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## **ALEKS® ANNOUNCES DEDICATED REPORT TO SUPPORT CREATION OF IEPs**

New Report Allows Educators to Access Detailed Student Data to Support IEPs and Differentiate Instruction

IRVINE, CA – ALEKS Corporation, a leading provider of web-based assessment and learning solutions for mathematics, science, and business courses, has released a new report that provides K-12 educators with detailed student performance data to support the creation of Individualized Education Plans (IEPs). This report is available for immediate use and provides real-time data to monitor each student's progress through the course material. This allows teachers to determine the unique needs of each student and effectively differentiate instruction.

Key data displayed in the report include: Present Levels of Performance; Ready to Learn Topics; performance against Common Core or state standards; daily time spent and topic mastery; and a log of recently learned material. The report has been formatted for easy on-screen viewing and optimized for printing so it can be included in student portfolios or IEP meetings.

Like all data in ALEKS, the Present Levels of Performance (PLOP) details are dynamic and always current with the student's latest performance. By having this comprehensive list of exactly what each student is able to do -- broken down to the topic level -- educators can save extensive time from having to identify this information manually, and instead focus on delivering differentiated one-on-one instruction to each student.

"I couldn't ask for a program that gives me a more detailed look at the specific objectives and topics that my students have mastered or are struggling with. The reports that ALEKS provides are extremely helpful during parent-teacher conferences, IEP meetings, and student-teacher conferences," said Kristina Linberg, who teaches at Liberty Junior School in Ohio. "With ALEKS, I am able to pinpoint their strengths and weaknesses and adapt my teaching to fit their needs."

A list of Ready to Learn Topics is also included in the report and is continually updated based on the student's performance. ALEKS provides each student with a personalized learning path based on these topics. This learning path is represented by a multi-color pie chart -- a navigation tool that motivates the student to make progress. As the student works through the course, ALEKS updates the student's unique learning path. This continual re-optimization not only helps educators create accurate IEPs, but also challenges students without frustrating or boring them, resulting in tremendous learning momentum and confidence.

"As a Special Education teacher, I find that ALEKS is an invaluable tool to help me differentiate and provide individualized instruction to each of my students. I have seen my Special Education students make twice the gains in learning with ALEKS," notes Ruth Sherrard, a Special Education Teacher at Victoria Fertitta Middle School in Nevada. "We created this new report to help educators effectively identify and respond to the needs of their students, especially special education students," said JP Lenney, Senior Vice President of ALEKS Corporation. "With ALEKS, educators not only have the support to easily prepare detailed IEPs for students, but they also have an affordable and scalable means to provide truly differentiated instruction to every student in their institution."

ALEKS course products are correlated to Common Core and state standards, and can be easily implemented as a core curriculum or supplement for students in grades 3-12. Educators can explore ALEKS as both a student and as a teacher by signing up for a complimentary trial at <u>http://www.aleks.com/free\_trial/instructor</u>.

## About ALEKS Corporation

ALEKS Corporation is a leader in the creation of web-based, artificially-intelligent educational software. ALEKS assessment and learning technologies were originally developed by a team of cognitive scientists, mathematicians, and software engineers at the University of California, Irvine, with major funding from the National Science Foundation. ALEKS is founded on groundbreaking research in mathematical cognitive science known as Knowledge Space Theory. Through adaptive questioning, ALEKS accurately assesses a student's knowledge state, and then delivers targeted instruction on the topics a student is most ready to learn.

ALEKS has been used by millions of students in over 50 different mathematics, science, and business courses at thousands of K-12 schools, colleges, and universities throughout the world. For additional information, visit <u>http://www.aleks.com</u>.

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