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SANS Inc. Awards 2008 SANSSpace™ Technology Grant To North Hills Senior High School

June 2008 – SANS Inc., Software and Network Solutions, the exclusive licensor of Sony language learning software solutions and developer of the SANSSpace Virtual Learning Environment has awarded North Hills Senior High School in Pittsburgh, PA the SANS 2008 SANSSpace™ Technology Grant.

The grant award consists of SANSSpace Virtual Learning Environment software licenses and SANS headsets to accommodate the needs of students and teachers in the language program. The SANSSpace VLE is an innovative, web based application, designed to manage and share multimedia course material, track student activity, and provide synchronous and asynchronous communication. The SANSSpace VLE extends the language learning environment beyond the physical classroom. With design specific for language learning applications it features a built-in, digital comparative recorder. Students can listen, record, compare, and save their work anytime, anywhere that they have access to an internet connection.

“After carefully reviewing all of the grant applications, North Hills Senior High School most clearly defined how they would utilize the SANSSpace technology to help build core language skills at all levels---from the novice to the student enrolled in an AP® college level language class,” Ron Remschel, SANS president, said. “With a focus on being able increase students’ language learning time beyond the standard 40-minute class period and giving students a framework for more interactive and engaged learning, North Hills has a vision for success.”

North Hills Senior High School is a public school with more than 1,200 students. Over half of its student population is enrolled in the World Language Program, which includes Spanish, French, German, Latin, and American Sign Language. With limited to access to native speakers of

languages other than English the SANSSpace Virtual Learning Environment will bring that world to students and engage them in an interactive process that is difficult to simulate in a traditional classroom. North Hills is adept in using technology to share information with students and parents so the SANSSpace VLE will take them a step further with the possibility of 24/7 language learning.

“Our school district is thrilled to have this unprecedented opportunity to assist our students in authentic language development. The SANSSpace VLE is going to provide independent, individualized learning experiences that will truly enhance student learning,” Barbara Foster, North Hills world language teacher and curriculum leader, said. “We are especially excited about the virtual comparative recorder that will allow the student to listen to an audio passage, speak and record their voice simultaneously. We believe that our students’ listening and speaking skills will be greatly enhanced.”

About SANS Inc.: SANS Inc, Software and Network Solutions, is the developer and exclusive worldwide licensor of Sony Language Learning Software. These titles include the widely used, technology solutions of the Sony Virtuoso™ and Soloist® digital language lab software suite. This technology is the instructional choice of numerous, discerning language programs in the U.S. and around the world. SANS is committed to providing software solutions that, first and foremost, address teaching and learning modalities and work within the IT framework of the school or government agency that is using the technology. With design and development in the United States, the product development team responds quickly to the customers’ needs and requests. In addition, the sales and marketing team strives to provide a level of customer support that is unparalleled in the industry. More at www.sansinc.com or contact Stella Derum at info@sansinc.com.

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