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Verizon Thinkfinity Named Best Free Educational Web Site by Library Media Connection Magazine

NEW YORK – Verizon Thinkfinity has received Library Media Connection Magazine’s Editor’s Choice award for the best free educational Web site.

Verizon Thinkfinity (www.thinkfinity.org) contains thousands of free, engaging educational resources that make learning fun, including K-12 lesson plans, in-class activities and videos that can be found quickly and searched by grade level, keyword or subject.

Verizon Thinkfinity resources are aligned to state and national standards and offer elementary through high school teachers resources across eight academic disciplines, from science to English to mathematics, to improve student achievement.

The [Library Media Connection’s](#) Editor’s Choice awards recognize products that are most valuable to K-12 students and those educators, especially school librarians, who work with them. LMC announced Editor’s Choice awards in 24 categories ranging from best picture books,

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to best reference, to best professional reading. Winners of this award should be considered by school library media specialists as necessary resources for their libraries and schools, said Shelley Glantz, reviews editor for Library Media Connection.

“This is where the good stuff lives --- tens of thousands of resources, accessible and searchable,” said Glantz.

Content for Verizon Thinkfinity is provided through a partnership between the Verizon Foundation and 11 of the nation’s leading organizations in the fields of education and literacy: the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Council for Economic Education, International Reading Association, The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, National Center for Family Literacy, National Endowment for the Humanities, National Council of Teachers of English, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, National Geographic Society, ProLiteracy and the Smithsonian’s National Museum of American History.

The Verizon Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Verizon Communications, supports the advancement of literacy and K-12 education through its free educational Web site, Thinkfinity.org, and fosters awareness and prevention of domestic violence. In 2008, the Verizon Foundation awarded more than \$68 million in grants to nonprofit agencies in the U.S. and abroad. It also matched the charitable donations of Verizon employees and retirees, resulting in an additional \$26 million in combined contributions to nonprofits. Through Verizon Volunteers, one of the nation’s largest employee volunteer programs, Verizon employees and retirees have volunteered more than 3 million hours of community service since 2000. For more information on the foundation, visit www.verizonfoundation.org.

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