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**eCollege[®] Partners with Elluminate to Deliver
Highly Collaborative, Intuitive and Scalable Synchronous Suite**

Fully Integrated Synchronous Suite Supports Quality Student Experience and Improved Retention

DENVER – April 24, 2006 – eCollege[®] [Nasdaq: ECLG], a leading provider of value-added information services to the post-secondary education industry, today announced a partnership with Elluminate, Inc. to advance the eCollege ClassLive synchronous suite, which is included as part of eCollege’s core distance learning platform. Powered by Elluminate, a leading provider of live eLearning and Web collaboration solutions for real-time interaction, the synchronous suite will provide a highly collaborative, intuitive and scalable environment.

“Research shows that real-time interactivity in online courses creates a sense of community that has been proven to increase student performance and retention rates,” said Maurice Heiblum, president of Elluminate USA, Inc. “eCollege shares our commitment to driving student retention, and we believe our partnership will further enhance the quality of a student’s online experience.”

eCollege is seamlessly integrating Elluminate *Live!*[™], a real-time virtual classroom that replicates learning activities online, directly into its course environment. This enables users to engage in synchronous interaction without going outside of the platform. ClassLive powered by Elluminate, which will be automatically available to eCollege customers this summer, includes a shared whiteboard, interactive text chat and record/playback capabilities. Additionally, eCollege customers can upgrade to ClassLive Pro and access two-way voice over IP, application sharing, breakout rooms, video and other media-rich content.

The advanced ClassLive synchronous suite will enable greater collaboration among large and small groups. Additionally, it will provide a highly intuitive interface so users can concentrate more on interaction and less on the technology, as well as increased scalability to handle the growing demand for synchronous tools.

“Our partnership with Elluminate allows us to take ClassLive to the next level as an increasing number of our customers look to leverage synchronous tools to deliver a more interactive learning experience,” said Oakleigh Thorne, chairman and CEO of eCollege. “Elluminate has designed its solutions specifically to meet the needs of distance learners and instructors, which aligns with our focus on delivering solutions that drive the growth and success of full online programs.”

In addition to working with Elluminate to advance ClassLive, eCollege also has made enhancements to the chat functionality of its synchronous suite. Specifically, users now can customize the size of the chat window so they can toggle between the chat functionality and other areas of their online course.

About Elluminate, Inc.

Elluminate, Inc. provides proven, best-in-class solutions for real-time online learning and collaboration. Elluminate delivers exceptional outcomes that enhance the learning experience, and increase retention and completion rates with lower Total Cost of Ownership and higher ROI. Elluminate features high-quality VoIP, robust interactive functionality for participants and moderators, and unique No User Left Behind technology – regardless of platform or Internet connection speed. Elluminate has won several prestigious industry awards, including *Network Computing* magazine’s Editor’s Choice for Web Conferencing software. Headquartered in Calgary, Alberta, Canada and Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Elluminate is the trusted choice of prominent corporations and academic institutions such as ADP, the University of Calgary, DeVry University, Georgia State University, Johns Hopkins University, PA Department of Education, Sun Microsystems, T-Mobile, and many more. For more information, visit www.illuminate.com.

About eCollege

eCollege [Nasdaq: ECLG] is a leading provider of value-added information services to the post-secondary and K-12 education industries. The Company's eLearning Division designs, builds and supports some of the most successful, fully online degree, certificate/diploma and professional development programs in the country. The Company's Enrollment Division, Datamark, Inc., helps institutions build new enrollments and increase student retention. Customers include publicly traded for-profit institutions, community colleges, public and private universities, school districts and state departments of education. eCollege was founded in 1996 and is headquartered in Chicago, with the eLearning Division headquartered in Denver. Datamark was founded in 1987 and is headquartered in Salt Lake City. For more information, visit www.eCollege.com and www.Datamark.com.

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