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**AAC Inc. Joins the Cisco AVVID Partner Program  
PhoneTop® K-12/EDU meets Cisco AVVID Program Requirements for  
Interoperability**

**VIENNA, Virginia, June 2, 2003**—AAC Inc. today announced that it has joined the Cisco AVVID (Architecture for Voice and Video Integrated Data) Partner Program as an IP Telephony Solutions member. Through membership in the Cisco AVVID Partner Program, PhoneTop K-12/EDU provides productivity enhancements to enterprise customers.

The Cisco AVVID Partner Program sets criteria for interoperability testing by independent third parties and is a co-marketing program enabling leading product and services firms to deploy innovative e-business solutions. The program provides enterprise customers with information regarding Cisco AVVID Partner products and services that an independent testing facility has tested, verified and found to interoperate with Cisco networking technology.

Cisco CallManager is the software-based call-processing component of the Cisco enterprise IP telephony solution and a key component of Cisco AVVID. CallManager software extends enterprise telephony features and capabilities to packet telephony network devices such as IP phones, media processing devices, voice-over-IP (VoIP) gateways, and multimedia applications.

“AAC’s PhoneTop K-12/EDU product suite has proven to be an invaluable tool for our schools for increasing end-user productivity levels by simplifying and automating many of the daily administrative tasks teachers have to perform,” said Doug Bowlds, Vice President of AAC’s Convergence Technologies Division.

“AAC and Cisco support open, standards-based architectures and share a commitment to interoperable solutions. Through this vision, the Cisco AVVID Partner Program delivers the power of choice to enterprises -- the ability to extend the Cisco end-to-end architecture with our members’ world-class products and technologies,” said David Loy, Major Account Manager for the Education Sector. “With Cisco AVVID partner offerings such as AAC PhoneTop K-12 or EDU, customers can deploy a broad range of e-business solutions which foster innovation and drive rapid adoption of business-critical technologies.”

Teachers can use PhoneTop K-12/EDU on their Cisco IP Phones to:

- **Take Period and Daily Attendance.** Allows teachers to take attendance via the phone and administrators to monitor and modify the attendance information. The attendance application includes the student’s photo so that new or substitute teachers can verify the student’s identity. The attendance program informs the teachers of pre-approved absences, birthdays, and students with perfect attendance records for the present quarter.
- **Issue and Monitor Electronic Hall Passes.** Allows school faculty to issue halls passes on the phone. School personnel can also monitor and manage the outstanding halls passes. The identity of the student can be verified by checking the on-line photograph.
- **Conduct Time Keeping Activities.** Provides a mechanism by which temporary or hourly personnel can log their time in and out of the system. The module also provides an historical record of the time worked by the employee.
- **Issue Daily Bulletins.** Provides the school with the ability to issue important information to all school faculty personnel in a timely and efficient fashion.
- **Call Faculty Members by Function.** Provides school faculty with the ability to call school personnel based on their job function rather than their name. This is especially useful in large schools and for new teachers, substitute (supply) teachers and interns.

- **Manage Student Information.** Allows for management of student activities, including early dismissals, pre-approving absences, viewing contact and enrolment information and today's activities (including historical data).
- **Conduct Visitor/Intern Control.** Helps schools to tighten facility security by supplying pictures of visitors, contractor personnel, and interns throughout the school campus. If a teacher sees someone who they do not recognize, the teacher can quickly verify that the school front office has accepted that person as a visitor to the school.

**About AAC** — Incorporated in 1983, AAC provides infrastructure engineering consulting services for Federal and commercial clients. AAC boasts three areas of expert specialization: IP Communications, Information Assurance, and Applications Development. AAC has earned the Cisco Systems IP Telephony (revised) Specialization status and the Cisco AVVID Partner designation, providing value-added, customized Voice-over-IP solutions to our customers. This includes the integration of 3<sup>rd</sup>-Party, Eco-System Partner products as well as the development and integration of AAC XML applications such as the PhoneTop® product suites described herein. Contact [sales@phonetop.com](mailto:sales@phonetop.com) or call 1-877-FONE-TOP to find out how these applications can benefit your organization.

To learn more about AAC Inc. please visit our web site at [www.aac.com](http://www.aac.com).

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