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The major project for NORA in 2007 is a major revamping of its education site. Our goal is to make www.noraed.org the center of the training universe. We began work on this project last fall, and are moving through the final elements of our effort.

First, we want to have an easy place for technicians to access their records. We want an easy spot for them to see the status of their certification, as well as all of the classes they have taken. We also intend to enhance that site by providing an analysis of the test, so the technicians after taking the exam can see what areas they need extra work in.

Second, we want the instructors to be able to use the site more creatively. First, they should be able to review how their class did, how each student did, and the questions that were missed. This will enable the instructor to improve his performance in the class and work in areas which he may not be putting enough focus on. Additionally, we want to link up the technician records, so that when classes are in an area, that local technicians receive notification. Further, we want the technician to be able to search for classes from his current records.

We also want to allow instructors to track their students on our webpage. We want anyone who has taught a student to be able to access that student. That will allow for continuing education opportunities or technical updates.

Third, we want the website to be a place where education and testing can be accomplished. The heating oil industry has a wide footprint, and it is often difficult for employees to travel. NORA will be working to establish