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Academic and Performance Center at Curry College Featured in Architectural Portfolio Honoring Design Excellence

Chelsea, MA, January 3, 2008 – The Architectural Team, Inc. and Curry College announce that the Academic and Performance Center at Curry College has been selected for publication in Penton Media's *American School & University®* (AS&U) 2007 Architectural Portfolio. The project is featured in the November 2007 edition of the magazine and also on the Web at www.SchoolDesigns.com. An annual competition honoring education design excellence, the Architectural Portfolio spotlights designs that represent some of the most effective learning environments in America.

Designed by The Architectural Team, Inc. of Chelsea, MA, the Curry College Academic and Performance Center serves a broad range of academic and student programming needs. It was built under an ambitious fast-track schedule; design started in November 2005 and construction was completed in August 2006. Connected to the Levin Library in the Academic Quadrangle of the North Campus, the new three-story, 30,000 square-foot building has eight classrooms, including an amphitheatre-style lecture hall and a stock trading classroom, faculty office suites, a student lounge, conference and breakout meeting rooms, and a two-story atrium. In addition, the building includes a 229-seat multi-purpose auditorium, the first dedicated performance space for Curry College students. Suffolk Construction Company, Inc. was the general contractor.

A jury of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Committee on Architecture for Education members and education administrators selected 234 projects for publication. Featured designs were selected based on their consideration of security, student safety, and plan for technology, while incorporating aesthetics, technology and function to work together at a cost that makes sense over the life of the building.

About The Architectural Team, Inc.

Founded in 1971, The Architectural Team, Inc. (TAT) is a 60-person architectural firm that has successfully grown through its design excellence and commitment to responsive and collaborative client relationships. TAT has developed a portfolio of distinctive design solutions, which includes a broad range of building types and programs, and has earned the firm more than 60 awards for design excellence. These include the new construction of large urban mixed-use developments, residential, commercial, hospitality, recreational, and academic facilities, as well as a national reputation in the area of historic preservation and adaptive reuse. Located on the water on Admiral's Hill in Chelsea, Massachusetts, The Architectural Team's office occupies the restored historic Commandant's House originally built in the 1840s, on the grounds of the former Chelsea Naval Hospital site. For more information please go to www.architecturalteam.com

About Curry College:

Founded in 1879, Curry College is a 128-year old, private, four-year, liberal arts institution located on 137 acres in Milton, MA. Curry extends its educational programs to continuing education branch campuses in Plymouth and Worcester. Curry offers 20 undergraduate degrees as well as graduate degrees in business, education and criminal justice, with a combined enrollment of approximately 4,100 students. The student body consists of approximately 2,000 traditional undergraduate students, 1,650 continuing education and 450 graduate students. Curry College students come from 40 states and 32 countries. Over 1,450 of its students reside on the Curry campus. The largest majors are Business Management, Communication, Nursing, Criminal Justice and Education. The College offers a wide array of extra-curricular activities ranging from 13 NCAA division III athletic teams to an outstanding theatre program.

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