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Press Release

Learners Edge Announces Expanded Partnership with Andrews University, Providing Increased Professional Development Opportunities for Teachers throughout Michigan

Lakeville, MN, March 5, 2018: Learners Edge announces the expansion of a strategic academic partnership improving the reach of continuing education courses for teachers throughout the state of Michigan. While Learners Edge courses have been used by teachers throughout Michigan for more than a decade, the expanded partnership with highly respected Andrews University will enhance reach, teacher choice and more easily meet teacher's professional development needs.

Learners Edge offers over 120 continuing education options. Courses are designed for PreK-12 educators addressing many of today's educational needs including curriculum focused upon ADHD, Literacy, Technology, Social-Emotional Learning, and Educator Wellness. Courses are self-paced and able to be completed without having to step foot on the college campus, providing the flexibility that busy teachers need as they dedicate their time and energy to their classrooms.

"Education changes so quickly," said Joe Cotter, President and CEO of Learners Edge, "We have a team of former teachers and administrators constantly developing rigorous, applicable courses that are geared towards helping teachers stay in tune with the needs of today's children." Cotter continues, "Our new partnership with Andrews University will help deliver that applicable learning to even more education professionals."

Andrews University continues to offer a wide range of undergraduate teaching degrees and graduate programs. Through the expanded Learners Edge partnership, the ability to reach teachers throughout Michigan and even on a national basis will significantly expand. New and experienced teachers and administrators looking to enhance their knowledge base and teaching techniques, will easily be able to find a wide range of courses to suit their needs.

Teachers interested in registering for continuing education graduate credit through Andrews University, should visit Learners Edge website and select Andrews University as their partner institution: http://www.learnersedge.com).

About Learners Edge (<u>http://www.LearnersEdge.com</u>): Learners Edge has been committed to helping teachers reach the highest level of success in their classrooms and in their careers since 2002. Offering over120 self-paced, continuing education courses for teachers across the country and around the world, Learners Edge is continually working towards its mission of improving the quality of teaching and learning.

About Andrews University (http://www.andrews.edu): Founded in 1874, Andrews University (AU) is a fully accredited, private university located in the southwest corner of Michigan, offering students more than 200 undergraduate and graduate degrees in business, education, technology, religion, arts and sciences, and architecture. With a student body, faculty and administration that hail from over 90 countries, U.S. News & World Report ranks Andrews as one of the most culturally diverse universities in the nation.

While placing high value on academic excellence across its programs, the Andrews University Teacher Education Program in particular has been designated by the Michigan Department of Education as one of the top teacher education programs in the state, earning an exemplary ranking seven years in a row among the highest-performing teacher education programs in the state for over a decade (as reported by the Michigan Department of Education). As a premier provider of quality teacher preparation and training, Andrews applies the same care, diligence and high standards to their Professional Development courses.

Andrews University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). Its teacher training and school services programs are further accredited by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and by the State of Michigan Department of Education.