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SIIA Education Division Calls for Participants in 2011 Vision K-20 Survey

Survey to provide educators with evaluation of growth toward Vision for K-20

Washington, D.C. (May 5, 2011) – The Software & Information Industry Association (SIIA) announces the opening of its fourth annual *Vision K-20 Survey*. Sponsored by the organization's Education Division, the Vision K-20 Survey gives educators, administrators and faculty members from K-12 and postsecondary educational institutions the opportunity to take a short, online survey to evaluate their current technology use.

Focusing on goals outlined in the *Vision* roadmap, including 21st Century tools, accessibility, differentiated learning, assessment tools and enterprise support, institutions – schools, districts, two-year colleges and four-year universities – will be able to use the *Vision's* benchmarks to monitor their progress, and can complete the survey periodically as they work toward the *Vision for K-20* in education.

SIIA member organizations worked together to develop the *Vision K-20* initiative to serve as a guide for educational institutions to implement technology district- and campus-wide. This survey aims to collect additional data that will broadly assist educators in taking this important project to the next level of knowledge and success.

"We've developed a vision for K-20 education to ensure all students have access to a learning environment that prepares them to compete globally and lead the world in innovation," said Karen Billings, vice president of SIIA's Education Division. "As institutions complete the *Survey*, we hope it will set benchmarks for current and future progress in working toward the *Vision* to build a technology-savvy, educational atmosphere that helps to facilitate 21st century learning."

To learn more about this initiative, and to participate in the 2011 *Vision K-20 Survey*, visit www.siiia.net/visionK20. **The survey closes May 31, 2011.**

SIIA values the support of its partners and their commitment to improving students' preparedness for an innovative and global economy. Partners committed to supporting the *Vision K-20* initiative and survey include: 1105 Media, the Consortium for School Networking (CoSN), edWeb.net, eSchool Media, The League for Innovation, WeAreTeachers and WeTheTeachers.

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