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### **iNACOL Announces First Affiliate Chapter with California's CUE**

Vienna, VA, March 4, 2009– The International Association for K-12 Online Learning (iNACOL) is pleased to announce the creation of its first affiliate chapter in partnership with the Computer-Using Educators, Inc. (CUE).

The mission of the affiliate chapter is to increase educational opportunities and enhance learning through collaborative expertise and leadership in online teaching and learning. This special interest group of CUE is made up of educators throughout the state of California and Nevada who will help expand opportunities for students in these states.

iNACOL is the International Association for K-12 Online Learning. iNACOL, which was formed in 2003, is a non-profit association that believes online learning is a powerful innovation that expands education opportunities ([www.inacol.org](http://www.inacol.org)). iNACOL supports access to high-quality online learning for all students.

CUE is a nonprofit corporation founded in 1978. CUE's goal is to advance student achievement through technology in all disciplines from preschool through college. With an active current membership of thousands of educational professionals, CUE supports close to thirty regional affiliates and Special Interest Groups (SIG). The eLearning SIG is CUE's newest such group, and its mission are perfectly aligned with iNACOL's goals.

According to Allison Powell, Vice President of iNACOL, “This partnership will help advance the field of K-12 online learning in California, Nevada and around the globe. Our new affiliate program will provide the opportunity for organizations with complementary missions to expand their reach and network of members. As a result, we will work together to provide access to K-12 online learning to all students.”

Mike Lawrence, Executive Director of CUE, said, “CUE is proud to shine the spotlight towards online learning in California, and work with iNACOL to advance student achievement through these innovative learning strategies across the region. Bringing together these two outstanding educational associations will greatly magnify our impact. We look forward to a wonderful partnership.”

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#### **About iNACOL**

iNACOL hosts the annual Virtual School Symposium (VSS); VSS 2009 will be held Nov. 15 – 17, 2009 in Austin, TX ([www.virtualschoolsymposium.org](http://www.virtualschoolsymposium.org)).

**About CUE**

CUE Conferences are the premier educational technology events in the western U.S. Computer-Using Educators(CUE ) is the largest organization of its type in the west and one of the largest in the United States. [www.cue.org](http://www.cue.org)