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Naiku announces enhanced support for standards-based grading

Teachers and students benefit from additional tools to support standards-based grading in Naiku assessment software

(Bloomington, MN) March 20, 2018 – Naiku, a learner-centric assessment software solution, announced today enhanced support for standards-based grading. The additional capabilities add to the award-winning Naiku assessment platform to further help educators easily measure, track, and view student proficiency and progress of academic learning standards.

Educators already use <u>Naiku's cloud-based software</u> to quickly measure and track each student's proficiency of standards in any subject and grade, using everything from individual and common formative assessments to district wide benchmark assessments. Naiku provides for automatic scoring and immediate standards-aligned reporting of a wide variety of question item types, including technology and multimedia enhanced, and teachers can create, import, and share their own items and assessments in addition to using the included item and assessment bank. In addition to providing data for informed instruction, Naiku's learner-centric assessment uses metacognitive tools such as confidence, justification/journaling, reflection and adaptive learning resources to engage students and personalize learning to help accelerate student achievement.

The latest additions are designed to further support teachers implementing standards-based grading, including specifically the instructional method advocated by Dr. Robert Marzano. In this method, student assessments are scored based on item difficulty level and the pattern of student responses to generate a proficiency level for each standard assessed. Each item can either be automatically scored or manually scored by the teacher using a rubric in Naiku, with results automatically tabulated. "Standards-based grading is a research-proven instructional method. Our mission is to provide teachers with tools that facilitate better assessment, and we're pleased to provide these enhanced capabilities in Naiku to further support standards-based grading" says Greg Wright, CEO of Naiku.

In addition to automating the workflow for standards-based grading, the latest release includes enhanced live reporting views for teachers. These reports have added flexibility to quickly visualize student and class performance within a standards-based grading environment and complement the existing capability of Naiku to help educators easily track and view proficiency and progress of students.

For more information about Naiku visit <u>www.naiku.net</u>.

About Naiku:

Naiku is devoted to improving K-12 learning by providing teacher-friendly and learner-centric comprehensive assessment software. Naiku provides educators the ability to readily measure, track, view, and share student progress while engaging students more deeply through unique teacher-student interactive feedback tools. With automated scoring and built-in reports, teachers can inform and differentiate their instruction and data can be shared across the school and district to enhance best practices. With Naiku, Better Assessment leads to Better Learning. For more information, visit www.naiku.net/.

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