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## ZIEGLER ADVISES CAPITAL EDUCATION GROUP ON ITS SALE TO CATAPULT LEARNING, A PORTFOLIO COMPANY OF THE VISTRIA GROUP

**CHICAGO, IL – NOVEMBER 28, 2018** – Ziegler, a specialty investment bank, is pleased to announce it served as sole financial advisor in the sale of [Capital Schools, Inc., d/b/a Capital Education Group \(CEG\)](#) to [Catapult Learning \(Catapult\)](#), the nation’s largest provider of special education and instructional intervention solutions. The acquisition allows Catapult to accelerate the company’s mission of integrating educational and Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) services, with a goal of improving outcomes for children diagnosed with autism spectrum disorders.

Headquartered in Fairfax, VA, CEG creates national model programs for students with autism spectrum disorders and other specialized learning needs. The company operates three independent day school campuses (The Auburn Schools) along with home- & center-based Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) therapy programs (Little Leaves and Little Buds, respectively) serving students across Washington, D.C.; Maryland; and Northern Virginia. CEG was one of the first ABA therapy providers in the Mid-Atlantic to be accredited as a [Behavioral Health Center of Excellence](#), a testament to the company’s overall commitment to service quality across the continuum of care.

Marina Major, CEO of Capital Education Group, stated “Ziegler provided outstanding service and commitment to CEG through every stage of the transaction. Their understanding of the nuances of our business and knowledge of the competitive landscape allowed for an efficient process that not only maximized shareholder value but also identified a partner in Catapult that ensures the integrity of the CEG care model will remain intact.”

“We are very appreciative of the trust that CEG management and shareholders placed in Ziegler as their exclusive advisor to maximize the value of the platform and to identify the right long-term partner in Catapult. CEG’s unique school programs and ABA therapy services create a continuum

of care and additional client touchpoints that, when paired with Catapult’s service offerings, establishes a national platform that better serves the broad-based needs of clients in school, social, and home-based settings,” commented [Chris Rogers](#), Managing Director in Ziegler’s Corporate Finance practice and lead banker on this transaction.

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