



Inspiration 9 Honored in 28th Annual "Tech & Learning" Awards of Excellence

Proven Visual Learning Tool Honored for New Capabilities, Significant Enhancements

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Inspiration® 9 is a winner in "Tech & Learning" magazine's 28th annual Awards of Excellence. This prestigious awards program honors software, hardware, network and web products that break new ground, as well as proven education tools with enhancements that provide significant value. Inspiration won its first "Tech & Learning" Award of Excellence a decade ago, and this year's award marks the fourth time since then.

Inspiration 9 is the ultimate thinking and learning tool to comprehend, create, communicate and achieve more. New capabilities in Inspiration 9, such as additional visual learning methodologies and support for creating presentations, provide an essential framework for thinking and help students develop reading, writing, organizational, comprehension and oral communication skills.

"Now that the use of technology in schools is no longer a novelty but a reality, it's no longer about the promise of what a product can do; it's about the proof," said Kevin Hogan, editorial director for NewBay Media's Tech & Learning Group. "This year's Award of Excellence products were tested by edtech experts from the New York City Department of Education and the University of Michigan, our top T&L advisors, and more. These companies can be proud their products were selected as winners."

"Since its launch earlier this year, Inspiration 9 has won high praise from the education, technology and parenting communities and, most importantly, from the teachers who use it with their students every day," said Mona Westhaver, president and co-founder, Inspiration® Software, Inc. "Adding this important recognition from one of the top education magazines to the list of honors acknowledges our commitment to support improvements in education and to make a positive difference by providing software tools that help people use visual thinking and learning to achieve academic goals."

For more information about Inspiration Software's family of visual learning tools, go to <http://www.inspiration.com>, "like" the company on [Facebook](#) or follow @InspirationSW on [Twitter](#). In addition, educators can keep up with the latest in visual learning strategies on [Thinkspiration™](#), Inspiration Software's blog.

About "Tech & Learning"

For over 30 years, "Tech & Learning" has been – and continues to be – the leading resource for K-12 leaders. Its publications, web sites and events provide factual and evaluative information

on trends, products and strategies to educators who purchase technology products in their districts and schools. "Tech & Learning," published by NewBay Media LLC, delivers the highest quality content and essential resources to manage, train and teach technology. For more information, visit www.TechLearning.com.

About Inspiration Software, Inc.

Recognized as the leader in visual thinking and learning, Inspiration Software, Inc.'s award-winning software tools, Inspiration, Kidspiration® and InspireData®, are based on proven visual learning methodologies that help students think, learn and achieve. With the powerful combination of visual learning and technology, students in grades K-12 learn to clarify thoughts, organize and analyze information, integrate new knowledge and think critically. Founded more than 25 years ago by Donald Helfgott and Mona Westhaver, the company's visual learning software tools are used today by more than 25 million students and teachers worldwide.