Welcome

2026 Keystone State Skyward Users Group Conference

On behalf of the Skyward Keystone State User Group Steering Committee, I welcome you to the Keystone State Skyward Users Group Conference! We are excited to facilitate you all coming together to network, enhance your Skyward knowledge, and share your experiences.

This conference is planned by Skyward users from across Pennsylvania to enhance your Skyward product knowledge, allow you to share your understanding, and provide networking opportunities. We are confident that the planned presentations and roundtables will provide you with empowering insights as a Skyward user.

One of the steering committee's goals is to maintain a state-specific network of Skyward users that support each other and share knowledge. As someone who has attended for the last 10+ years, I can personally tell you that this conference is consistently worthwhile. As many of your are transitioning to Qmlativ, I hope this conference can help ease your stress and provide connections with other users who can help you and your district through the process. There's an impressive depth of experience that will be gathered at this event; be sure to make the most of it!

Connecting with the steering committee is a good starting place. Besides the planned activities, look for a Steering Committee member and introduce yourself! We've made it easy to spot us: we all wear the same shirt and have a red steering committee ribbon attached to the bottom of our name tag. Don't be shy! Let us know how we can help you. You can contact the committee anytime via email at SkywardKSUG@gmail.com or contact me directly at my office phone number 717-527-1580.

To help things go smoothly, please review the information below detailing our time here together. Save the dates for our next user group meeting on **November 2-3, 2027 at IU13 in Lancaster, PA!** Check our webpage, http://www.paskyward.com, for updates. We hope to see you again in a year and a half and ask that you invite a friend, perhaps someone who has not yet attended a Skyward Keystone State Users Group Meeting.

Best regards,

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Keystone State Skyward Users Group

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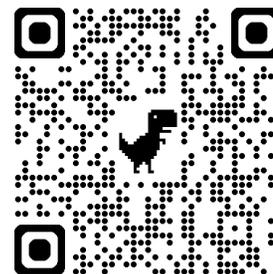
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At A Glance

Walk-in one-on-one Q-and-A opportunities

Student and school business Skyward product specialists will be on hand, stationed in the African Ballroom Suite 20 for walk-in, first-come-first-serve, question-and-answer opportunities. One-on-one time will be available during all sessions. One-on-one sessions are limited to 25 minutes. These one-on-one meetings should not be used for support issues.

District Led Sessions

We are happy to offer District led sessions that feature fellow Skyward users demonstrating how their district is using Skyward and Skyward partners. If you are interested in showcasing your Skyward skills and knowledge in exchange for free conference registration, we'd love to invite you to present a session next year. Please watch your email during the fall of next year soliciting proposals for conference sessions.

Tuesday Evening Event

Join us for a fun "Backyard games" event in the African Ballroom beginning at 5:00PM. We ll have a variety of games set up, including corn hole, ladder ball, connect four, and indoor axe throwing! Several hot hors d'oeuvre stations will be available, as well as a "charge" bar (Kalahari is generally cash-less). Come unwind, enjoy some food and drink, and get to know your fellow Skyward users and Skyward staff!

Conference Feedback = $100 Amazon Gift Card

A week or so from now, you will receive an email asking you to complete a conference survey. Your feedback is important and is used by the committee to plan subsequent conferences. Everyone who completes the conference feedback survey will be entered into a drawing for a $100 Amazon gift card. Please take the time to let us know what you liked and didn't like. We welcome any suggestions and constructive feedback!

Snack Break

A snack break will be provided Tuesday afternoon in the Kilimanjaro Lounge. Come enjoy "State Fair Favorites" including pretzel bites, popcorn, fried oreos, warm funnel cakes, and more! Fuel up for your afternoon sessions!

Meals

A buffet-style lunch is provided both days and a buffet breakfast on Wednesday. For lunch, please be seated and wait for staff to dismiss you to the buffet line. All meals are served in the Grand Ballroom.

Vendors

We appreciate and thank our participating vendors. Vendor sponsorship helps keep conference registration fees low. Please visit the vendor tables to see what they can do for your district.

Access to Presentations

If you would like to access session presentations, they are available using the following directions (based on your Skyward account, not the topic):

Qmlativ users: https://bit.ly/KSUG25QDocs

SMS 2.0 Users: https: bit.ly KS   SMSDocs

Tuesday, March 30, 2026

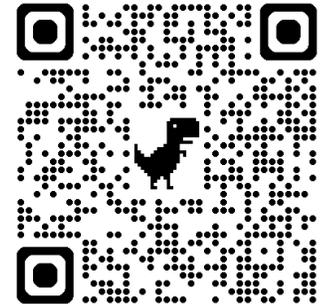|	Kilimanjaro Suite 4	Kilimanjaro Suite 3	Kilimanjaro Suite 10	Kilimanjaro Suite 9	Kilimanjaro Suite 6	Kilimanjaro Suite 5	Kilimanjaro Suite 8	Kilimanjaro Suite 7	African Ballroom Suite 20	African Ballroom Suite 90
Session # 1 10:40 AM - 11:30 AM	Current Year Scheduling: Common Scheduling Reports & Alternatives	Attendance: Setup Review & Best Practices	Food Service: Verification Selection & Direct Certification Process	S2Q Training Database Review amd SMS Cleanup	S2Q Migration: Data Clean Up Checklist for Finance	Payroll: Exploring Useful Features	General: Navigation Qmlativ	Time Tracking: Employee Groups	New Features & Roadmap - Qmlativ Student	One on One Q&A
11:35 AM - 12:00 PM	Opening Remarks									
12:00 PM - 12:50 PM	Lunch: STAFF WILL DISMISS EACH TABLE									
Session # 2 1:00 PM - 1:50 PM	Current Year Scheduling: Tips & Best Practices	Attendance: Monitoring & Letters	Customization: Creating Fields to Use in Online Forms & List Screens	S2Q Security: Setup Overview for Student	S2Q Cleanup & What to do After Go Live	Payroll: Reissue Checks vs Void & Reissue	Budgetary: Using the Credit Card Feature	Time Tracking: Schedules	Parent Square	One on One Q&A
Session # 3 2:00 PM - 2:50 PM	General: Unlock the Power of Your Qmlativ Dashboard	Attendance: Absence Occurrence Feature & More	Customization: Custom Projects - Beginner	Grading: Student Profile - A Grading Journey	S2Q Migration: Data Clean Up Checklist for HR	Payroll: Troubleshooting - Why Isn't the Amount Correct?	Shaping the Future of Vendor Management in Qmlativ	Imports: 3rd Party - HR/Payroll	Bentek	One on One Q&A
Session # 4 3:00 PM - 3:50 PM	Graduation Planning: Getting Started	Discipline: Reports	Customization: Personalizing the Experience for My District	Grading: Transfer Courses	S2Q Payroll: Pay Schedules – What & Why Are They Needed	Payroll: Utilizing Defaults	Reporting: Data Mining - Finance	Process Management: A Beginner's Guide	School Technologies	One on One Q&A
Session # 5 4:00 PM - 4:50 PM	Family Access: Setup & customize Experience	Discipline: Using Browses to your Advantage	Gradebook: Overview	MTSS: Overview - Observations, Referrals, & Interventions	S2Q Business: Expectations for Training and Go Live	Reporting: Data Mining - HR	Message Center: Notifications - Setup & User Preferences	Customization: Custom Projects - Beginner	New Features & Roadmap - Qmlativ Business	One on One Q&A
5:00 PM - Till	Networking Event									

	All Users	Student State Reporting	Student - Qmlativ	S2Q Business Migration Prep	Payroll - Qmlativ	Finance - Qmlativ	HR - Qmlativ	Vendor	District Led

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Wednesday, April 1, 2026

	Kilimanjaro Suite 4	Kilimanjaro Suite 3	Kilimanjaro Suite 10	Kilimanjaro Suite 9	Kilimanjaro Suite 6	Kilimanjaro Suite 5	Kilimanjaro Suite 8	Kilimanjaro Suite 7	African Ballroom Suite 20	African Ballroom Suite 90
Session # 6 9:00 AM - 9:50 AM	Import Designer: Beginning Steps on Designing a New Import	Fee Management: Utilities & Year End Considerations	Qmlativ PIMS Overview	Future Year Scheduling: Building a Master Schedule	Comparison FIN: Accounts Payable: Invoice Entry/AP Run (SMS & Q)	Time Off: Settings & Codes Overview	Budgetary: Preparing for the New Fiscal Year	Position: Organization Charts	NSE Part 1	One on One Q&A
Session # 7 10:00 AM - 10:50 AM	General Tips & Tricks New Users	DistrictPulse	Spec Ed, Discipline and Attendance - Accurate Data Entry	Future Year Scheduling: Different Ways to Add Student Course Requests	ComparisonHR: Employee Management (SMS) and Position (Q)	Time Off & Payroll	Streamlining Invoice Processing in Qmlativ	Position: How Do Positions & Assignments Interact with Calendars?	NSE Part 2	One on One Q&A
Session # 8 11:00 AM - 11:50 AM	Import Designer: Updating Existing Records with Ease	Grading: Report Card Time!	Special Ed: Introduction	Future Scheduling: Utilizing Course Requests to Analyze Course Master	ComparisonHR: Payroll Comparison (SMS & Q)	Time Off: Advanced Troubleshooting	Budgetary: Using Expense Reimbursements	Position: Using Utilities	RevTrak	One on One Q&A
12:00 PM - 12:50 PM	Lunch STAFF WILL DISMISS EACH TABLE									
Session # 9 1:00 PM - 1:50 PM	Report Manager: Kickstart Your Reporting Adventure	Grading: Honor Roll, Rank & Reports	Student Services: Special Education, Section 504, and more	Future Year Scheduling: Run Analysis / Conflict Resolution	Comparison HR: Time Off Processing (SMS & Q)	Staff Planning: Setup	Budgetary: Account Module Reports	Position: Preparing for the New Year	Returning Verification	One on One Q&A
Session # 10 2:00 PM - 2:50 PM	MTSS: Watchlists - Using Data Points in the System	Graduation Planning: Troubleshooting & Maintenance	General: Year End - What? Why? When?	New Feature Deep Dive: Connecting Forms to Students: A New Level of Customization and Accuracy	Comparison HR: True Time (SMS) & Time Tracking (Q) Setup & Processing	Online Forms: Gathering Employee Information	Imports: 3rd Party - Finance	Reporting: Processing Lists - Reimagined!	Red Rover	One on One Q&A

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Tuesday, March 30, 2026

Time	Description	Location
9:30 am – 10:30 am	Registration and Vendor time	
10:40 am – 11:30 pm	Session 1	See Map
11:35 am – 12 pm	Opening Remarks	African Ballroom 30-80
12 pm – 12:50 pm	Lunch STAFF WILL DISMISS EACH TABLE	African Ballroom 30-80
1 pm – 1:50 pm	Session 2	See Map
2 pm – 2:50 pm	Session 3	See Map
3 pm – 3:50 pm	Session 4	See Map
4 pm – 4:50 pm	Session 5	See Map
5 pm – 7 pm	Backyard Games Evening Event	African Ballroom 30-80

Snack Break
2:45-3:15PM - Kilimanjaro Lounge

Wednesday, April 1, 2026

Time	Description	Location
8 am – 8:40 am	Registration, Continental Breakfast & Vendor time	Kilimanjaro Lounge, Registration 1 and 2, African Ballroom 30-80
8:40 am – 8:50 am	Opening General Session	African Ballroom 30-80
9 am – 9:50 am	Session 6	See Map
10 am – 10:50 am	Session 7	See Map
11 am – 11:50 am	Session 8	See Map
12 pm – 12:50 pm	Lunch STAFF WILL DISMISS EACH TABLE	African Ballroom 30-80
1 pm – 1:50 pm	Session 9	See Map
2:00 pm – 2:50 pm	Session 10	See Map
Everything is complete once session 10 ends. Thank you for attending!		

Kalahari Conference Center Map

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Breakout Sessions
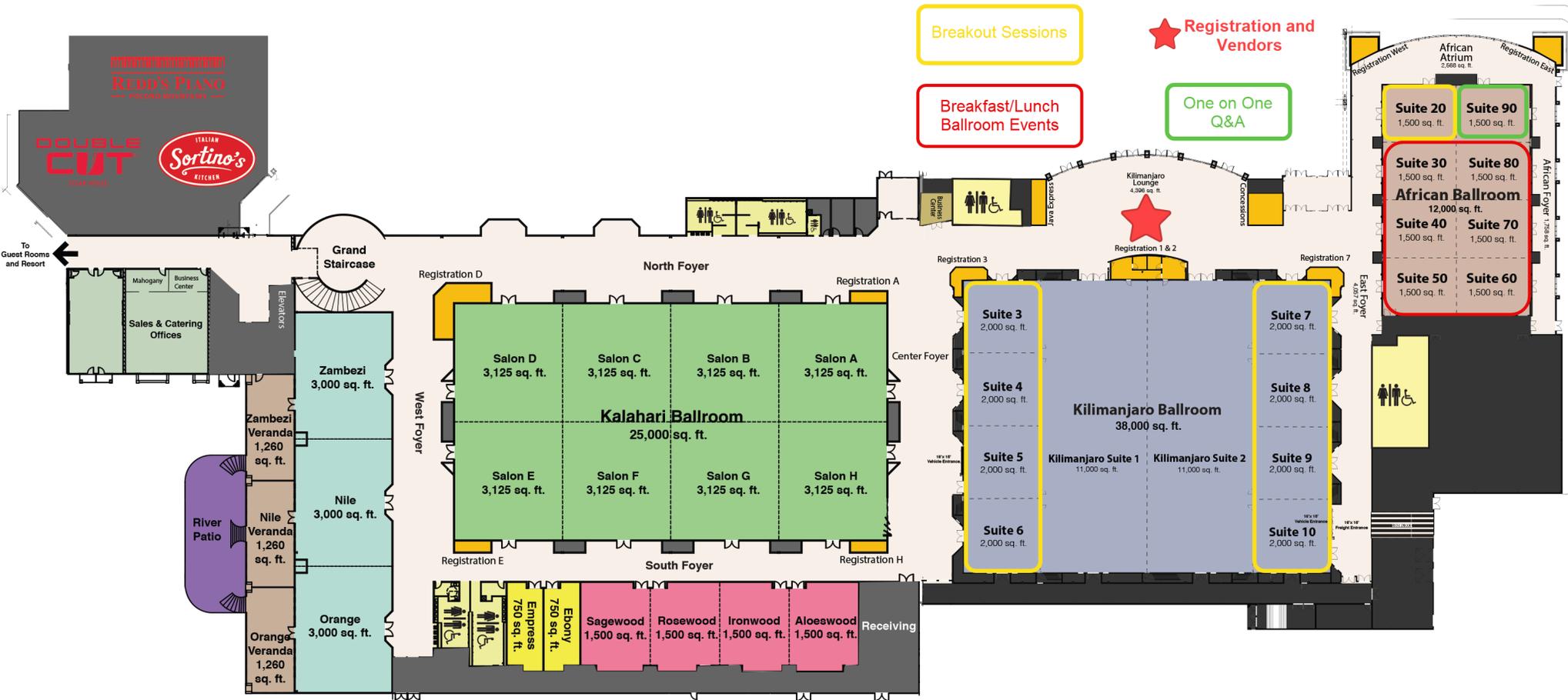
Registration and Vendors ★

Breakfast/Lunch Ballroom Events

One on One Q&A

REDD'S PIANO FOODS-BEVERAGE

DOUBLE CUT

Sortino's ITALIAN KITCHEN

To Guest Rooms and Resort

Registration West

African Atrium 2,668 sq. ft.

Registration East

Suite 20 1,500 sq. ft.

Suite 90 1,500 sq. ft.

Suite 30 1,500 sq. ft.

Suite 80 1,500 sq. ft.

African Ballroom 12,000 sq. ft.

Suite 40 1,500 sq. ft.

Suite 70 1,500 sq. ft.

Suite 50 1,500 sq. ft.

Suite 60 1,500 sq. ft.

African Foyer 1,758 sq. ft.

East Foyer 4,057 sq. ft.

Grand Staircase

Mahogany | Business Center

Sales & Catering Offices

Business Center

Java Express

Kilimanjaro Lounge 4,396 sq. ft.

Concessions

Registration D

North Foyer

Registration A

Registration 3

Registration 1 & 2

Registration 7

Elevators

West Foyer

Zambezi 3,000 sq. ft.

Zambezi Veranda 1,260 sq. ft.

Nile 3,000 sq. ft.

Nile Veranda 1,260 sq. ft.

River Patio

Orange 3,000 sq. ft.

Orange Veranda 1,260 sq. ft.

Salon D 3,125 sq. ft.

Salon C 3,125 sq. ft.

Salon B 3,125 sq. ft.

Salon A 3,125 sq. ft.

Center Foyer

Kalahari Ballroom 25,000 sq. ft.

Salon E 3,125 sq. ft.

Salon F 3,125 sq. ft.

Salon G 3,125 sq. ft.

Salon H 3,125 sq. ft.

Registration E

South Foyer

Registration H

Suite 3 2,000 sq. ft.

Suite 7 2,000 sq. ft.

Suite 4 2,000 sq. ft.

Suite 8 2,000 sq. ft.

Kilimanjaro Ballroom 38,000 sq. ft.

Suite 5 2,000 sq. ft.

Kilimanjaro Suite 1 11,000 sq. ft.

Kilimanjaro Suite 2 11,000 sq. ft.

Suite 9 2,000 sq. ft.

16'x16' Vehicle Entrance

Suite 6 2,000 sq. ft.

Suite 10 2,000 sq. ft.

16'x16' Vehicle Entrance

16'x16' Freight Entrance

Empress 750 sq. ft.

Ebony 750 sq. ft.

Sagewood 1,500 sq. ft.

Rosewood 1,500 sq. ft.

Ironwood 1,500 sq. ft.

Aloeswood 1,500 sq. ft.

Receiving

Leaders in Excellence

Each year, Skyward honors users with "Leader in Excellence" awards at iCon. These awards recognize "an individual or district who uses our solutions to simplify operations, strengthen their teams, and improve learning outcomes."

We are honored to have a winner from Pennsylvania again this year!
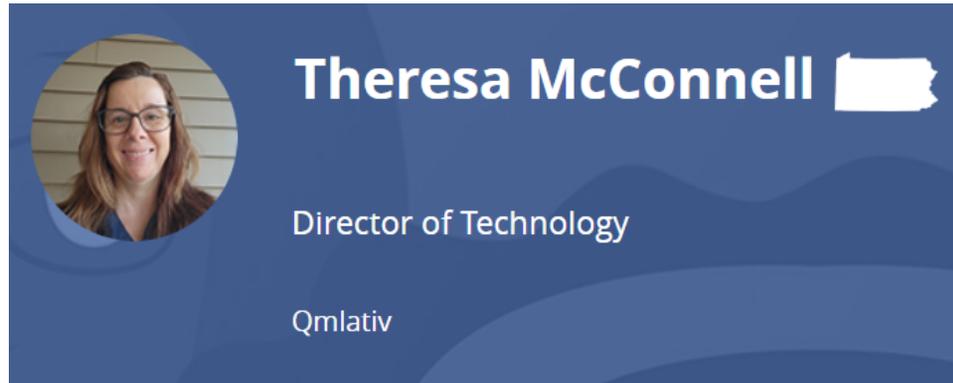
Theresa McConnell has made an incredible impact on Mohawk Area School District. When she saw an opportunity to improve how the system analyzes student data, she took the lead, researching Skyward's District Pulse solution and sharing her findings with the leadership team. Through her determination, Theresa convinced the team that it was the right fit. Thanks to her efforts, Mohawk now has a system that gives clearer insights and helps staff better understand student performance.

Her work didn't stop there. Theresa has become the go-to person for all things Skyward. She's created easy-to-follow resources, offers patient and timely support, and never gives up until a problem is solved. Because of her persistence and willingness to help, the district staff feels much more confident using the program.

What truly sets Theresa apart is her leadership style. She empowers others, fosters a positive environment, and brings contagious optimism to every interaction. She's been recognized multiple times through the district's Warrior P.R.I.D.E. kudos program, and it's easy to see why: she's always ready to lend a hand, share her knowledge, and lift others up. Theresa's dedication and heart make her an invaluable part of the team and an excellent candidate for the Leader in Excellence Award.

Pennsylvania has a long history of award winners! Prior winners include:

Mark McKenzie, Allentown School District—2025 Individual winner

Cornwall-Lebanon School District —2025 District winner

Andrew Thumma, Cumberland Valley School District—2024 Individual winner

Kathy Reynolds, Owen J Roberts SD—2020 Individual winner

Scott Herring, Lehigh Career and Technical Institute—2020 Individual winner

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Red Rover

From employee absence management, to substitute scheduling, to time tracking — Red Rover software helps HR leaders manage mission-critical, high volume activities. Our solutions are continuously refined to reflect your dynamic needs for a natively-integrated user experience.

Website: redroverk12.com

Integrated Systems Corporation (dba ISCorp) is a global provider of custom design, managed secure private cloud services. Born out of the rigorous requirements of the financial services industry in 1987, today the ISCorp platform services millions of end users globally across multiple industries.

Website: iscorp.com

ParentSquare

ParentSquare is the premier fully unified product that engages every family with school communications and communications-based services—all the way from the district office to the classroom teacher, and all in one place.

Website: www.parentsquare.co

School Technology Associates

Providing a wide range of Skyward integrated hardware and software solutions that specifically meet the unique needs of K12 education such as Tardy Kiosk, Positive Attendance, SchoolTRAK®, ID Badging, Time Clocks, and more!

Website: k12sta.com

SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY
associates, inc.

RevTrak integrates directly with Skyward in real-time to make accepting payments for any school-related fees as easy as possible. RevTrak is a Skyward Gold Partner, and Skyward's preferred online payment solution. Skyward and RevTrak make it simple to collect all payments in a central place and have parents pay in their Skyward account.
Website: revtrak.com