOS and Android, to name a few.

- Reporting: Infinite Campus allows you to use your data to populate more than 150 included standard reports, build custom ad hoc reports, use an included Microsoft SQL Reporting Services license to create custom reports, and submit state reports to meet the various reporting needs across the district.

- Analysis: Infinite Campus provides districts with built-in data analysis functionality and a set of tools to export data into a data warehouse to analyze information and make real-time decisions.

Over the next five years, Infinite Campus has two projects under way for Learner Management Systems, which we call Instructional Management and G3.

The new Instructional Management enhancements are released to the entire customer base. These features are included in the annual renewable license fee. Planned releases include functionality for assignment submissions (released April 2012), standards bank improvements (released January 2012), digital repository, test item bank and online assessments.

A second, longer-term project is under way called G3. This project supports individualized education to suggest learning activities based on a student's learning profile. This project includes scheduling for individualized education, learner plans, lesson plans, learning marketplace and a national data warehouse.

Finance/human resources/payroll functionality will be released in Fall 2012, giving Campus customers an affordable solution built specifically to meet the needs of K-12 school districts with integration with the SIS. Integration delivers real-time demographic, assignment and credentialing information, and eliminates data re-entry. Manage HR processes including budgeting, resource tracking, payroll and reporting including state compliance. Manage finance processes from budgeting, requisition to payment, and complete reporting, including state compliance.

As the largest American-owned student information system, with a 99% national customer retention rate, Infinite Campus applications manage more than 5 million students in 43 states. Infinite Campus customers include school districts, regional consortia, state departments of education and the federal government.

Infinite Campus is a privately held corporation with $41 million in revenue (2010) and operations across North America. A large majority of Infinite Campus customers fall in the under-10,000-student category.

Pearson Chancery SMS

Pearson's Chancery SMS is an SIF-certified Web-based student information system. Utilizing the power of the .NET framework, Pearson works with each Chancery SMS customer to seamlessly integrate the system with other applications to meet unique customer needs. The open architecture of the Chancery SMS database provides customers with full access to the

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database, allowing them to tailor it to their needs without the typical constraints associated with an embedded database.

The Chancery SMS solution includes the Chancery SMS student information system, the PowerTeacher Gradebook, the ParentCONNECTxp School-To-Home Portal and the Advanced Reporting Toolkit ETL tool.

In addition to core capabilities provided by SIS solutions, some highlights of this solution are:

- A grading system that provides an unlimited number of grade items and flexible calculation options, which may be aligned to standards

- A customization toolset that provides a simple method for robust extension of system functionality

- A highly configurable portal that allows parents and students to keep up-to-date on student information

- A powerful gradebook that simplifies and streamlines daily teacher tasks

Over the next five years, Pearson will continue to develop its products to respond to changing requirements and customer needs. Current focus areas include ensuring accuracy and timeliness of data for core administrative processes; leveraging the power of collaboration; aligning learning outcomes with academic standards, and improving the quality and efficacy of instructional content.

Pearson plc is a public corporation with $8.9 billion in revenue (2010) and operations around the world including the United States and Canada. Chancery SMS is offered through the K-12 Technology group, a division of Pearson, which provides Chancery SMS to a number of K-12 education customers. The majority of Chancery SMS customers are considered "large, urban" school districts in the over-25,000-student category.

Pearson PowerSchool

Pearson's PowerSchool is a SIF-certified, Web-based student information system that combines comprehensive functionality with ease of use. PowerSchool utilizes a single-database, centralized server configuration, which eliminates batch updates and manual aggregations. PowerSchool can be extended with other systems, including Pearson's Schoolnet, to expand the capabilities of schools, districts and states to meet the requirements of personalized learning environments.

In addition to core capabilities provided by SIS solutions, some highlights of PowerSchool are:

- An automated master schedule builder that can produce traditional and nontraditional schedules

- Secure parent portal with on-demand access to student data

- A powerful grade book that simplifies and streamlines daily teacher tasks

- Easily customizable interface to meet specific user needs

- Robust report generation to comply with local and state data requirements

- A community-based website that provides documentation, software updates, and collaboration tools for administrators and teachers

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- Mobile support on iPhone, iPad and Android devices

- Optional tools and interfaces to connect with third-party applications

- Student record and transcript exchanges in the United States and Canada, powered by the National Transcript Center

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Pearson plc is a public corporation with $8.9 billion in revenue (2010) and operations around the world including the United States and Canada. PowerSchool is provided by the K-12 Technology group, a division of Pearson supporting more than 10 million students. PowerSchool is used by over 4,000 customers serving districts with up to 100,000 students.

Skyward Student Management Suite

Skyward Student Management Suite is an SIF-compliant Web-based application that provides administrators, teachers and parents with the ability to view student progress anytime during the school year with access to historical data for ongoing analysis. The Student Management Suite supports flexible reporting and data mining capabilities, as well as administrative tools to manage student information by individual, school and district.

In addition to core capabilities provided by SIS solutions, some highlights of this solution are:

- All student information is quickly accessible through the Web, including demographics, scheduling, grading, discipline, attendance and test scores.

- A robust scheduling system is designed for both elementary and secondary scheduling.

- Customized report cards, letters and forms can be printed for each family/guardian.

- User-defined reports can be created from the data mining reporter.

- State reporting is built-in and continually updated.

Over the next five years, Skyward is committed to monitoring the industry and the needs of customers to drive the functionality of the Student Management Suite. Skyward will enhance support and acceptance of PDAs and iPads for student test-taking, review user interface aspects of its software solution to ensure leadership in the K-12 environment, and continually integrate state reporting requirements.

Skyward is a private company with $50.5 million in revenue (2010) and operations across North America. Skyward provides the Student Management Suite to more than 1,400 K-12 education customers globally.

SunGard K-12 Education eSchoolPLUS

eSchoolPLUS is a true Web-based, district-wide student management system for K-12 schools. It is a single system that offers all educational stakeholders — school administrators, district staff, teachers, parents and board members — the ability to easily manage or immediately access the summary and detail student information they need, when they need it. Most

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importantly, eSchoolPLUS is easily configurable to meet each district's specific needs, yet intuitive to use and simple to deploy, making it a very cost-effective student information system for K-12 schools.

In addition to core capabilities provided by SIS solutions, some highlights of this solution are:

- 100% Web-based technology installed on-site or in the cloud

- Highly-flexible system configurations to meet specific district needs

- Easy-to-use intuitive interface

- Robust reporting and quick data access

- Proven solution with more than 570 district implementations and statewide implementations in Delaware and Arkansas

Over the next five years, SunGard K-12 Education will continue to expand cross-product functionality across the PLUS 360 suite of applications and continually incorporate features that further enhance the user experience through ease of use, process automation and data analysis. SunGard K-12 Education is also focused on providing more P-20 solutions in partnership with Ellucian (formerly SunGard Higher Education).

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