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PENN FOSTER CAREER SCHOOL STANDARDISES ON EUROSOFT'S TEST AND DIAGNOSTIC SOLUTIONS

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In a move seen by Eurosoft as further confirmation of its position as a world-leading supplier of PC test and diagnostic solutions, Penn Foster Career School has standardised on Eurosoft's PC test and diagnostic solutions for its most popular teaching and training programs.

Based in Scranton, Pennsylvania and previously known as Thomson-Education Direct, Penn Foster Career School is one of the oldest and largest distance learning institutions in the world. The decision to adopt Eurosoft's solutions throughout its courses demonstrates the industry's demand for graduates and new employees already fully familiar with widely-installed and de facto standard test and diagnostics

Penn Foster provides programs and services designed to meet the life-long learning needs of the adult learner, leading to specialised associate degrees and career-specific diplomas. For two of its most popular courses — PC Repair (vocational diploma) and PC Maintenance Technology (associates degree) the school has now standardized on Eurosoft's Pc-Check® and QA+Win32™ to ensure that its students receive the very best training and familiarise them in the use of PC test and diagnostic solutions that have been widely adopted throughout the PC manufacturing and servicing industries.

"We provide every student enrolled in both our vocational diploma program (PC Repair) as well as our 2-year degree program (PC Maintenance Technology), with Eurosoft's world-beating solutions," explained Jeff Orr, Director of Program Development for Penn Foster Career School. *"Eurosoft's test and diagnostic software are an excellent way to teach applications of diagnostic software both for troubleshooting equipment failure as well as for preventative maintenance."*

The U.S. Department of Labor has predicted that job opportunities for PC Repair Technicians will increase by 15% through to the year 2012. Many of Penn Foster Career School's qualified students have found new opportunities working for an existing PC repair organisation or starting up their own, specialized business.

"In the 9 years that we have been working with Eurosoft, we have had over 5,000 graduates," continued Jeff Orr. *"Students find that the program provides not only comprehensive, entry-level training in PC hardware and software, but also serves as a great tool for A+ certification preparation."*



Sharon Richards, Eurosoft's Sales and Marketing Director, added: *"The PC service industry is continually adapting in line with new technologies. We believe that it is crucial to train graduates in the use of state-of-the-art test PC and diagnostic solutions and we are delighted that our Pc-Check and QA+Win32 applications have been adopted so successfully by Penn Foster."*

About Penn Foster Career School

Based in Scranton, Pennsylvania, the mission of Penn Foster Career School is to empower adult learners to advance or change their careers, learn a new skill, or gain personal satisfaction. Penn Foster Career School's courses are available on-line or print-based; students enrolled in its PC Technician program are able to study in their own time and at their own pace. The PC Maintenance Technology course leads to an Associate in Specialized Technology (AST) Degree in PC Maintenance Technology and covers a broad range of disciplines, including the installation, troubleshooting, and operating software and hardware; computer and network maintenance; Internet applications and security; CGI/Perl and Java™ programming; and advanced database technology.

About Eurosoft

For over 25 years, Eurosoft has developed and delivered PC test and diagnostic solutions to tens of thousands of computer industry and business customers worldwide — PC manufacturing, specialist support and service organisations, IT training centres, leading private and public sector organisations, and businesses with PC testing requirements.

Eurosoft's products address test and diagnostic issues throughout the entire PC lifecycle: designing, manufacturing, supporting, servicing, upgrading, re-assigning and recycling PC products. Today, Eurosoft continues to lead the way in cutting edge PC software and hardware testing with a complete suite of new diagnostic solutions that support tests with or without Microsoft's WinPE and Vista operating systems.

With its head office in Bournemouth, Eurosoft has offices in Providence, Rhode Island and in Sioux City, Iowa and partners with major organizations throughout the world.

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