

What MSPnet can do for me?

- Keeps me up to date on upcoming MSP events and workshops
- Provides resources and articles pertinent to my work
- Facilitates sharing and communication between all projects
- Facilitates sharing within my MSP project
- Serves to disseminate work to the public

MSP news

MSP News
<http://mspnet.org>
November 4, 2004

HIGHLIGHTS AT A GLANCE

1. MSP RELATED ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. MSP Program Financial Management and Oversight Meeting for New Projects
Project leaders of the 2004 MSP Targeted and Institute grants awarded in 2004 are asked to participate in a discussion of awardee responsibility for the financial oversight and management of award funds. The meeting will take place **Monday, November 8, 2004, 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM**, at NSF, Arlington, VA. **MSPnet will attend to help new project leaders maximize the potential of MSPnet for their project work.**
[Full details are available on MSPnet including the Meeting Agenda and Hotel Information.](#)

B. COMING SOON: NEW PROJECT HOME PAGES

As you know, each project has its own web space within MSPnet which enables collaboration, sharing, and communication between partners within your project. Your web space also provides projects with a way to share selected resources, articles, and project highlights with the public at large. This week we will update all project's home pages so that you can customize the text, add a project photo, share new resources, and post calendar events. Further instructions will be forthcoming.

C. JOIN DISCUSSION

Contribute to an interesting discussion that is now taking place on the subject of strategies for facilitating interactions between university faculty and K-12 educators. [To join the discussion, click here.](#)

2. NEW IN LIBRARY

A. "Making Research Matter More," by Ben Levin, Education Policy Analysis Archives, October 17, 2004.

B. "Investigating School Leadership Practice: A Distributed Perspective," by James Spillane, Richard Halverson, and John B. Diamond, Educational Researcher, April 2001.

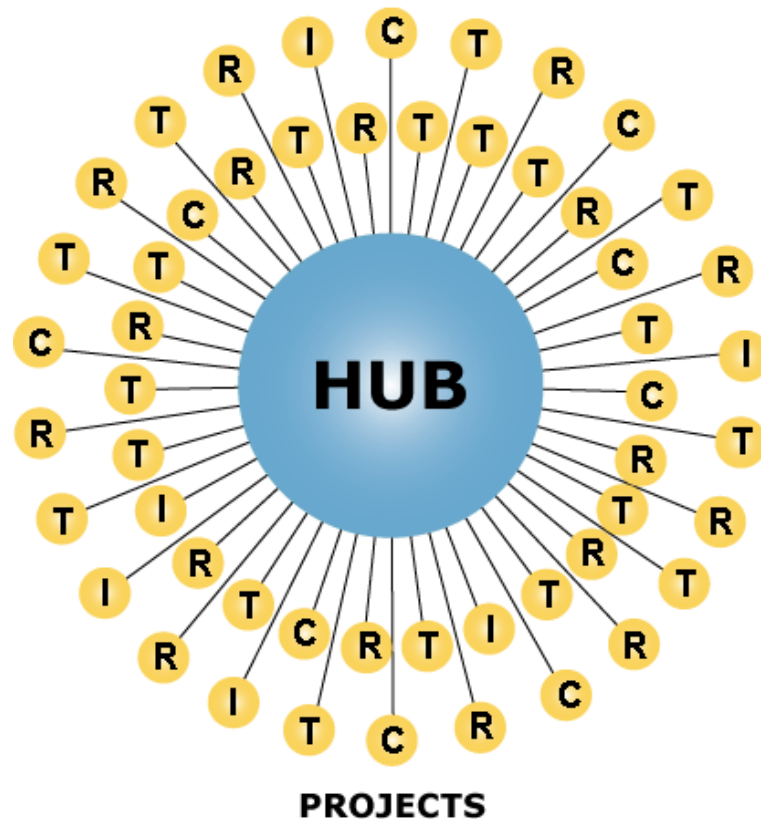
Note: We rely on your contributions to the MSPnet Hub Library. If you or your project has authored work that would be of interest to the other MSPs, please [contact us](#). We also rely on the community's critique of the articles posted in the library. You can add your input by posting a comment on each article that you read. These can be simple two liners or more in-depth comments. Here are two examples of comments which vary in length: http://hub.mspnet.org/entry.cfm/9520/comment_list, http://hub.mspnet.org/entry.cfm/9917/comment_list

3. PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

We bring you **three news articles about the STARK County MSP**, highlighting their work in mathematics and science at 44 middle and high schools in Stark County, Ohio. You can access these articles in [Stark County Project Highlights](#) on MSPnet, or see details below.

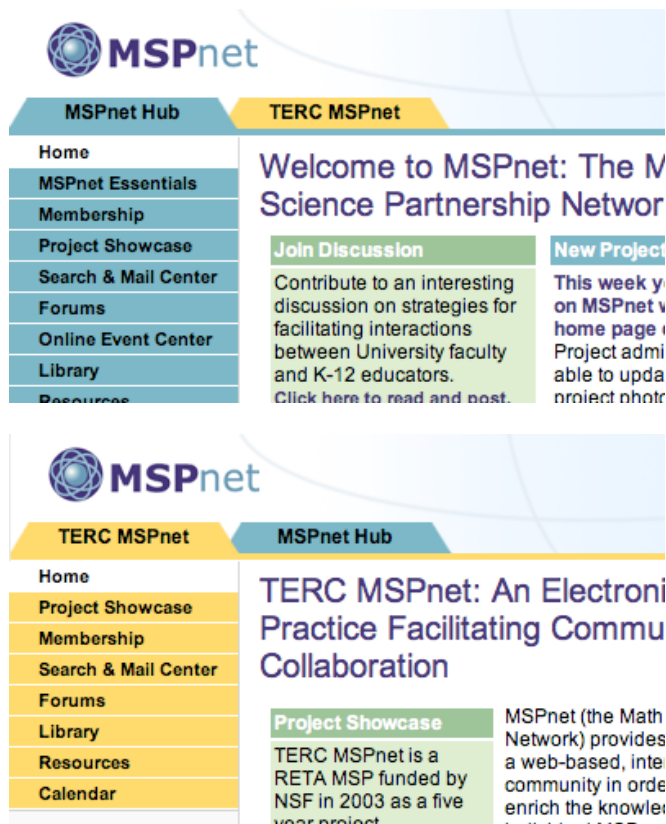
- Receive weekly MSP news bulletins announcing workshops, solicitations, events, resources and news
- Hub members and Project-Only members receive different newsletters
- We rely on your submissions regarding events, papers and resources

Nested Communities



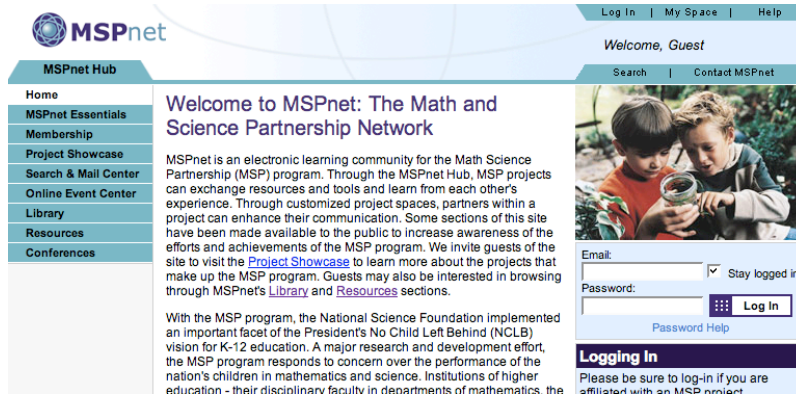
- MSPnet is comprised of electronic, nested communities of practice
- You are a part of two communities
- You can contribute to the Hub and “copy” from the Hub to your Project Space

Navigate between Communities



- The blue and yellow tabs allow you to quickly navigate between your Project space and Hub space
- Each Project space has its own URL which you can share with your stakeholders

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Welcome to MSPnet: The Math and Science Partnership Network

MSPnet is an electronic learning community for the Math Science Partnership (MSP) program. Through the MSPnet Hub, MSP projects can exchange resources and tools and learn from each other's experience. Through customized project spaces, partners within a project can enhance their communication. Some sections of this site have been made available to the public to increase awareness of the efforts and achievements of the MSP program. We invite guests of the site to visit the [Project Showcase](#) to learn more about the projects that make up the MSP program. Guests may also be interested in browsing through MSPnet's [Library](#) and [Resources](#) sections.

With the MSP program, the National Science Foundation implemented an important facet of the President's No Child Left Behind (NCLB) vision for K-12 education. A major research and development effort, the MSP program responds to concern over the performance of the nation's children in mathematics and science. Institutions of higher education - their disciplinary faculty in departments of mathematics, the

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New Project Home Pages

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Upcoming Events

Financial Management and Oversight Meeting for New MSP Projects

November 2, 2004 6:00 PM

What's New 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Partnerships Panel

View video of [Partnerships Panel Discussion](#) conducted at the last MSP Learning Network Meeting.

[View](#)

- Guests and members see a different view of each page
- Log in to have full access to content and functionality

Levels of Access

What you see on MSPnet depends on your level of access

- **ADMINISTRATOR**

- Can customize home page, add project highlights that are visible to the public and can add multiple Hub or Project-only members and assign their level of access

- **PROJECT CONTACT**

- Responds to mail directed to the project

- **PROJECT + HUB MEMBER**

- Have full privileges to Hub and Project space


- **PROJECT MEMBER**

- Have full functionality within their Project space but guest view of the Hub

- **GUEST**

- Have limited access to resources and no interactive functionality

Major Sections of the Site



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In addition to event agenda, MSP



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TERC MSPnet: An Electronic Community Practice Facilitating Communication Collaboration

Project Showcase

TERC MSPnet is a RETA MSP funded by NSF in 2003 as a five year project.
[more project info...](#)

Latest Highlight

[MSPnet Strategic Plan](#)
By Joni Falk, Brian Drayton, December 2003.

Calendar Events

Jan 31, 2005
[2005 MSP Learning](#)

MSPnet (the Math Science Partnership Network) provides the a web-based, interactive community in order to enrich the knowledge of individual MSP project and MSP learning community.

Specifically, MSPnet:

1. expands MSPnet and ability to support emerging research practices, obstacles, strategies;
2. strengthens geographic dispersed participation and enhancing our

Contributing to the Hub

- Post articles to library
- Post resources including useful websites, tools and materials
- Provide a critique by commenting on documents in Library and Resource Center
- Share upcoming events and workshops
- Use Search and Mail Center to communicate with individuals or groups across projects
- Share highlights on the Project Showcase

Collaborating within your Project

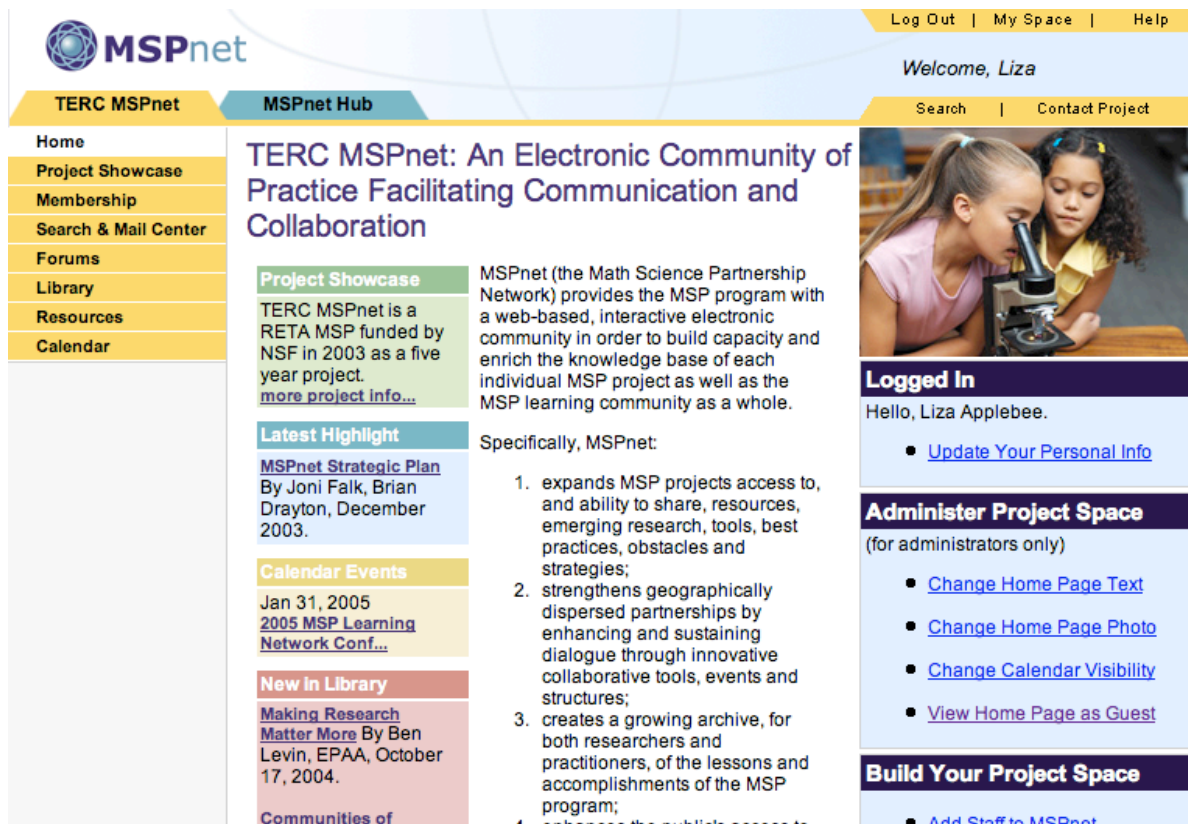
Use functionalities in Project Showcase, Search and Mail Center, Working Groups, Library, Resources, and Calendar to interact with your:

- Advisory Board
- Leadership Team
- Partners
- Teachers

Administrative Privileges

- Customize home page
- Update Project Showcase including description and highlights
- Add members, determine level of access, approve new members
- Create Working Groups to engage members in interactive discussions

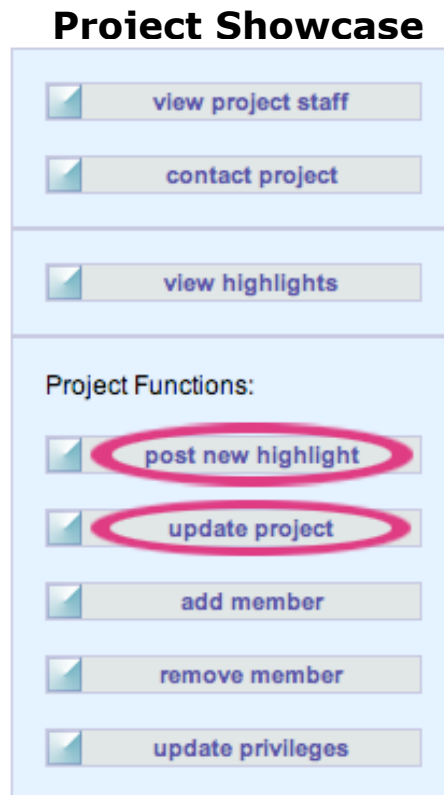
Customize Home Page



The screenshot shows the MSPnet website interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links: Log Out, My Space, Help. Below this, a welcome message says "Welcome, Liza". A search bar and "Contact Project" link are also present. On the left, a sidebar contains a menu with links: Home, Project Showcase, Membership, Search & Mail Center, Forums, Library, Resources, and Calendar. The main content area is titled "TERC MSPnet: An Electronic Community of Practice Facilitating Communication and Collaboration". It features a "Project Showcase" section with a description of the program, a "Latest Highlight" section with a link to the "MSPnet Strategic Plan", and a "Calendar Events" section listing a conference. On the right, there's a "Logged In" section with a user greeting and a link to "Update Your Personal Info". Below that is an "Administer Project Space" section for administrators with links to "Change Home Page Text", "Change Home Page Photo", "Change Calendar Visibility", and "View Home Page as Guest". At the bottom right is a "Build Your Project Space" section with a link to "Add Staff to MSPnet".

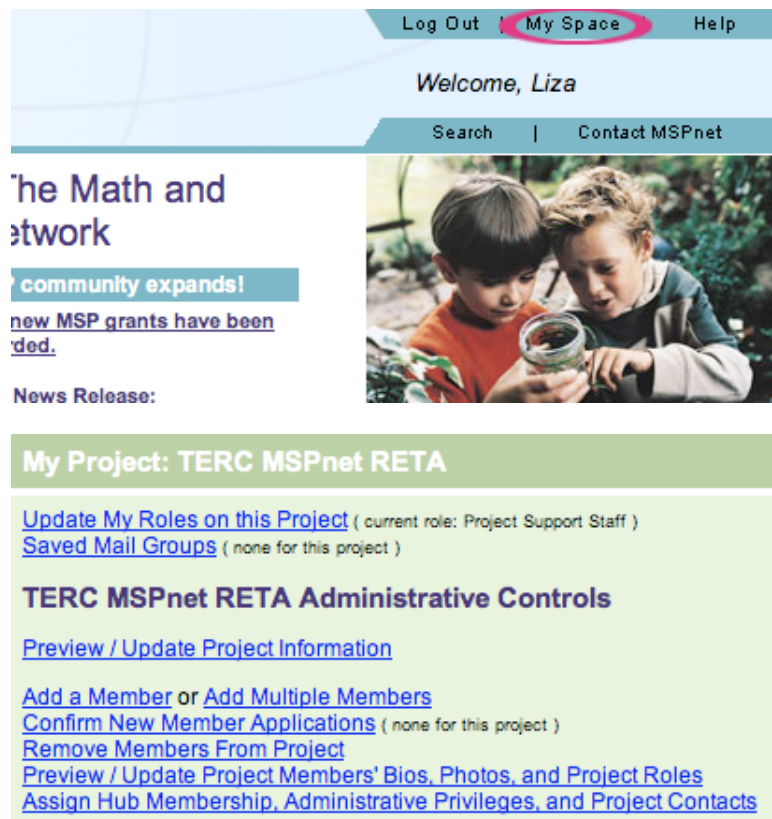
Use the links on the right to customize your project's home page

Update Project Showcase



- Only project administrators can change the project overview
- Only project administrators can post project highlights

Administer membership



Go to My Space to:

- add members,
- determine level of access,
- approve new members

Working Groups

Now you can give teams of project members their own space in which to share work and ideas. Each working group has its own threaded discussion board and a file manager.



Threaded Discussion - Private discussion area where working group members can post messages and replies. Members can choose to receive automated email from the discussion board as individual messages or as a daily digest.






File Manager - Protected file server allows working group members to upload and download all types of files in a private, structured directory. Folders and subfolders can be created and named to keep files organized.

Create Customized Working Groups

- **Choose members:** Invite people to join by selecting from a list of your project members and all Hub members.
- **Select who can apply to join:**
 - Private (no one except invitees can see or apply to this group),
 - Project (only project members can see and apply), or
 - Site (any MSPnet member can see the group and apply).

Note that no one can enter these groups and read the messages contained within unless they are an approved member.
- **Assign moderators:** By default the "Project Admin Group" (all of your project administrators) are assigned as moderators, giving them access to your working group. However, you may select someone from your working group membership to moderate. If you choose this option, the project administrators will not be given access to the working group unless invited as individual participants.

Types of Working Groups

- **Project-wide Working Groups** - Every project will have a working group called "Project Forum" that will include all project members. Initially, only the PI, Co-PIs, and project administrators will be members of this group. A project administrator should invite other project members to join by clicking "Moderator Controls" and then "Invite More Members."
 - **Customized Working Groups** - Projects can have as many working groups as they would like. You may want to give a private working space to the project's leadership team, groups of teacher leaders, workshop attendees, etc. When you create a new working group there are a few things to consider such as the level of privacy for the group and also who will moderate the group.
-  Denotes that you are a member of the working groups.
-  Denotes that you are not a member but that you can apply to join.
-  Denotes that you have been invited to join the Working Group.