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TEACHERS AT SCHOOL DISTRICT 128 IN A NORTHERN CHICAGO SUBURB CREATE REAL WORLD LESSONS USING INTERNET BASED LANGUAGE PROGRAMMING FROM SCOLA AND AUTHORIZING TOOLS PROVIDED BY SANS INC. IN SONY SOLOIST® SOFTWARE

OMAHA, NEBRASKA --- Through a continued partnership between the SCOLA Foreign Language Network and SANS Inc. (Software and Network Solutions), foreign language educators are now using authentic, internet based multimedia content and easy-to-use authoring tools to create unique, relevant lessons for their 21st century language students.

Using authentic programming, available through SCOLA's Videostream Service, and the digital teaching tools in the Sony Soloist® Digital Comparative Recorder Software provided by SANS Inc., the foreign language teachers at Libertyville High School and Vernon Hills High School in Illinois are now providing their language students with multimedia lessons that include timely political, cultural and entertainment news. These lessons engage students with a medium that they are so attuned to.

"The authentic video provided by SCOLA enables us to give our students an opportunity to listen to, view and speak about situations in the target language that are real life; with the authoring tools in the Sony Soloist® Software our teachers can organize this content and create lesson materials that work within the framework of our curriculum" says Thelma Krupp, Supervisor of International Languages at Libertyville High School. "These supplemental lessons help to create a stimulating environment where our students want to learn the language because they are experiencing the vibrancy of the language and culture as it is happening today".

As a content provider, SCOLA welcomes and appreciates the expertise of innovative companies like SANS, in developing products that make our programming content readily usable by teachers and students. Professional educators prefer SCOLA programming for its authenticity, but they have been asking for classroom ready packaging", states Francis Lajba, President and CEO of SCOLA, "The Sony software suite provides tools for teachers to create lessons and to develop a library of coursework with SCOLA audio and video content."

According to Ron Remschel, President of SANS Inc., "SANS' product development focuses on providing features that enrich teaching and learning any language. The ability for teachers to create pedagogically sound lessons using the Sony Soloist Software tools with the content that SCOLA provides aligns with our strategy of developing software that educators can use very practically."

SCOLA programming is available to K-12 schools, colleges and universities for educational use. Schools Affiliated with SCOLA and subscribe to SCOLA Videostream Service enjoy limited licensing rights to SCOLA audio and video, including viewing, downloading, archiving, replaying, and embedding in coursework and courseware.

SCOLA is a non-profit broadcasting company, which offers authentic language programming from more than 80 countries. SCOLA programming is carried on the private cable systems, colleges, universities, and to K-12 schools through 60 participating service areas of the Adelphia, Cox, Comcast, Time-Warner, and other commercial cable systems in North America. SCOLA programming is available via Internet videostream, satellite; and through local cable operators.

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