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### **Leading West Virginia Districts Find Innovative Ways to Train Staff** *SafeSchools' award-winning system to deliver essential staff training in Kanawha and Wood County Schools*

CINCINNATI, OH, June 23, 2011 – West Virginia administrators are making the most of their budget dollars by finding innovative solutions that streamline processes and increase efficiency in their districts. One cost-saving measure includes finding more cost-effective ways to conduct staff training, which has historically been done during in-service days, in a group setting. While effective in years past, this method takes teachers out of the classroom and can be quite expensive. As districts look to maximize budgets, Kanawha County Schools and Wood County Schools are leading the way by taking their staff training, policy acceptance, and compliance reporting online with SafeSchools.

SafeSchools is a cost-effective online staff training system that fully complements a district's existing safety and training plan. Using SafeSchools, a district has 24/7 access to a comprehensive library of more than 175 expert written, 100% school-focused online courses covering a wide variety of important school safety topics including bullying prevention; sexual harassment; transportation safety; hazard communication; bloodborne pathogens; slips, trips and falls; youth suicide prevention; child abuse; special education and many more.

Each SafeSchools course is written by one of the nation's leading authorities on school safety and compliance, including Michael Dorn, a graduate of the FBI National Academy and one of the most credentialed and experienced school safety experts in the nation, and Dr. Robert Shoop, a nationally recognized forensic expert in the area of school law, with a focus on sexual harassment, abuse prevention and risk management. SafeSchools' credentialed authors deliver courses that are immediately applicable in a K-12 environment, providing an immediate return on investment.

SafeSchools training is administered and completed through one convenient online system; each course completion is automatically tracked and a variety of real-time administrative reports are available on-demand.

The award-winning system is proven to save districts time and money. Horry County Schools in South Carolina saved over \$780,000 in workers' comp claims after implementing the system district-wide and other subscribers have enjoyed a 50% reduction in the severity of their P&L and WC claims, a significant savings to a district.

“Providing staff with excellent, vetted training content is vital to a district’s overall success. Kanawha and Wood County Schools should be applauded for making staff development and safety a priority,” says Brian Taylor, CEO of Scenario Learning, the publisher of SafeSchools.

**About SafeSchools**

SafeSchools is the leading web-based online staff training system specifically designed for school use. Recently recognized as one of the 2010 Top 100 Products in the education industry by District Administration magazine, SafeSchools courses are 100% school-focused, and written by the country’s foremost school safety experts. The program is currently used in over 2,500 school districts nationwide and was developed by Scenario Learning in Cincinnati, Ohio. For more information, please visit [www.safeschools.com](http://www.safeschools.com).

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