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**ASCEND MATH ANNOUNCES IMPORTANT SPRING TECH TIPS**

**Shreveport, LA (April 15, 2014)** Ascend Education announced two important tech tips this week for their partner schools using Ascend Math.

Starting next week Microsoft will no longer support Windows XP. This is trouble especially if schools are using Internet Explorer 8. Newer versions of Internet Explorer simply will not run on XP. At the same time, Google has announced that they will no longer provide support for Chrome Frame. Educators who are uncertain what browser they are currently using are advised to go to <http://www.whatsmybrowser.org>.

In light of recent concerns over the Heartbleed bug Ascend Education is assuring their partner schools that Ascend Math is not vulnerable to Heartbleed.

“Ascend Math cannot be affected by Heartbleed,” said Kevin Briley, CEO of Ascend Education. “Ascend Math has verified security protocols. Schools using Ascend Math can rest assured that their data is secure and our system has not been impacted by this bug.”

**About Ascend Math®**

Ascend Math is a research-based instructional resource in which students have proven to achieve two or more grade level gains in a six-month period. This web-delivered individualized intervention resource identifies skill gaps, prescribes targeted instruction, and motivates students to achieve their maximum performance and potential.

Instruction is delivered in a logical math sequence and students can progress at their own pace and track their own progress and success. Ascend Math is currently used in more than 500 schools and districts serving tens of thousands of students throughout the U.S. and Canada. Visit [www.ascendmath.com](http://www.ascendmath.com)

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