

Technology Leaders Give Back to Community at 2014 NACR Conference in Orlando

Partners of NACR and ConvergeOne Donate iPads to Tangelo Park Elementary School

EAGAN, Minn., March 11, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- As the sweet tones of the [Tangelo Park Elementary School](#) chorus melted into the air, the students performing as special guests at a conference in Orlando, FL, were in for a BIG surprise: the gift of 55 new iPad Minis that will help Tangelo advance its technology use and put more tools in the hands of kids who attend the A-rated school.

The iPads were presented to school representatives and the chorus—about 40 students from grades 2 through 5—during the general session of the 2014 NACR National Sales Conference, held February 26-28 at Rosen Shingle Creek in Orlando. A ConvergeOne company, [NACR](#) is a leading global integrator of best-in-class communications solutions and services. The company works closely with other technology innovators to integrate the latest hardware, software, and applications into end-to-end multivendor solutions for diverse markets.



The gift of iPad Minis was made possible through the generosity of NACR technology partners including these leading hardware companies, software vendors, and application providers:

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In addition, associates from NACR and ConvergeOne also contributed to the "iPads for Tangelo Park" project.

"Since we began holding the NACR conference at Rosen Shingle Creek in 2013, NACR, ConvergeOne, and our partners have been inspired to use it as an opportunity to thank the community for welcoming us so warmly, and to give back in a meaningful way," according to John F. Lyons, CEO and President of NACR. "It seems natural to follow the great example of Rosen Hotels and Resorts Founder and President, Harris Rosen, who is renowned for his commitment to social responsibility and community outreach."

Rosen's philanthropy includes a commitment to the [Tangelo Park Program](#), which provides free preschool to all 2-, 3-, and 4-year olds who live in the Tangelo Park neighborhood. In addition, he provides an all-expense paid education for those who reside in the neighborhood and are accepted to vocational school, community college, junior college, or a four-year public college in Florida. Thus far, approximately 190 youngsters who reside in the

neighborhood have been provided full college scholarships.

"This year, NACR's partners and our associates were honored to once again help Tangelo Park Elementary School and its community encourage and reward student excellence," said Lyons. In 2013, the partners donated 50 bicycles and bike helmets to be awarded to top-performing students at Tangelo. For 2014, the school requested iPad Minis, to be made available for general use by students.

With approximately 350 students pre-kindergarten through grade 5, Tangelo Park Elementary is a nationally recognized Title 1 school in southwestern Orange County, FL. The federally funded Title 1 program offers financial assistance to schools where 75% or more of students are eligible for free or reduced-cost lunch, providing supplemental services such as teachers, computers, software, paraprofessionals, and tutoring.

Although a large percentage of families in the Tangelo Park community are low income and about 12% of the school's students are homeless, the school has been "A" rated for six of the past seven years. In addition, Tangelo Park has been recognized as a "Distinguished School" at the National Title I Conference.

At the 2014 NACR National Sales Conference, the donation of iPad Minis was accepted by Mrs. Lakeitha Black, Curriculum Resources Teacher, on behalf of Ms. Diondra Woodard, Principal, and the students of Tangelo Park Elementary School. The school chorus members who were there to perform, under the musical direction of Mrs. Patti Jo Church-Houle, were also part of the gift presentation. Afterwards, the chorus and school representatives were treated to a special reception at the hotel, with refreshments and the chance to get to know some of the NACR partners and associates in attendance.

The annual conference serves as a venue in which NACR and the other ConvergeOne companies meet to attend educational sessions, share innovations, and develop strategies for meeting customer needs. In addition to hosting national account managers (NAMs), design specialists, and executives, the conference includes partners who provide technologies that complement and enhance the ConvergeOne companies' solutions.

"Once again, I am extremely grateful to all our partners who committed to this project, as well as proud of the NACR and ConvergeOne associates who asked to be a part of it," said Lyons. "Everyone agrees this is the best part of our conference—so, we all look forward to returning next year and continuing to lend our support and encouragement to the wonderful students, faculty, and staff of Tangelo Park Elementary School."

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