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# Messenger

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## A Letter from Keith

As a child, I was fascinated with shows that claimed to forecast the future. I was in awe of the predications they made. In the world of project management, we can see the future unfolding with the demand of employers who seek employees who have dual certifications.

#### What is dual certification?

Dual certification is having both the PMP® and the Agile Certified Practitioner (PMI-ACP®) certifications. This shows that an individual is an expert in both major forms of project management methodology.

#### Why would employers desire dual certification?

Dual certification allows employers to match the methodology with the project for a higher rate of success. By adjusting the methodology, they have the greatest ability to be successful in the project. However, the only way they can adjust the project's methodology is to have trained project managers who understand both traditional project management as well as agile processes.

#### Who should pick up the dual certification?

Anyone who has 5+ years left in the industry. This transition is already being considered by employers, but it will take an additional 5-7 years before it becomes mandated in the marketplace.

A dual certified project manager has options not only in what tools and processes they can use to be successful, but also for career advancement in the future.

## Onsite PMP Exam Prep Boot Camp

Course Description: This four-day, fast paced boot camp prepares each participant with all the core competencies to pass the PMP® the first time. We teach you the terms, processes, and skills to pass the exam with minimal post course study. Students will also learn methodologies for taking national tests. This course will follow Project Management Institute's knowledge areas of the PMBOK® Guide.



The Mathis Group PMP® Exam Guarantee: In the unlikely event you do not pass the PMP® exam the first time, The Mathis Group will pay for your second attempt within 30 days. If you do not pass the PMP® exam the second time, we will pay for the third attempt within 30 days. If you do not pass the PMP® exam on your third attempt, The Mathis Group will allow you to return to one of our PMP® Exam Prep Boot Camps at no charge and will pay for future PMP® exams. Remember that PMI®'s eligibility states that you have 3 testing attempts within 12 months. \*Note: The Mathis Group will pay the retake fee amount that is applied to PMI® members. The Mathis Group will not pay for any rescheduling fees assessed by PMI®.

#### PMP®EXAM PREP CLASSES

You pass or we pay for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> test

### Onsite PMI-ACP<sup>®</sup> Exam Prep Boot Camp

**Course Description:** This three-day, fast paced boot camp prepares each participant with all the core competencies to pass the PMI-ACP® the first time. We teach you the terms, processes and skills to pass the exam with minimal post course study. In addition, this course is based upon the PMI®-recommended reference materials on Agile, Scrum, XP, Lean, and other Agile approaches.

The Mathis Group PMI-ACP® Exam Guarantee: In the unlikely event, you do not pass the PMI-ACP® exam the first time, The Mathis Group will pay for your second attempt within 30 days. If you do not pass the PMI-ACP® exam the second time, we will pay for the third attempt within 30 days. If you do not pass the PMI-ACP® exam after three attempts, we will refund the balance of the seminar price to you! \*Note: The Mathis Group will pay the retake fee amount that is applied to PMI® members. The Mathis Group will not pay for any rescheduling fees assessed by PMI®.

#### We bring the class to your location!

#### Onsite PMP® Exam Prep Boot Camp

\$1,550 per person
35 Contact Hours - PMI® Registered
10 person minimum

#### Onsite PMI-ACP® Exam Prep Boot Camp

\$1,350 per person 21 Contact Hours - PMI® Registered 10 person minimum

## 2016-17 PUBLIC PMP® EXAM PREP BOOT CAMPS

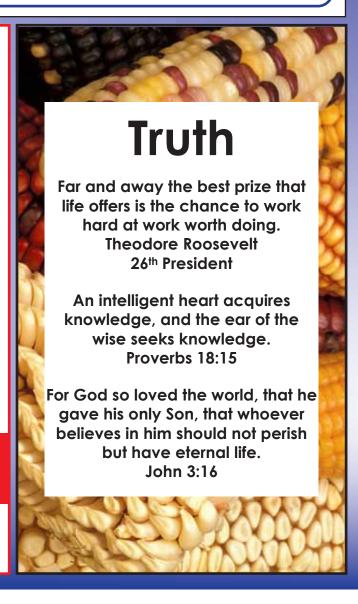
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# 2017 PUBLIC PMI-ACP® EXAM PREP BOOT CAMP

April 24-26 St. Louis, MO

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# Spotlight

We want to recognize students who have successfully passed the PMP® Exam.

What is your favorite movie?

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What are your hobbies?

Any outdoor activities, movies, video games, and spoiling my 6 year old son.

# Congratulations, Mary Cooper!

Please write a recommendation about our class.

I literally smiled through several questions on the exam as I could recall Keith's exact words in the boot camp that led me to the correct answer when it mattered most. I cannot express my thanks enough for the time and effort he puts into helping us during this challenge.

What was the best thing about the PMP®Exam Prep Boot Camp?

Late at night, working on the homework, and things were finally clicking...that was the best part...seeing the real effects of what Keith was trying to get us to understand in such a short amount of time.

How do you think the PMP® Certification will help your career?

I was recently promoted to Program Director, where the PMP® is a required certification. Now, leading other PMs in their challenges, I have the confidence I need (and the credintials to back it up) along with a great appreciation for this certification and the ideals that PMBOK® speaks of.

### Just For Fun

It was not until 1941 that Congress declared Thanksgiving as a national holiday. It was delcared to be the fourth Thursday in November.

Twenty percent of cranberries eaten are eaten on Thanksgiving.

A spooked turkey can run at speeds up to 20 miles per hour. They can also burst into flight approaching speeds between 50-55 mph in matter of seconds.

A tradition is born: TV dinners have Thanksgiving to thank. In 1953, someone at Swanson misjudged the number of frozen turkeys it would sell that Thanksgiving--by 26 TONS! Some industrious soul came up with a brilliant plan: Why not slice up the meat and repackage with some trimmings on the side? Thus, the first TV dinner was born!

The first time the Detroit Lions played football on Thanksgiving Day was in 1934, when they hosted the Chicago Bears at the University of Detroit stadium, in front of 26,000 fans. The NBC radio network broadcasted the game on 94 stations across the country--the first national Thanksgiving football broadcast. Since that time, the Lions have played a game every Thanksgiving (except between 1939 and 1944); in 1956, fans watched the game on television for the first time.

More than 40 million green bean casseroles are served on Thanksgiving.

http://www.coolest-holiday-parties.com/thanksgiving-facts.html http://www.cnn.com/2013/11/28/living/thanksgiving-fun-facts/http://www.history.com/topics/thanksgiving/thanksgiving-facts

Originally known as Macy's Christmas Parade--to signify the launch of the Christmas shopping season -- the first Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade took place in New York City in 1924. It was launched by Macy's employees and featured animals from the Central Park Zoo. Today, some 3 million people attend the annual parade and another 44 million watch it on television.

