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North Carolina Recommends Accelerate Learning's
STEMscopes K-12 Science Curriculum for State Science Adoption

Houston, TX – May 12, 2015 – Accelerate Learning today announced that STEMscopes-North Carolina, its comprehensive, digital K-12 science solution built specifically to meet the North Carolina science standards, has been recommended by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction for use in science classrooms across the state. Additionally noteworthy is the fact that STEMscopes-North Carolina is the only curriculum that was selected for all grade levels, K-12.

Developed by Accelerate Learning and Rice University, STEMscopes™ North Carolina was built from the ground up based upon North Carolina’s Essential Standards and Clarifying Objectives outlined in the Department of Public Instruction’s Standard Course of Study. Accelerate Learning’s custom state, versions have gained popularity among school districts throughout the United States and are currently used by nearly two million students across the country.

“Initially STEMscopes was used primarily by Texas elementary school teachers. In just a few short years it has become a comprehensive pre-K-12 science curriculum utilized by nearly 100,000 teachers nationwide. We attribute this success to our close collaboration with teachers to build and continually improve a digital science curriculum tool that meets their daily instructional and assessment needs,” said Dr. Vernon Johnson, President and CEO of Accelerate Learning. “Clearly, the North Carolina evaluators agree. All 42 of the courses we submitted for K-8 science, and high school biology, physics and chemistry, were recommended for the North Carolina adoption. We are honored that our solutions were selected to help educate North Carolina students develop a deeper understanding of the STEM subjects.”

Designed to work in any classroom – traditional, blended and 1:1 – STEMscopes provides teacher and student digital resources, supplemental print materials, and hands-on exploration kits that build student engagement and excitement for learning. As with all of Accelerate Learning’s STEM solutions, inquiry-based investigation is at the core of STEMscopes. It fosters student understanding of science through meaningful hands-on inquiry-based investigations, so they develop deeper understandings of the world around them.
STEMscopes is built on an HTML5 platform, thus its digital resources are compatible with tablets, computers and smartphones.

**About Accelerate Learning, Inc.:** Accelerate Learning, in conjunction with Rice University, is focused on becoming the most effective digital PreK-12 STEM resource used by teachers, students, and parents.

With nearly 2 million student users and growing, Accelerate Learning has grown from a single product, STEMscopes in 2007, to a brand that now offers a variety of curriculum and professional development solutions that support early learning, NGSS, and customized state-aligned curriculum. Accelerate Learning has earned recognition as one of *District Administration*’s Top 100 Products, and as a finalist in the SIIA Innovation Incubator program. It has also won recognition from numerous industry programs, including the Digital Innovation and Learning Awards, the Association of American Publishers’ Revere Awards, and *EdTech Digest*’s Cool Tool Awards.

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