KEYBOARD TOWN PALS SOFTWARE
(WWW.KEYBOARDTOWNPALS.COM)

Children aged 7 to 12 learn to type on a computer keyboard with this keyboarding software. The KTP software uses association and memory techniques conveyed through stories told by live puppets. The software has also shown significant results with children with special needs.
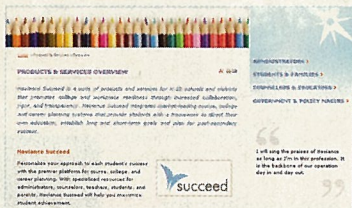**Price:** $29.95 (Web-based edition); $39.95 (home edition)
Category: keyboarding

MULTIMEDIA LEARNING SUITE SPANISH
(WWW.MEMORYLIFTER.COM)

LearnLift, the makers of MemoryLifter, the flash-card freeware program, have just released the Multimedia Learning Suite: Spanish and ten new Spanish learning modules for the iPhone and the iPod touch. At the heart of the suite is the MemoryLifter stick, which features a portable version of the MemoryLifter study software and more than 3,500 multimedia flash cards that include text, images and audio recordings. The package also includes complementary learning aids, such as a verb wheel for practicing and looking up Spanish irregular verb forms, a printed study guide, a booklet on effective learning tips, and MP3 audiobooks.
Price: $89.95 (educational discounts available)
Category: foreign language

NAVIANCE SUCCEED
(WWW.NAVIANCE.COM)

This suite of solutions and services for schools promotes college and workplace readiness. With Naviance Succeed, students create their own path to academic and personal success through the use of course-, college-, and career-planning systems. The solutions also offer analytics designed to help administrators measure meaningful long-term outcomes about their students, including enrollment and retention rates as well as college-admittance numbers.
Price: Contact the company for pricing.
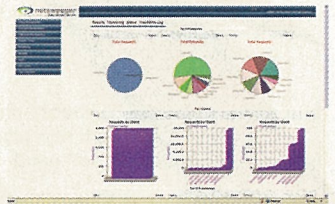**Category:** college and work prep

NETSWEEPER OS 2.6.27 INSTALLATION CD
(WWW.NETSWEEPER.COM)

The Netsweeper OS 2.6.27 Installation CD adds significant features. For example, school authorities or businesses can now create a custom deny page for each URL category, group, or policy that redirects the user to a predefined URL. Netsweeper's URL database will soon update automatically cycle every five minutes. Users now can use the LDAP protocol eDirectory group and user information, so that changes to their eDirectory management system automatically update the Netsweeper user and group database.
Price: Contact the company for pricing.
Category: security

NORTHCENTRAL UNIVERSITY
(WWW.NCU.EDU)

Northcentral University's online programs have been rated a "2009 Best Buy" by Get. Educated.com, a 20-year-old national consumer group that evaluates and ranks online colleges for cost and accreditation. According to Dr. Barnaby B. Barratt, provost of the 100 percent online university, the programs leading to Northcentral's bachelor's degree in business administration were ranked in the top third of a field of 83 colleges evaluated by GetEducated.com. The 2009 rankings will stand through July 2011, when the results of a new evaluation will be released.
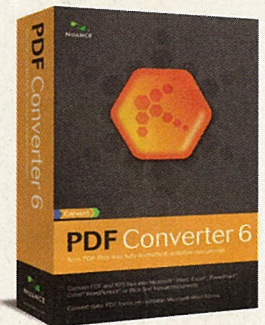**Price:** n/a
Category: online college

NUANCE PDF CONVERTER PROFESSIONAL 6
(WWW.NUANCE.COM)

This program provides all the features that schools need to create, edit, convert, and share PDF files. Nuance PDF Converter Professional allows users to scan paper documents directly to PDF. Nuance has also integrated Microsoft SharePoint and ECM connectivity directly into the Enterprise version of the product, making content management and discovery easier.
Price: $99.99 for individual users
Category: productivity

OPENLOOP GRADEBOOK API
(WWW.SCHOOLOOP.COM)

School Loop offers a set of Web-based services that let K-12 districts exchange data with subsystems in School Loop. OpenLoop Gradebook API allows assessment and grade-book systems to pull assignment and roster information from School Loop, then write scores into the grade book in School Loop. This process lets School Loop display the results to parents, students, and education teams inside the school.
Price: free
Category: communication software