



# Protected on All Fronts

The digital landscape of the 21st century has given educational institutions unprecedented and growing opportunities to improve student learning and teacher effectiveness through the use of online tools, collaborative media, and forums and applications geared toward information sharing. Students and teachers should enjoy the benefits of these tools without worrying about the threat of malicious software.

Threats are not abating, however. Last year, according to the *Symantec Global Internet Security Threat Report XV*, more than 2.9 million new malicious code signatures appeared. That constitutes a growth of more than 1.2 million signatures over the previous year. And securing the digital infrastructure in an academic setting comes with unique challenges. Like most organizations, schools are obligated by law to secure data within their student information systems. Symantec is trusted by millions of individuals and organizations around the world to secure vital information. All Symantec solutions for the education industry include robust reporting features that feed reports to a common management console, allowing schools to demonstrate compliance with the law, and in some cases, meet reporting requirements for state and federal grants.

Unlike most organizations, however, school technologists must support a wide variety of applications and tools, many of which are open to a vast and constantly evolving user base. Securing the many facets of a school's digital infrastructure can quickly turn into an unruly and costly venture, which may seem unmanageable in today's budget environment.

Symantec information security solutions constitute a scalable, cost-effective defense for student information systems while safeguarding digital infrastructure against unauthorized activity. Symantec's Academic Buying Programs offer competitive license terms and pricing with the option to extend security to student

## Safeguarding the Systems Students and Educators Rely On

Symantec security solutions protect school information systems and network users in numerous ways.

- **Symantec Protection Suite, Enterprise Edition** provides integrated, multilayered malware protection, backup and recovery for the entire infrastructure, including desktops, laptops, servers, e-mail and messaging clients.
- **Symantec Endpoint Protection** blocks malicious activity on computers and devices across the network. Symantec Endpoint Protection helps budget-conscious schools prevent unauthorized access to systems that house personally identifiable information, financial data and academic records.
- **Symantec Brightmail Gateway** cleans and filters e-mail, eliminating viruses and spyware at the network perimeter.
- **Symantec Web Gateway** filters inappropriate content, phishing sites, viruses and other malicious software types.
- **Symantec Altiris Client Management Suite** helps IT staff remotely manage software updates and patches for better security. It also reduces IT costs by providing remote troubleshooting of endpoint devices and touch-free imaging and provisioning.
- **Symantec Altiris Deployment Suite** reduces costs of deploying and managing desktops, laptops and servers, and enables seamless migration to new operating systems, including Windows 7.
- **Symantec Backup Exec 2010** facilitates full backup and data deduplication for budget-conscious schools.
- **Symantec Enterprise Vault** enables e-mail and file archiving for larger K-12 districts with 1000+ mailboxes.

and teacher computers and mobile hardware. Educational institutions can rely on Symantec's partners and support network to deploy and manage their information infrastructure, and configure it to their needs.



Symantec is a global leader in providing security, storage and systems management solutions to help consumers and organizations secure and manage their information-driven world. Our software and services protect against more risks at more points, more completely and efficiently, enabling confidence wherever information is used or stored.

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