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Accelerate Learning CEO Vernon Johnson Named EdTech Visionary Leader for 2019

The EdTech Awards 2019 also recognizes Accelerate Learning and its solutions as finalists in three other categories

HOUSTON – April 10, 2019 – Dr. Vernon Johnson, president and CEO of <u>Accelerate Learning</u>, has received the 2019 "Visionary" award in the Leadership category of the 2019 <u>EdTech</u> Awards. In addition to Johnson's Leadership Award, Accelerate Learning was named a finalist for a Trendsetter Award in the "edtech company setting a trend" category.

For nearly a decade, the EdTech Awards program has sought to highlight and celebrate innovators, leaders and trendsetters in the education technology industry. This year's program featured over 50 different subcategories of awards including best video-based learning solutions, special needs/assistive technology solutions, emerging technologies, college prep solutions and more.

"I am extremely honored to be recognized as the winner of this year's Visionary award," said Johnson. "But as we all know, it takes a team to bring a product to market and I am fortunate to be supported daily by talented professionals who bring their best to our work of providing the best digital science and STEM resources to preK-12 education."

Accelerate Learning's solutions were also recognized as finalists in three of the competition's Cool Tool Awards categories. They are:

- STEMscopes NGSS 3D in the STEM solution category
- <u>STEMrangers Science Night</u> in the parent/student solution category
- <u>STEMscopes Early Explorer</u> for preK/early childhood learning in the "write-in: OTHER" category

"The 2019 EdTech Awards celebrate edtech's best and brightest; innovators, leaders, and trendsetters who are shaping the future of learning," said Victor Rivero, who as editor-in-chief of EdTech Digest, oversees the program. "This year's finalists and winners were narrowed from the larger field and judged based on various criteria, including: pedagogical workability, efficacy and results, support, clarity, value and potential. We offer our sincere congratulations and thanks to them all."

About Accelerate Learning

Incubated at Rice University, Accelerate Learning has grown from a single product, STEMscopes, to a brand that now offers a variety of curriculum and professional development solutions that support early learning, NGSS, and state-aligned curriculum. For more information, visit stemscopes.com or call toll-free 800-531-0864.

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