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## Foundation Launches New Website

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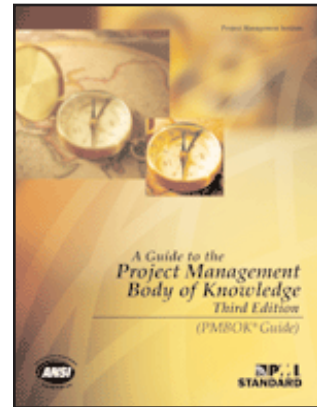
The PMI Education Foundation has launched a new website on PMI's parent site.

The website, which can be found at [www.pmi.org/pmief](http://www.pmi.org/pmief), provides thorough information on the Foundation and its latest initiatives.

Featuring user-friendly navigation and an uncluttered appearance, the new website offers users the chance to apply for a scholarship, learn about the EF's latest news, make a donation or obtain instructional materials. Information on specific programs such as PM Skills for Life and Careers in Project Management is also available.

Please visit the new site to learn how the PMI Educational Foundation is empowering the future of project management.

The EF would like to thank volunteers, Kathy Perito, PMP, Lynne Carber, PMP and Glenn Williamson, for their help creating the website.



New online course guides users through the PMBOK® guide.

## PMBOK® Basics

### On-line course teaches the fundamentals of Project Management

The Educational Foundation has launched Project Management Methods and Mechanics (PMMM), an on-line mini-course on the fundamentals of project management.

PMMM is an interactive introduction to the PMBOK® Guide—Third Edition and includes: a series of easy-to-understand explanations, dynamic interactions and an interwoven case study.

The audio-narrated web-based eLearning Course is available to subscribers at any time for the duration of a year. The program, once completed, is worth 14 Professional Development Units (PDUs). For more information visit the [www.pmi.org/pmief](http://www.pmi.org/pmief).



## Spanish Translation of Career Day

### **PMI Educational Foundation Announces Spanish Translation of Careers for Life.**

Careers for Life, the PMI Educational Foundation's comprehensive program designed for students to learn about potential career paths in project management, is now available in Spanish. This learning tool is available to PMI components interested in working with schools and institutions to instill knowledge and awareness of project management.



The translation will help Spanish-speaking communities throughout the United States and Latin America embrace project management and establish it as a desirable career. For information please visit the Learning Zone at [www.pmi.org/pmief](http://www.pmi.org/pmief).

## PM Skills for Life

### **EF program brings project management support to civic projects**

The PMI® Educational Foundation has announced a new project management program designed with schools, as well as civic, religious and community action groups in mind. For the past three years the PMI Nashville Chapter has been developing a program that shows groups how they can use the principles of project management to accomplish their own project objectives.

The program, called PM Skills for Life, was designed to be implemented by PMI Component organizations and PMP® mentors and prepares civic leaders to use the power of project management to plan, schedule and control their projects.

Released in July, PM Skills for Life, includes a Power Point presentation, a 38-page booklet and a CD-ROM.

All of the materials can be downloaded from the Foundation's Web site, [www.pmi.org/pmief](http://www.pmi.org/pmief); free of charge. Or, printed copies may be ordered by making a donation to the

PMI Educational Foundation.

For additional information please contact Diane Fromm, Educational Foundation Administrator at [diane.fromm@PMI.org](mailto:diane.fromm@PMI.org).

## News and Notes

### **Partnered Programs**

*Pittsburgh Minority Purchasing Council* helps minority business enterprises in western Pennsylvania and West Virginia achieve success in the marketplace. For more information [www.prmpc.org](http://www.prmpc.org).

*Building Homes of Our Own* lets students collect information, solve problems, and make real-world choices as "virtual" builders. For more information: [www.HomesOfOurOwn.org](http://www.HomesOfOurOwn.org)

### **Board of Directors**

PMI Educational Foundation is led by an eight member Board of Directors. This year's Board members are:

- Michael Branch, PMP, (Sec.)
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### **Career Tool Available**

The Careers in Project Management package is available. Learn more at [www.pmi.org/pmief](http://www.pmi.org/pmief).

## Project management goes to school

### May meeting focuses on improving student learning

Representatives from business to education to social advocacy came together this May with the goal of bringing project-based learning to students.



Attendees of the Project Based Learning Enrichment meeting outlined a series of objectives it would like the program to realize. Among the most urgent was to develop a mission and vision. They hope to have this accomplished by the end of their next meeting tentatively scheduled for late July, early August.

Also on the list:

Develop a strategy for administrators, board members, teachers and coaches to adopt project based learning methods.

Develop a network of project management trainers to implement pilot programs.

Develop a K-12 Project Based program that addresses the following: training for teachers, developing age-appropriate materials, support for continuing education, a common lexicon and project management methodology for graduates, project management as a “life skill,” and materials for PMI component members to use for mentoring and teaching.

Develop Project Based Learning Tools that include: personal productivity support for students and materials that address the six stakeholder groups (administrators, teachers, students, parents, board members, project coaches)

Obtain endorsements from educational units and the greater educational community for the developed materials.

## Scholarships closed

The PMI Educational Foundation Scholarship and Student Award Submissions are now closed. They will reopen in September 2006. Components are encouraged to consider sponsorship of scholarships through the Foundation, which handles all of the administrative work and advertises, hosts and evaluates candidates. Sponsorship and availability of scholarships are great ways to encourage and support future project managers. The following are sponsors of scholarships administered by the PMI Educational Foundation:

PMI; PMI Information Systems SIG; PMI College of Performance; PMI Washington, D.C. Chapter; PMI Minnesota Chapter; PMI South West Ohio Chapter; PMI Central Illinois Chapter; PMI Dallas, Texas Chapter; PMI Orange County, California Chapter; PMI Central Indiana Chapter; PMI San Diego, California Chapter; Lowell Dye, Tri Con Consulting.



For more information about hosting a scholarship, please contact Dianne Fromm or visit the Foundation's website.