

## Cumberland School Project Brief – November 2007

### How Axess Systems enabled Cumberland School to turn homework into home working

#### *Introducing a new initiative to deliver applications to pupils and staff wherever they are.*

Cumberland School, a Newham-based secondary school, selected Citrix technology from Axess Systems to deliver educational tools and applications to pupils and staff whether working from home, at school or from other remote connections, such as the local library. This project will help to familiarise the school's 1,250 pupils and staff with using a virtual learning environment.

The Citrix Presentation Server™ and Citrix Access Gateway™ licenses that the school has purchased will provide greater productivity and flexibility by delivering applications, such as Microsoft Word, Excel and Publisher.

Teachers will be able to prepare for classes on the network while pupils will be able to complete homework assignments and revise regardless of their location. Furthermore, Cumberland School will be able to utilise existing investments in tablet PCs, laptops and PDAs using Citrix across its wireless network.

Not only will the teachers and pupils benefit on a day-to-day basis, but as a Specialist Sports College, with an offsite building for track and field facilities, the school will be able to extend the learning environment to this site too.

Providing teachers and pupils with flexible access often comes at the expense of security. But by selecting Citrix, Cumberland School doesn't have to compromise on security either.

Will Lingard, sales manager at Axess Systems commented: "It really is a case of bringing the benefits of flexible working practices into the educational environment and is great example of how a virtual learning environment can work to support the entire school community."

"Schools today need learning applications for pupils that are immediately accessible, efficient and secure," added Will, "When these applications are held centrally, it is easier to implement upgrades and costs are contained as the network grows."

#### **About Citrix Presentation Server**

Citrix Presentation Server is the de-facto standard for delivering Windows applications at the lowest cost—to any user, anywhere. It offers both application virtualisation and application streaming delivery methods to enable the best access experience for any user, with any device, working over any network. By centralising applications and data in secure data centres, IT can reduce costs of management and support, increase data security, and facilitate business continuity. Presentation Server allows IT to deliver applications as a service—providing on demand access to users, while affording IT the flexibility to leverage future application architectures.

