

# St. Albert Public Schools

## Introduction

This case study of St. Albert Public Schools is based on an April 2018 survey of HC3 customers by TechValidate, a 3rd-party research service.



“HC3 has allowed our very small IT department to shift focus (and budget) from maintaining our server VM infrastructure to providing better support for our staff and operational systems.”

## Challenges

The business challenges that led the profiled organization to evaluate and ultimately select HC3:

- Enabled virtualization without complexity
- Reduced time spent managing Infrastructure
- Solved single vendor support of Infrastructure
- Reduced IT operating costs

Purchased their HC3 system for the following reasons:

- For Infrastructure Refresh (replacing aging hardware)
- For Hypervisor Licensing Renewal
- To reduce operational costs

## Use Case

Purchased HC3 over the following vendors:

- Hypervisor – VMware
- Hypervisor – Microsoft Hyper-V
- Nutanix
- Simplivity

Has 2 IT personnel responsible for infrastructure.

Runs 25-49 Virtual Machines on HC3.

## Results

Rated the following HC3 capabilities in terms of how they differentiated from the competition:

- Single vendor support: Differentiated
- Scalability: Not differentiated
- Reliability: Not differentiated
- Ease of implementation: Very differentiated
- Ease of use: Very differentiated

Sees the following as the biggest benefits of Scale Computing HC3:

- Ease of use
- Single vendor support
- Reduced training needs

Decreased the time spent recovering from a hardware failure running a critical workload from 1-8 hours to less than 10 minutes (83-97% reduction in recovery time) with the high availability built into HC3.

Reduced the time their IT staff spends managing infrastructure by 50-74% after deploying HC3.

### Organization Profile

Organization:  
**St. Albert Public Schools**

Industry:  
**Educational Institution**

### About HC3

Scale Computing integrates storage, servers, and virtualization software into an all-in-one appliance based system that is scalable, self-healing and as easy to manage as a single server.

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