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Florida Virtual School® and Ucompass Work Together to Ensure Student Success

ORLANDO, Fla. (Sept. 21, 2016) – Florida Virtual School (FLVS®) and Ucompass, the longtime Learning Management System (LMS) provider for FLVS, have entered into an agreement to transfer ownership of the Educator LMS Software and other related assets to FLVS. Acquiring the Educator LMS will allow FLVS to protect the student experience as the school district transitions from Educator to D2L's Brightspace LMS.

FLVS and Ucompass have grown together over the years, collaborating on customized, innovative solutions to address the needs of students, including the development of one of the defining FLVS features, the rolling enrollment system. Working with an LMS that personalizes and innovates the student educational experience is critical to the ability of FLVS to deliver high quality instruction. As Ucompass creator Ed Mansouri decided to change his focus from Educator to his weather and data education platform, WeatherSTEM, and FLVS began the process of reviewing new market requirements, it was important to find a provider who would fill the districts' needs, as Ucompass did for so many years.

In working closely with Ucompass and D2L to determine a transition plan that would allow for a seamless migration from Educator to Brightspace, it became evident that there were elements of the implementation that could not be finalized to the high quality standard of FLVS prior to December 31, 2016, the expiration date of the FLVS and Ucompass contract.

"We thank Ucompass for its shared dedication in ensuring FLVS students have the best possible experience. Students, parents, district virtual schools, and clients deserve educational excellence," said Ronald Blocker, president and CEO for FLVS. "Acquiring the Educator LMS gives FLVS complete access and control over all data and functionality, allowing for a smooth LMS transition. As the FLVS student-friendly enrollment school year allows students to work at different paces, students will have the time needed to complete their courses and FLVS District Virtual Schools will have uninterrupted services. We will continue to provide innovative educational solutions that ensure each student's unique educational needs are met."

"Being a resident and business owner in Florida, and a parent of children in Florida schools, I'm proud of the accomplishments that Ucompass and FLVS have made together in our commitment to providing students the highest quality education," said Mansouri, founder and CEO of Ucompass and WeatherSTEM. "I look forward to seeing FLVS enjoy continued success and to the possibility of collaborating with them in the future in a new realm."

About Florida Virtual School

[Florida Virtual School® \(FLVS®\)](#) is a fully accredited, statewide public school district offering more than 150 courses to Kindergarten-12 students. Its certified teachers use a variety of personalized instructional programs to create individualized educational plans for every student. Since 1997, FLVS students have successfully

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completed more than 2.4 million semester enrollments. FLVS also provides its courseware and expertise to online and blended learning programs across the nation. Services include content licensing, FLVS Global School, District Virtual Schools, digital learning labs, and professional development. As a not-for-profit, FLVS reinvests revenue into the development of new educational technologies and the creation of the highest-quality courses, benefiting students in Florida and beyond. To learn more, visit www.flvs.net.

About Ucompass

[Ucompass](http://www.ucompass.com) is an award-winning education technology company based in Tallahassee. For the past 20 years, they have pioneered online learning with a variety of products including a Learning Management System and an integrated approach to bringing real-world data into course curriculum. For more information, visit www.ucompass.com.

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