

Classroom Connect Appoints Long-Time Educational Technology Advocate, Jenelle Leonard, to Its Board of Advisors

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Classroom Connect today announced it has appointed Jenelle Leonard to its Board of Advisors. Leonard, who has had a significant career in educational technology will, along with other Board of Advisory members, advise Classroom Connect on important product development issues related to instructional technology and educator professional development.

Leonard's career spans eleven years as a classroom teacher and nearly two decades in education technology positions at institutions including the District of Columbia Public Schools, The Texas Education Agency, and Prince William County Public Schools in Manassas, Virginia. She currently serves as project manager for the U.S. Department of Education's Technology Innovation Challenge Grant Program.

Leonard joins current Board of Advisor members, including: Peter Grunwald, president of Grunwald Associates; W. Gray Rushin, a high school chemistry teacher and Classroom Connect's Internet Educator of the Year 2002; Colleen Wilcox, Santa Clara California County's superintendent of schools; John Gage, chief researcher and director of the Science Office for Sun Microsystems; Elliot Soloway, University of Michigan professor and executive editor of Interactive Learning Environments; Dr. David Thornburg, senior fellow of the Congressional Institute for the Future and award-winning author; and John Vaille, Ed.D., director of DCP applications at the Digital California Project (DCP) for the Corporation for Education Network Initiatives in California (CENIC).

About Classroom Connect

Classroom Connect, Inc., a business unit within Harcourt Inc., is a leading provider of professional learning and classroom learning resources that foster successful use of the Internet in K-12 education. Headquartered in Brisbane, CA, with offices in El Segundo, CA, Minneapolis, MN, and Abilene, TX, Classroom Connect has more than 170 employees. Its primary product brands include: Connected University(TM) (online professional development); Classroom Today(TM) (online classroom curriculum); The Quest Channel(TM) (online adventure learning expeditions); Connected Conferences(TM) (live, nationwide events); Connected Workshops(TM) (on-site seminars); and Classroom Connect Newsletter(TM) (monthly Internet education journal). Its partners include some of the nation's most respected organizations, including the American Museum of Natural History, the Library of Congress, The Franklin Institute Online, and NASA. For more information about Classroom Connect, visit the company's Web site at www.classroom.com.

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