

2009 YES Y50K Entrepreneurship Competition Finalists

AccuScholar

AccuScholar provides high value Web 2.0 applications for primary and secondary schools. With a focus on user-friendly design and customer support, AccuScholar fulfills the currently unmet need for easy-to-use school management software. Primarily targeted at school administrators, AccuScholar makes managing school data simple. Teachers and students also love the easy access to information that AccuScholar provides. Currently, AccuScholar offers modules for conference scheduling, textbook inventory, and club management.

Glaumetrix

Glaumetrix is developing an implantable intraocular pressure sensor for improved management of glaucoma. Elevated intraocular pressure is the only parameter used to treat the disease today. There are many reasons why IOP measurements taken in the office may lead the physician to erroneously conclude that the IOP is well-controlled. Rather than relying on a handful of isolated data points, with this device, physicians could review a data stream of patients' IOP to optimize glaucoma management.

Grassland Meats

Grassland Meats will sell grass-finished beef to food distributors and wholesalers. The Company will process meat by operating USDA certified mobile slaughter units in rural ranching towns in the United States. Competitors have limited, seasonal supply and are geographically isolated, selling primarily through farmers' markets in small quantities. The Company will be uniquely positioned to pool supply from numerous small beef producers, enjoying economies of scale while maintaining artisan-level quality.

SportPass

SportPass will sell rights to purchase tickets to premium sporting events through its website. Rights will be to buy tickets for tournament soccer matches (for specific teams). Soccer fans will buy the rights in advance, and at less than the face value of the ticket. The SportPass will be valid if their team makes it to a specific stage of the tournament and will expire if such team does not advance.

UnVOXT Mobile

On the road to universal, free voice and data access, the few remaining barriers are often carrier-imposed. UnVOXT brings free or affordable unified communications to the world's hands, even where conventional carriers don't (or won't) reach. UnVOXT is what the metropolitan mesh and the developing world never knew they had in common – but would love to know.

WakeSmart

WakeSmart has developed a cell phone application that monitors the user's sleep cycles using a Bluetooth wristband accessory, to wake the user at the optimal time, whether from a full night's sleep or a nap, leaving them feeling refreshed and ready to start their day.

