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### **Naiku announces Innovative Educator Grants**

*Grants valued at \$250,000 awarded to K-12 classroom teachers and teacher teams*

(EDINA, MN) January 15, 2015 – [Naiku](#), provider of award-winning, next-generation classroom assessment software, announced today the formation of an educational grant program for innovative teachers and teacher teams. The grants, valued at \$250,000, will be awarded to educators through the spring and next school year.

The awards are designed to support innovative teachers and teacher teams in utilizing learner-centric assessment practices in the classroom to differentiate instruction and personalize learning for all students. K-12 educators seeking to employ research-proven and learner-centric classroom assessment practices such as self-assessment, goal-setting, student reflection, bi-directional feedback, adaptive learning resources and more in a standards-based classroom environment are encouraged to apply at [www.naiku.net/grants](http://www.naiku.net/grants). The grants include psychometrician led professional development to provide instruction and guidance on the next-gen assessment practices as well as an annual subscription to Naiku classroom assessment software to facilitate implementation in the classroom.

Individual teachers can apply for the Innovative Teacher Grant. These individual grants will be awarded monthly on a rolling basis; 100 are planned to be awarded over the next year.

Teacher teams can apply for the Teacher Team School Grant. These team grants will be awarded on a rolling basis through April 30<sup>th</sup>; each grant supports an entire school, and can be used by one or more teams within the school. 30 Teacher Team School Grants will be awarded.

“Naiku’s mission is to support teachers in accelerating learning for all students – in any subject and grade - through better assessment”, said Greg Wright, Chief Executive Officer for Naiku. “We hope these grants of professional development and software tools aid teachers in their goal of supporting all students in a learner-centric environment.”

For more information about Naiku visit [www.naiku.net](http://www.naiku.net).

#### **About Naiku:**

Naiku is devoted to improving K-12 learning by providing next generation classroom assessment solutions on an open, SaaS based platform. Naiku provides educators the ability to readily measure and monitor student progress using any web enabled device and engage students more deeply through unique teacher-student interactive feedback tools. Naiku allows educators to create, share, import and deliver standards aligned quizzes and tests in any subject area. 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/](http://www.naiku.net/).

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