

Eduss Status – Sept. 1, 2009

Data

- Uploading students and staff multiple times per week – no known problems
- Implementing new issue/error reporting system – better feedback and handling of issues

Application

- Focus groups have new, enhanced functionality
 - Anyone in school can create, modify, assign assessment, etc., but “ownership” must be transferred (to avoid concurrent edits, ...)
 - Subtopics can be reviewed via the inbuilt hyperlinks ensuring students can fully understand the lesson.

Reports

- School Reports
 - Averages by topic
 - Filtering by grades or classes
 - Overview of students with difficulty regardless of student's grade level
 - Grouping by grade level proficiency (Ignoring student grade level)
- Class Reports
 - Assessment
 - Adding grade portions (e.g., completed 2 of 6) for closer look at how far into grade level student is.
 - Tutorial
 - Adding grade portions (e.g., completed 1 of 6) for closer look at how far into grade level student is.
 - Progress
 - Adding grade portions (e.g., completed 2 of 4) for closer look at how far into grade level student is.
 - Areas of Difficulty
 - Areas of Proficiency
 - Practice reports
- Student Reports
 - Topical
- General
 - Graphing where useful
 - Filtering of reports by specific criteria (Grade level, Grade level proficiency, Top/Bottom%)
 - Time spent
 - This will also be used in filtering, allowing a teacher or principal to ignore results where student has only spent X seconds in an exercise.

Instruction

- Content updates
 - Geometry - Units of Measurement - Week after thanksgiving
 - Geometry - Lines & Angles – February 09
 - Geometry - Plane shapes - March/April 09

- Fidelity of use
 - Consulting with their instructional experts as we speak
 - Updates coming in ~1 week

Different Module

- Teach me Module
 - The program contains inbuilt, interactive fully narrated teaching files. Teachers can elect to mute these voice files and speak to the slides themselves.
 - The slides contain special hyperlinks to review foundational concepts of the topic being taught.
 - Most often a series of slides ends with an interactive quiz.
- Automated Module
 - This module performs two major functions:
 - It assesses students in selected topics by starting at their current grade level and then moves down to lower grades in the same topic until the student shows competency.
 - It automatically generates an intervention tutorial based on the results of the diagnostic assessment. This tutorial has inbuilt help features to tutor the student through concepts she/he finds difficult.
- Practice exercises
 - Allows you to try any exercise in the program regardless of your grade. All results are stored so you can see your progress over time.
- Quiz Module
 - Allows you to create a test for a class to complete. This will not allow access to the teaching files in order to ensure students do not get help while completing the test.
- Homework
 - Allows you to create a test for a class to complete. The module does allow access to the teaching files to enable students to review methodologies and get help when they are stuck.