



SMARTHINKING Named To Inc. 5,000 List
*Online Tutoring Leader Named One Of Nation's
Fastest-Growing Private Companies*

WASHINGTON, D.C. – SMARTHINKING, Inc. (<http://www.smarthinking.com/>), the market leader in providing online tutoring and academic support to students, has announced that it has been recognized by *Inc.* magazine as one of the nation's fastest-growing private companies. The Inc. 5,000 is a list of the nation's top 5,000 fastest-growing businesses based on revenue growth from 2005 through 2008. The list can be viewed in its entirety at <http://www.inc.com/inc5000/list>.

QUOTES:

"It is an honor to be named to the Inc. 5,000 list," said Katherine Clark, CEO of SMARTHINKING. "SMARTHINKING has shown significant growth in the past several years, and this ranking is a tribute to the hard work of our employees and supporters. The increase in student success and retention seen by institutions using our service has resulted in expansion within existing customers, and the addition of many new customers. Our clients' successes have helped us achieve this growth. We will continue to provide exceptional online academic support to our clients and students."

DETAILS:

- The list represents the most comprehensive look at the most important segment of the economy, America's independent-minded entrepreneurs.
- Businesses named to the Inc. 5,000 list must be U.S.-based, privately held, for-profit, independent companies.
- This year's list measures revenue growth from 2006 to 2009. The minimum revenue for 2006 is \$80,000 and the minimum for 2009 is \$2 million.

ABOUT SMARTHINKING:

SMARTHINKING is the market leader in providing online tutoring and academic support to bolster student performance, persistence and retention. Its services were honored with the Software & Information Industry Association (SIIA) CODiE award for Best Instruction Solution for Students at Home. Schools, colleges, universities, libraries, government agencies, textbook publishers and other education providers partner with SMARTHINKING to increase student achievement and enhance learning. SMARTHINKING connects students to e-structor®-certified tutors for assistance in math, writing, science and business, up to 24/7, on any Internet connected computer. SMARTHINKING's corporate office is located in Washington, D.C. For more information, visit <http://www.smarthinking.com/>.

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