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## **The Consortium on Reading Excellence (CORE) to Offer Online Professional Learning Resources - in Partnership with Teachscape**

March 3, 2009 – (Berkeley, CA) – In an ongoing effort to build continuous professional development among school district administrators, coaches, and teachers, the Consortium on Reading Excellence (CORE) is pleased to announce a partnership with Teachscape, the leader in online professional learning. Together with intensive professional development, on-site support for reading and math, and Teachscape's online resources, CORE will be able to deliver a 24/7 professional development program for literacy and math educators that will provide curriculum support to maximize student achievement. Teachers will be able to study material at their convenience and review the information as many times as necessary to perfect skills on a topic or concept.

“Partnering with Teachscape's outstanding professional learning products, CORE will be positioned to enhance ongoing professional development in our schools and districts in a cost-effective manner,” states Linda Diamond, Chief Executive Officer for CORE. “Distance learning is a vital means for educators to continue receiving critical training during tough economic times when most districts are making cuts to teacher training funds,” she says. The foundation behind this new partnership is the common focus of both CORE and Teachscape on proven, research-based strategies for effective instruction.

Teachscape provides a wealth of web-based content for rich professional learning. Featuring video-based case studies, exemplar teaching, and instruction led by leading researchers, Teachscape's online professional resources focus on extending understanding of the practices that form the foundation of effective student achievement. The resources include literacy, math, coaching, and leadership titles – all designed to support research-based instruction and ongoing learning. “I am excited about the opportunities that this new partnership with CORE will bring. We can now help their clients deepen their understanding of academic content to improve both the processes and outcomes of teaching and learning,” says Scott Noon, Marketing Vice President, Marketing and Business Development for Teachscape.

### ***About CORE***

The Consortium on Reading Excellence (CORE) works collaboratively with schools, districts, state organizations, and education agencies around the country as a trusted advisor at all levels of K–12 education to support literacy and math achievement growth for all students. CORE's expertise in early reading, intervention, special education, assessment, writing, English-language learners, and Response to Intervention has led to impressive achievement gains in some of the nation's most vulnerable school systems. With over 1000 schools and 200 districts served, CORE has supported large urban, suburban, and rural schools. CORE's implementation support services and products help customers build their own capacity for effective instruction by laying a foundation of research-based knowledge, supporting the use of proven tools, and developing leadership. For more information about CORE, please contact Heather Frame at 888.249.6155. ext. 132 or visit [www.corelearn.com](http://www.corelearn.com).

### *About Teachscape*

Teachscape is a technology-enabled school effectiveness company that provides research-based, data-driven, job-embedded professional learning for educators throughout a school system. As a strong proponent of the National Staff Development Council's standards, Teachscape's mission is to integrate 21st century skills into every teacher's day. Teachscape has partnered with respected institutions including Stanford University, McREL, the Concord Consortium, the University of Texas, and others to shape its approach to professional learning. For more information, visit Teachscape at <http://www.teachscape.com>.

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