



Digital Promise Supports White House “ConnectED” Plan for Moving All Students into Digital Age

Washington, D.C. | June 6, 2013 – Today we are thrilled with the release of [ConnectED](#), an initiative coming out of the White House that will help ensure all students have access to a 21st-century education and educators are equipped with the tools and expertise to support it.

Our official statement of support for ConnectED is below:

Digital Promise is pleased to support the White House’s ConnectED initiative launched today. Through the [Digital Promise League of Innovative Schools](#), we help districts around the country establish and share best practices for an engaging, efficient, 21st-century education. We are encouraged that the daily needs and challenges of those districts are addressed through ConnectED.

Funds for high-speed Internet access in low-income and rural districts will ensure all students can access a modern education. Professional development is the foundation for any successful technology implementation, and an added emphasis on teacher training will ensure these tools supplement, rather than hinder, the great work already occurring in many classrooms. And we are confident ConnectED will support the efforts of Digital Promise and many others in working with the private sector to create tools that directly address teacher and student demand. We look forward to our continued involvement in this ongoing work.

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About Digital Promise

[Digital Promise](#) is an independent, bipartisan 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization authorized by Congress to spur innovation in education. Through its work with educators, technologists, researchers, and leading thinkers, Digital Promise supports comprehensive research and development to benefit lifelong learners and provide Americans with the knowledge and skills needed to compete in the global economy. One of its flagship initiatives, the Digital

Promise League of Innovative Schools, is a national coalition of public school districts committed to digital innovation that delivers results for students. The League of Innovative Schools includes 46 school districts and education agencies in 25 states, collectively serving nearly 3 million students.