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## ANTHEM HIGH SCHOOL NOW OFFERING ONLINE DIPLOMAS AND PROFESSIONAL SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

**PHOENIX, ARIZ., February 23, 2012**—<u>Anthem High School</u>, a partnership between Anthem College Online and Smart Horizons Career Online Education (SHCOE), is now online and accepting students.

"We are excited to partner with Smart Horizons," says Darcy Richardson, Division President of Anthem College Online. "Both our organizations want to offer adult learners the opportunity to earn a high school diploma and support their efforts. More adults realize that education is critical to getting a better life for themselves and their families. Anthem High School is one path they can use to begin working toward their educational and career goals."

Students who are interested in learning basic workplace skills, such as Microsoft Office, communication, and time management, can work toward a <u>Professional Skills Development Certificate</u> while they earn their high school diploma.

Anthem High School graduates can continue their education through Anthem College Online, the online division of Anthem College-Phoenix, part of Anthem Education. It offers post-secondary education and training <a href="mailto:programs">programs</a> in the following fields:

- Accounting Technology
- Business Management
- Criminal Justice
- Health Information Management
- Healthcare Management
- Medical Assisting
- Medical Office Administration
- Paralegal

Depending on the program, students can earn an Associate of Science or Bachelor of Science degree, except for the Medical Office Administration program, which offers a Diploma only. Two programs—Healthcare



Management and Medical Assisting—offer degree completion options as well.

SHCOE is the first online school district to receive accreditation from AdvanceD/SACS. The organization shares many of the same goals as Anthem College Online, says SHCOE Board Chairman Richard Goldman, PhdD. "Both of our organizations prepare students to succeed in their education and careers, and provide skilled employees. I believe that together, we can serve as a model to help improve the educational outlook for many people and maybe even help improve our economy."

## **About Anthem College Online**

Originally established in 2003, Anthem College Online is part of Anthem Education, a Phoenix, Arizona-based family of schools and colleges that provides career-focused training and education programs at 23 accredited institutions in 15 states as well as online. The Anthem Education family of schools includes Anthem College, Anthem College Online, Anthem Career College, Anthem Institute, Morrison University, and The Bryman School of Arizona. For more information, visit <a href="http://anthem.edu">http://anthem.edu</a>.

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.anthem.edu/disclosures">www.anthem.edu/disclosures</a>.

## **About Smart Horizons Career Online Education**

Smart Horizons Career Online Education, founded in 2009 and located in Pensacola, Florida, is a private, AdvancED/SACS accredited online school district. AdvancED/SACS District accreditation signifies that SHCOE and all of its schools are fully accredited and that SHCOE is recognized across the nation as a quality school system. Smart Horizons Career Online Education offers 18-credit, career-based high school diploma programs that are designed to prepare students for entrance into the workplace. Career certificate offerings include Childcare Education, Office Management, Protection Services, Homeland Security, Healthcare (coming in Fall 2011) and Transportation Services. For more information, visit our Web site at www.shcoe.org, call our office at 855-777-4265 or email our office at enrollment@smarthorizonsonline.org

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