

# SSI Guardian Adds ReadyOp(TM) to Its Solutions Offering

Company Integrates Innovative Communications and Event Planning Platform as a Critical Resource for Schools' Safety and Security Initiatives

BOCA RATON, FL -- (Marketwired) -- 02/24/16 -- SSI Guardian, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of School Specialty, Inc. (OTCQB: SCOO), announced today the addition of ReadyOp™, a leading emergency management command & control radio interoperability platform, as a part of its security solutions offering.

ReadyOp Communications Inc. is a subsidiary of Cleartronic, Inc. (OTC PINK: CLRI), which provides government agencies, schools, hospitals, first responders, corporations and airports with multiple communication capabilities and event planning options in a secure, easy to use web based platform. The ReadyOp platform is designed to support daily operations, special event planning, incident management and emergency response and recovery. This includes structuring and storing operational and event plans, rosters and personnel; maintaining current listings of available assets; tailoring visual displays to organize event teams including roles and responsibilities; communicating quickly and securely with personnel by cell phone, push-to-talk (PTT), voice, radio, video, text message and email; adjusting personnel, roles and tasks as necessary and "on the fly;" completion of actions/tasks documented with time and date; etc.

Commenting on today's news, Michael A. Yorio, President of SSI Guardian stated, "ReadyOp is a natural fit for our comprehensive approach to school safety and security. School administrators can now easily integrate planning, response and critical communications with their first responders, many of which already use this system."

<u>SSI Guardian</u> continues to set the new standard in safe school training through its evidenced-based advanced training curriculum that empowers educators and staff with best practices for security that not only prepares them for violent threats but also teaches valuable prevention and mitigation strategies. The program issues an accredited continuing education unit (<u>CEU</u>) from North Carolina State University, making it truly one of a kind.

"I attended a SSI Guardian advanced training session at the University of Colorado Colorado Springs and was tremendously impressed by the advanced curriculum and expert instruction the program offers. There is no better entity to deliver this training than School Specialty, based on their long-standing history and outstanding experience serving the education community," said Marc Moore, President and CEO of ReadyOp. "Now more than ever, schools, colleges and universities need an integrated planning, training and communications process that best prepares them for dealing with emergencies. SSI Guardian's planning, education and training program for schools, when combined with the ReadyOp for plan access, tasking and communications platform, is a powerful solution."

Mr. Yorio continued, "We look forward to this strategic partnership between SSI Guardian and ReadyOp bringing even greater benefit and value to America's schools. We recognize that crucial to keeping our children and teachers safe are the innovative programs and tools that help them to do so, which is why SSI Guardian is committed to advancing its offerings, leveraging collaborative initiatives that integrate and expand much needed capabilities and resources."

#### About Cleartronic, Inc.

<u>Cleartronic, Inc.</u> (OTC PINK: CLRI) is a technology holding company that creates and acquires operating subsidiaries to develop, manufacture and sell products, services and integrated systems to government agencies and business enterprises. ReadyOp™ is a secure, web-based platform providing organizations with a single site for planning, response, communications and documentation of personnel, tasks, assets and activities. Cleartronic currently has two operating subsidiaries, ReadyOp Communications, Inc. and VoiceInterop, Inc. For information, visit www.cleartronic.com.

### About School Specialty, Inc.

<u>School Specialty, Inc.</u> is a leading distributor of innovative and proprietary products, programs and services to the education marketplace. The Company designs, develops, and provides educators with the latest and very best school supplies, furniture and both curriculum and supplemental learning resources. Working in collaboration with educators, School Specialty reaches beyond the scope of textbooks to help teachers, guidance counselors and school administrators ensure that every student reaches his or her full potential. For more information about School Specialty, visit <u>www.schoolspecialty.com</u>.

For information on SSI Guardian, visit www.guardianprotect.com.

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