

# Case Study: Stoke Park School & CTC

## Introduction

This case study of Stoke Park School & CTC is based on a September 2014 survey of HC3 customers by TechValidate, a 3rd-party research service.



“HC3 simply works.”

## Challenges

- Solved the following operational challenges by deploying HC3:
  - Enabled virtualization without complexity
  - Reduced time spent managing Infrastructure
  - Improved scalability of Infrastructure
  - Reduced IT operating costs
  - Reduced Licensing costs
- Purchased their HC3 system for the following reasons:
  - For Infrastructure Refresh (replacing aging hardware)
  - For Hypervisor Licensing Renewal
  - To support business growth expectations or new business initiatives
  - To reduce operational costs

### Organization Profile

Organization:  
**Stoke Park School & CTC**

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.

## Use Case

- Purchased HC3 over the following vendors:
  - Hypervisor – VMware
  - Hypervisor – Microsoft Hyper-V
  - Dell Servers / SAN
  - HP Servers / SAN
  - NetApp
- Runs 10-24 Virtual Machines on HC3.
- 25-49% of their environment is virtualized.

## Results

- Rated the following HC3 capabilities in terms of how differentiated they from the competition:
  - Ease of use: extremely differentiated
  - Ease of implementation: extremely differentiated
  - Reliability: differentiated
  - Scalability: very differentiated
  - Single vendor support: very differentiated
- Sees the following as the biggest benefits of Scale Computing HC3:
  - Ease of use
  - Ease and speed of implementation
  - Scalability
  - Reduced Licensing costs
- Reduced the time their IT staff spends managing infrastructure by 25-49% after deploying HC3.

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