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### Galileo K-12 Online Aligned to Common Core State Standards

Tucson, AZ/September 2011 – Assessment Technology Incorporated (ATI), a leader in research-based, standards-aligned K-12 instructional improvement systems, announces today that its flagship product, Galileo K-12 Online is aligned to Common Core State Standards.

Since the start of this coordinated effort to standardize national student assessment, ATI has engaged in the process of aligning its continuously expanding assessment item banks (more than 80,000 currently) to the new standards. ATI, because of significant experience in handling changes in standards and because of critical proprietary mapping technology, experienced a smooth transition to the new standards. Districts and charter schools using Galileo K-12 Online in states implementing the new standards are now able to implement instruction and create assessments that are fully aligned to Common Core State Standards directly within the system.

“Users of Galileo K-12 Online are familiar with the direct alignment of ATI instructional materials and assessments to the specific state standards. As we transitioned into Common Core State Standards, we drew upon the resources from each state that helped inform the development of Common Core State Standards, while also expanding and innovating to address the student outcome expectations expressed in the new standards,” said ATI’s Assessment and Instructional Design Director, Scott Cunningham.

Forty-four states, plus the District of Columbia and the U.S. Virgin Islands, have signed on to participate in Common Core State Standards cooperative effort to standardize learning expectations. The movement to standardize learning expectations has been led by the National Governors Association Center for Best Practices (NGA Center) and the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO). In this movement, each state has the opportunity to incorporate into the basic Common Core Standards additional state-specific customized standards. This procedure can yield standards that are 85 percent common across all

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participating states and 15 percent state specific. As each state releases its final customized Common Core State Standards, ATI maps the resulting standards to the ATI item banks and builds additional items to ensure that all measurable standards are covered within the item banks for that state.

**About Galileo K-12 Online:**

Galileo K-12 Online from Assessment Technology Incorporated is a fully integrated, standards-based Instructional Improvement System, providing comprehensive assessment and instructional tools. State standards are built in and ready for use, as Common Core State Standards are as they receive state adoption. Galileo K-12 Online management tools assist educators in establishing instructional goals reflecting the district's curriculum, assessing goal attainment, forecasting standards mastery on statewide tests, and using assessment information to guide classroom instruction, enrichment, and reteaching interventions. ATI's patented technology is uniquely qualified to address a district's goals when implementing standards-based strategies to raise student achievement.

For more information, call 1.877.442.5453 or visit [ati-online.com](http://ati-online.com).

**About Assessment Technology Incorporated:**

Established in 1986 and headquartered in Tucson, Arizona, Assessment Technology Incorporated (ATI) is comprised of a professional staff with expertise from a variety of disciplines related to early childhood and K-12 education including teaching, training, educational measurement and outcomes evaluation, research, software development, information management systems, multimedia production, and the design of web-based applications for education. ATI was among the first to provide online testing, real-time results, and risk assessment identifying students at risk for not meeting standards. ATI technology continues to evolve based on client needs, research undertakings, government accountability requirements and advances in technology.

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