Australian School Increases Wi-Fi Speeds with 802.11n

Galen Catholic College Increases Wi-Fi Performance with Xirrus® 802.11n Wi-Fi Arrays™

Jan. 28, 2009 - *PRLog* -- Xirrus, Inc., the Wi-Fi "Power-Play" that delivers the most wireless coverage, bandwidth, and throughput in the industry announced today the deployment of their 802.11abg+n Wi-Fi Arrays at Galen Catholic College located in Wangaratta, Victoria, Australia. Galen Catholic College selected 802.11n Xirrus Wi-Fi Arrays to support their high performance applications and high-density classrooms campus-wide.

Comprised of 17 buildings with over 63,000 square feet (19,428 square meters) of educational space, Galen Catholic College services nearly 900 students from Wangaratta and other local districts in Australia.

"At Galen College, we work hard to provide our students and teachers with the latest technology for enhanced collaboration, document-management, and Internet access," said Dave Seiter, Principal at Galen Catholic College. "We chose to deploy Xirrus 802.11abg Wi-Fi Arrays last year because it was the only Wi-Fi solution capable of handling our 1:1 computer initiative and that would allow us to easily to upgrade 802.11n when we were ready—we made the right decision!"

"Recently, we upgraded our 802.11abg Wi-Fi Arrays to 802.11n—the process was quick and easy," added Dave. "Xirrus made it possible to replace all our desktop computers—we now have hundreds of Wi-Fi-enabled HP® and Apple® computing devices wirelessly running applications like ClickView® and Microsoft® Sharepoint® across our campus. Everyone at Galen is extremely impressed with the pervasive coverage and wired-like speeds experience from the Xirrus products—equated to higher productivity and education time for all."

"By going with Xirrus' 802.11abg solution last year, Galen was able to effortlessly upgrade to 802.11n, further increasing the connection speeds for their students and teachers," said James Shields, Regional Manager for Xirrus. "Student productivity drastically increased as a result of the Xirrus deployment, not to mention the hundreds of thousands saved by repurposing two computer rooms for general instructional use."

About Galen Catholic College

Galen Catholic College is a year 7 to 12 co-educational Catholic secondary college located three hours north of Melbourne, Australia with a history dating back to 1898 from the Brigidine & Marist religious orders. The school draws 886 students from Wangaratta and surrounding districts. For more information, please visit www.galen.vic.edu.au.

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About Xirrus

Xirrus, the only Wi-Fi "Power-Play", manufacturers the Wi-Fi Array® architecture that displaces both overlay Wi-Fi offerings and switched Ethernet to the desktop. The Wi-Fi Array integrates 4, 8, 12, 16, or 24 802.11abg+n radios coupled to a high-gain directional antenna system into a single device along with an onboard multi-gigabit switch, Wi-Fi controller, firewall, dedicated Wi-Fi threat sensor, and an embedded spectrum analyzer. The Wi-Fi Array provides more than enough bandwidth, security, and control to replace

switched Ethernet to the desktop as the primary network connection. The Xirrus Wi-Fi Array delivers the most coverage, bandwidth, throughput, and user density on a per device and per system basis than anything else available on the market today - resulting in a solution that uses 75% fewer devices, cabling, switch ports, power, space, and installation time compared with any other offering.

Xirrus is a privately-held company headquartered in Thousand Oaks, California. For more information, please visit www.xirrus.com.

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