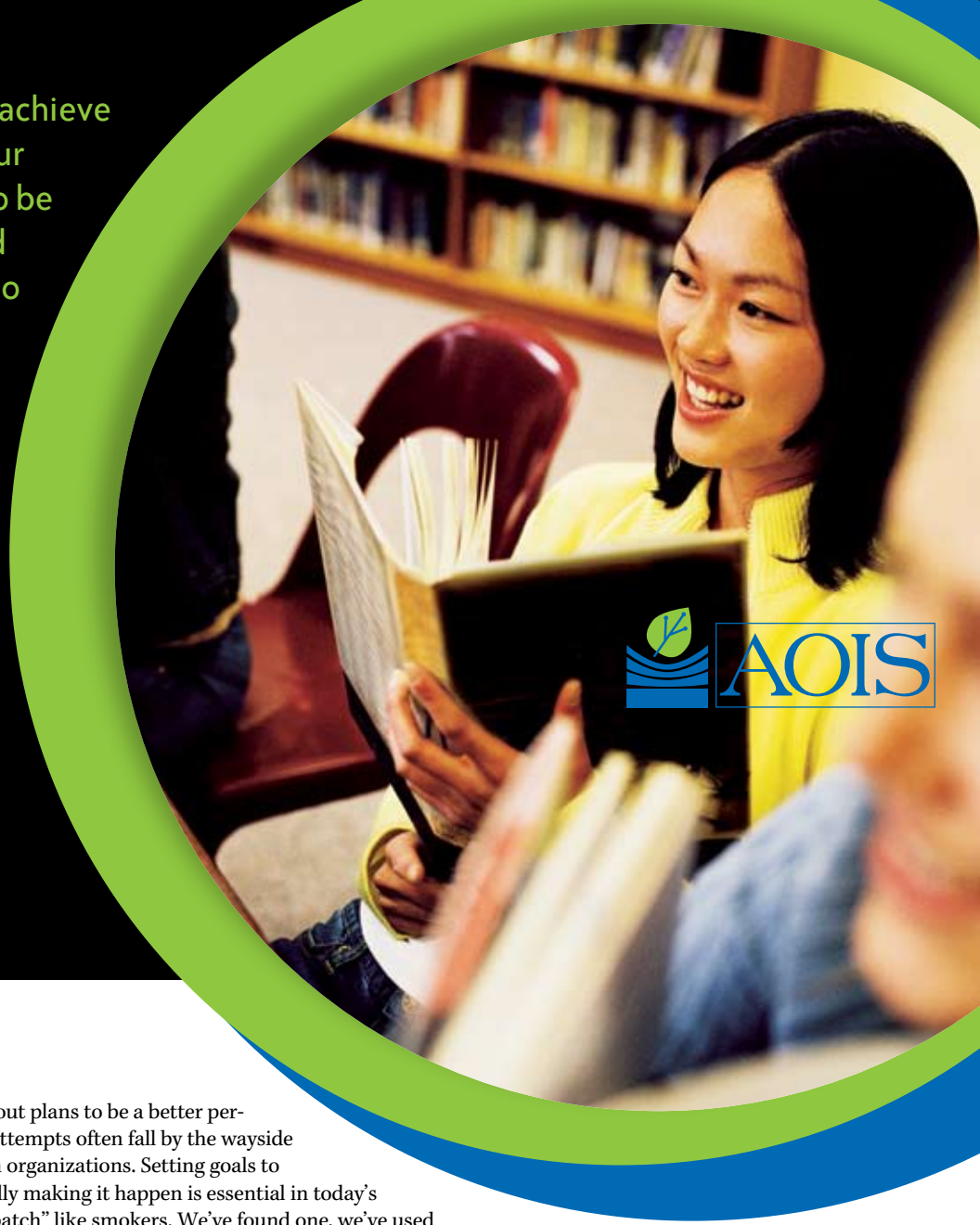


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Helping children to achieve their potential is your job—helping you to be more organized and have more time to do it, is ours.



## A New Service

With the beginning of a new year, we all think about plans to be a better person, get better results, correct bad habits. These attempts often fall by the wayside within a few weeks. The same thing happens with organizations. Setting goals to accomplish various objectives is a way of life. Really making it happen is essential in today's environment. An organization may also need a "patch" like smokers. We've found one, we've used it and we've gotten results. Even better, is that we've moved into year two of a three year strategic plan with little administrative effort.

Corporate Computer is now able to offer this tool to its network of friends and clients. It is the Strategic Achievement Index. This tool takes the measurable objectives from your strategic plan, puts them in a format that recognizes priorities, and tracks the results, quarter-to-quarter, year-to-year, and keeps them visible; not stuck on the shelf. It is a tool that aligns the organization Board of Directors with management and the rest of the team.

Our initial work on the strategic plan was facilitated by our partner P3HR Consulting and Services. Using their human resource experience and our expertise with SharePoint software we have created a service offering that will be of true value to our clients and friends. This tool has been used in a number of settings with various levels of management expertise and the results have been positive each time.

Getting started now, is the key. Then let the support mechanisms get you focused, keep you aligned and allow you to take credit for a job well done. Sounds easy—as all sales pitches do, but in this case we speak from experience. If you want to learn more contact: Larry Brannan (616) 988.3202.

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Make this the year you "get it under control!"

If you want to start your next school year firmly in control of a proven oversight program that documents every compliance action, provides an easy-to-use user interface and has been audited by multiple State Auditor Generals and declared a "Gold Standard" call us now.

How many times have you heard State politicians call for "more charter school oversight"? It's easy to continually call for more oversight—it's much harder to prove your actions are consistent, measured and applied equally to all schools.

## Compliance Oversight Services

One of the services that Corporate Computer (CC) provides to its AOIS clients (authorizers, sponsors and educational management organizations) is Indexing Services. When a document is submitted to AOIS, it is verified by an Indexer at CC and the necessary metadata is added to the document and filed into AOIS. AOIS Indexers build strong relationships with AOIS users as they communicate with them on a daily basis. Another valuable service that CC provides is Compliance Oversight. AOIS is an oversight and accountability information system and in order to make sure that each Charter School stays in compliance, it is necessary to have a dedicated Compliance Officer(s).

CC Indexers have worked with and learned from some of the most efficient and knowledgeable Compliance Officers



and now have the expertise to provide the necessary resources to keep schools in compliance. CC

Indexers have the ability to help oversee and manage AOIS compliance related issues ensuring that the schools remain in compliance with required documentation. In addition, we can train current Compliance Officers at the authorizing organization and provide them with the necessary resources to keep their schools in compliance at all times.

If you are interested in learning more about CC's Compliance Oversight Services, please contact Stephanie Misner at 616-988-3200.

## Why AOIS?

### Compliance

AOIS tracks the compliance status of each school authorized, and reports this instantly in a graphical interface that is easy to use.

### Electronic Filing

AOIS is also an electronic filing system, so every document associated with schools is immediately available and can be accessed from any location.

### Workflow

AOIS also incorporates a workflow system that informs employees when it is time to perform a specific task, and flows documents from employee to employee electronically, ensuring the work is done consistently among all schools.

### Performance

AOIS also includes a performance module that tracks and reports student and school achievement.

## Brighton, Colorado School District 27J

After authorizing charter schools for 10 years, Brighton School District (BSD) 27J made the decision to implement AOIS to help manage their overwhelming amount of documents and timelines. AOIS has allowed BSD 27J to adapt to the many contract requirements between them and their schools. Sam Sakurada, Charter Liaison at BSD 27J, stated that "all documents and timelines are now easier to track and access through AOIS. We have also used the system to track all of the necessary documents required for a corrective action plan."

## AOIS Wiki Status

At the NACSA 2008 conference, Corporate Computer (CC) held our very first AOIS Users Group meeting where we presented the idea of introducing a Wiki into AOIS. A Wiki is a website that a user can edit and can be used as a means of communication and as a collaboration tool. Currently, we are working on using SharePoint 2007 as a means for bringing this innovative and user friendly resource to AOIS. Once implemented, all current AOIS users will be able to access the Wiki using their AOIS username and password. Therefore, it will be accessible to a defined group.

We are envisioning the Wiki to be used as a resource to allow open communication between CC, authorizing organizations and school staff. In addition, the Wiki can also be used as a collaboration tool to introduce new ideas. The usages for the Wiki appear to be endless and we are excited to introduce this feature to our AOIS community. Stay tuned!



Other Interesting Things Happening at CC

## Corporate Computer Achieves Gold Certification

We are excited to announce that effective January 8, 2009 Corporate Computer, Inc. has been notified from Microsoft that we have met all requirements to achieve Gold Certified Partner status. Several of our clients were contacted by Microsoft regarding projects we have completed for them. This brand signifies that our company is:

- Reliable
- Experienced
- Leading-edge
- Endorsed by Microsoft

**Microsoft**  
**GOLD CERTIFIED**  
Partner

Since AOIS runs using Microsoft technologies as its core, this certification assures our clients that we will continue to provide innovative solutions for the charter school world using all the resources of Microsoft.



## CC Datacenter Upgrades Provide Better Service for Clients

For the last few months Corporate Computer's IT staff has been working hard on upgrading CC's world class datacenter. The upgrades have improved network performance for all clients and decreased the amount of time it takes the IT staff to manage the datacenter on a daily basis.

Datacenter upgrades from 2008 include:

- Bonded T-1 access to the internet with automatic fail-over capability using Azulstar WiMax technology
- Cisco firewall and router upgrades
- Updated anti-virus software
- Sony AIT5 tape library, providing higher capacity and backup speed

Datacenter upgrades planned for 2009:

- Additional tape drive for the tape library
- Updated backup software
- New database and terminal service servers for AOIS

Our staff is committed in achieving 99.99% availability for client access. If a client encounters any technical problems they can contact the IT staff directly either via phone or email at [support@corpcomp.com](mailto:support@corpcomp.com) and the staff will respond immediately.

For additional information on datacenter upgrades or technical support please contact David Schroeter at (616) 988-3222 or email [support@corpcomp.com](mailto:support@corpcomp.com).

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