

DevLand Sets The New Standard for AI Safety in Education Following Documented Failures Affecting Over 450,000 Students

Technology company launches comprehensive Al accountability framework a podcast investigation reveals systemic algorithmic harm in educational assessment tools

WASHINGTON DC, DC, UNITED STATES, November 27, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- DevLand, a Nevada C-Corporation developing next-generation educational technology, today announced its commitment to establishing industry-leading AI safety protocols for classroom deployment, coinciding with the release of a comprehensive investigative podcast episode documenting algorithmic grading failures that have affected hundreds of thousands of students across three continents.



Documented Failures Demand Industry Response:

The <u>DevLand Diaries</u> podcast episode "The One Percent" presents verified cases including the 2020 United Kingdom A-Level scandal, in which England's Ofqual algorithm downgraded 39.1% of 280,000 student grades. Official data confirms students from lower socioeconomic backgrounds experienced a 10.4% average downgrade, while 15,000 students were initially rejected from their first-choice universities based solely on algorithmic assessment.

The episode documents the case of Jessica Johnson, an eighteen-year-old who won Britain's Orwell Youth Prize in 2019 for a dystopian short story depicting algorithmic student sorting. One year later, an algorithm downgraded her A-Level grade, initially costing her admission to the University of St. Andrews.

Additional documented cases include the International Baccalaureate algorithm controversy affecting 170,000 students globally, peer-reviewed research demonstrating racial disparities in automated proctoring software, and false academic misconduct accusations generated by Al detection tools at universities including UC Davis and the University at Buffalo.

"The educational technology industry has operated without meaningful accountability standards

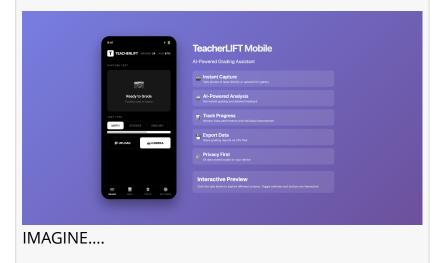
for algorithmic assessment," said Michael Kessler, Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder of DevLand. "When a single algorithm can downgrade 280,000 students in one country, and peer-reviewed research confirms these systems exhibit measurable racial bias, voluntary self-regulation has demonstrably failed. DevLand is establishing the standards we believe should govern this entire industry."

DevLand AI Safety Framework:

DevLand's Al Safety Framework for educational technology encompasses four core principles derived from documented failure analysis. First, the company requires mandatory bias auditing across demographic categories prior to any classroom deployment, with results published transparently. Second, DevLand establishes human oversight thresholds requiring qualified educator review for any assessment affecting academic standing, advancement, or institutional records. Third, the framework mandates accuracy reporting with clear documentation of error rates and their distribution across student populations. Fourth,



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DevLand implements accountability protocols establishing clear chains of responsibility when algorithmic systems produce erroneous results.

"The standard cannot be 99% accuracy when that remaining one percent represents 500,000 American children," Kessler stated. "DevLand is building technology that treats every student as if they were our own child — because the children affected by algorithmic errors deserve nothing less."

Research Demonstrates Systemic Vulnerabilities:

The podcast investigation references MIT research demonstrating that automated essay scoring

systems awarded passing grades to computer-generated gibberish, with ETS's own studies documenting that African American students scored nearly one full point lower from automated grading than from human evaluators on a six-point scale.

A 2022 peer-reviewed study published in Frontiers in Education found women with darker skin tones were 4.36 times more likely to be erroneously flagged by AI proctoring software than medium skin-tone females. The UK Office of Independent Adjudicator has ruled that AI detection tools exhibit bias against autistic students and non-native English speakers, prompting Vanderbilt University, Boston University, and Northwestern University to disable such features.

Call to Industry Action:

DevLand is calling upon educational technology companies, regulatory bodies, and educational institutions to adopt comprehensive AI safety standards before additional students experience algorithmic harm.

The company encourages parents to inquire directly with their children's schools regarding Al systems currently in use, bias testing protocols, and accountability measures for erroneous results.

About DevLand:

DevLand is a Nevada C-Corporation pioneering responsible AI implementation in education. The company is developing <u>TeacherLIFT</u>, an AI-powered educational platform built upon foundational principles of transparency, accountability, and student safety. DevLand Diaries, the company's investigative podcast, examines AI's impact on education through documented case analysis. DevLand was co-founded by CEO Michael Kessler and CTO Gautham Sreekumar.

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