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**EDUSTRUCTURES RELEASES SIFWORKS® DIRECTORY MANAGER™**

*SIF® Agent and Provisioning Application for Microsoft® Active Directory® Provides Application Authentication and Secure, Seamless Synchronization of Data*

**SALT LAKE CITY, Utah—February 7, 2006**—Edustructures, the leading provider of Schools Interoperability Framework (SIF®) solutions for the K-12 education market, today announced the availability of its SIFWorks Directory Manager, a robust SIF agent and provisioning application for Microsoft Active Directory. The Edustructures SIFWorks Directory Manager enables Active Directory and other directory services to exchange student and staff records with any SIF compliant system and will also securely publish authentication objects out to other applications. This automated sharing of data frees-up staff time and insures both accuracy and security in managing directory changes across a school district.

SIFWorks Directory Manager ships with a collection of templates for customization of directory structures. The built-in field expression editor allows customization of usernames, passwords and virtually any other user account field in Active Directory. Additionally, the agent can create a new Active Directory tree structure based on the data published by the Student Information System. Because it uses the highest levels of SIF-defined security and features a secure management interface, SIFWorks Directory Manager will maintain network infrastructure security, verifying all incoming account data using X.509 certificate verification and 128-bit encryption.

“We work very closely with our customers to determine—and then build—SIF-based solutions that deliver information-management efficiency and, ultimately, success in improving education,” said Steve Curtis, CEO and president of Edustructures. “The SIFWorks Directory Manager presents schools with new capabilities to reduce the cost and complexity in provisioning and managing data, while boosting administrative productivity and increasing the strategic value of their technology investments.”

**About Edustructures**

Edustructures is the only company exclusively focused on delivering a comprehensive integration solution built on the SIF standard for the K-12 education market. Edustructures is the recognized leader in SIF integration solutions, partnering with the market-leading Student Information, Library, Transportation, Cafeteria and Directory solution providers. SIF makes it possible for disparate applications to reliably, securely—and in real-time—exchange the school system data, allowing educators to focus on *education*. When schools, districts and states think SIF, they think Edustructures. Edustructures connects the systems that power education. For more information about Edustructures, please visit [www.edustructures.com](http://www.edustructures.com). For more information about SIF, please visit [www.sifinfo.org](http://www.sifinfo.org).

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