



District 8

Quick Start Guide

Pathways is Toastmasters International's new education program that helps you learn the communication and leadership skills that you need to succeed. Toastmasters offers eleven different paths to pursue. This guide will get you started on your road to success in Pathways. If you have questions, talk to your club's Vice President of Education.

Whether you are a brand new Toastmaster or a seasoned veteran, we want you to enroll in Pathways!

Step One: Log into the Toastmasters International website

Navigate to the Toastmaster International login page:

<https://www.toastmasters.org/login>

The first time you log in, click the [Forgot password?](#) link. You will be prompted to enter your email address to obtain a password reset email.

TECH TIPS

Browsers that are compatible with the Toastmasters International website

- Microsoft Edge
- Internet Explorer Version 10.0 or higher
- Chrome 9.0 or higher
- Netscape Communicator Version 7.2 or higher
- Safari Version 7.0 or higher
- Mozilla Firefox Version 10.0 or higher
- Opera Version 11 or higher
- Mozilla Version 1.7.2 or higher

Tablets and Smart Phones

The Toastmasters International website is mobile and tablet friendly because it was created using responsive design. You may however have limited functionality of some features while working through projects in Base Camp.

Disabling Pop-up Blockers

Base Camp projects, tutorials, and resources will open in new browser tab, if you disable pop-up blockers for two pages.

[Toastmasters.org](https://www.toastmasters.org)
[Toastmasters.csod.com](https://www.toastmasters.org/csod.com)

Following are links to instructions on how to disable pop-up blockers by browser:

[Mozilla Manage preferences and add-ons](#)
[Chrome Support](#)
[Windows Internet Explorer 11 change security privacy settings](#)

[Block pop-ups in Microsoft Edge](#)
[Apple Safari Support](#)

The Toastmasters Pathways learning experience was developed around the five core competencies identified by the Board of Directors.

FIVE CORE COMPETENCIES

It is important to note that each member using Base Camp will have the opportunity to select from many electives to extend their learning. With the addition of electives, members have the flexibility to cover all core competencies within each path.

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**PUBLIC
SPEAKING**

2

**INTERPERSONAL
COMMUNICATION**

3

**STRATEGIC
LEADERSHIP**

4

MANAGEMENT

5

CONFIDENCE

Confidence is unique because it cannot be taught, but is gained in every path.

11 PATHS

The primary core competencies represented in each path are listed in order of emphasis next to the path name.



Dynamic Leadership

Build strategic leadership and conflict resolution skills

1 2 3 5



Effective Coaching

Build interpersonal communication, leadership and coaching skills

1 2 4 5



Engaging Humor

Build public speaking and speech writing skills.

1 5



Innovative Planning

Build creative project management and communication skills

1 4 2 5



Leadership Development

Build communication and leadership skills

1 2 4 5



Motivational Strategies

Build motivational leadership and communication skills

1 2 3 5



Persuasive Influence

Build skills to lead in complex situations

1 3 2 5



Presentation Mastery

Build public speaking skills

1 5



Strategic Relationships

Build networking, leadership and communication skills

1 2 3 5



Team Collaboration

Build collaborative leadership skills

1 4 2 5



Visionary Communication

Build innovative communication and leadership skills

1 3 2 5

Step Two: Choose your Path

The Pathways learning experience was developed around five core competencies: public speaking, interpersonal communication, strategic leadership, management and confidence. Select the path that focuses on the competencies most important to you. Toastmasters offers an assessment to help you choose your path. Read on for more considerations and then take your assessment.

✓ **What is a path?**

A path is a group of 14 projects that target specific core competencies.

✓ **Online assessment**

The online assessment is approximately 25 questions that will return the top three recommended paths based on your goals and speaking experience.

✓ **Prefer to work from printed materials?**

There is an additional fee of \$25 to order these materials. Paths available in print include: Presentation Mastery, Leadership Development, Strategic Relationships, Dynamic Leadership and Team Collaboration. You can still take the online assessment to help you choose a path.

✓ **Need accessible materials?**

All paths are available in an [accessible format](#).

✓ **Are you interested in more details about each path?**

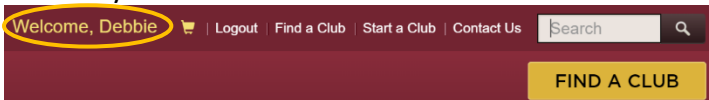
You can find a more [comprehensive description of each path and its' projects](#) on the TI website.

✓ **Second guessing your path decision?**

You have 30 days from the date you ordered your path to contact TI to change paths. Call 949.858.8255 and ask for the Education Department.

TAKE THE ASSESSMENT

#1 Click your name



#2 Select "Choose a Path"



#3 Select “Take Your Assessment”

Recommended

Base Camp

\$20

Base Camp is your online gateway to Pathways. Embarking on your Pathways journey through Base Camp is recommended because it offers full access to the Pathways learning experience and includes:

- ▶ Several path options available in multiple languages*
- ▶ Customized path recommendation based on your Pathways Assessment results
- ▶ Engaging videos, interactive activities and quizzes
- ▶ A unique evaluation resource for each project that can be completed and stored electronically
- ▶ Opportunity to earn and give digital badges
- ▶ Ability to share feedback online

*If you plan to work in a path in any language other than English, it is highly recommended that you use Base Camp. This way, you can choose from all 11 paths as opposed to two.

Take Your Assessment

Printed Materials

\$45

(Includes \$25 materials fee)

Select paths are available in print. Although you will have the resources you need to complete your path, your experience and path options are limited when compared to Base Camp. Choosing printed materials offers only partial access to the Pathways learning experience and includes:


- ▶ Five paths in English
- ▶ Two paths available in eight languages
- ▶ A unique evaluation resource for each project
- ▶ Full-color, professionally bound materials
- ▶ Standard shipping (with applicable fees)

Note: You will not be able to take the Pathways Assessment or have access to your path online.

Purchase Printed Materials

#4 You will be provided with a Best Match and two other possible paths based on how you answered the questions


Best Match



Innovative Planning

This path helps you build your skills as a public speaker, leader and project manager. Your projects focus on creating innovative solutions and building public speaking skills. These skills include developing strong audience connections, speech writing and delivery. Each project contributes to building an understanding of the steps needed to manage a project. The Innovative Planning path culminates in a "High Performance Leadership" project of your design. Not available in printed materials.


Choose this Path



Presentation Mastery

This path helps you build your skills as an accomplished public speaker. You will work through projects that focus on learning how to gauge audience response and improve your connection with audience members. Each project contributes to developing an understanding of effective public speaking technique, including speech writing and speech delivery. This path culminates in an extended speech where you can apply what you've learned.

Choose this Path



Leadership Development

This path helps you build your skills as an effective communicator and leader. You will work through projects that focus on learning how to develop and implement a plan as well as time management. Each project emphasizes public speaking and team leadership skills. The Leadership Development path culminates in the planning and execution of an event that will allow you to apply everything you learned.

Choose this Path

Additional Paths

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- ✓ Choose one of the three recommended paths, or
- ✓ Click “Additional Paths” tab to read about the other paths and choose, or
- ✓ Navigate back to path selection and select "Purchase Printed Materials"

TECH TIP

Once you choose your path and check out, it takes about 15 minutes before you can access your path in Base Camp.

Step Three: Access your Path

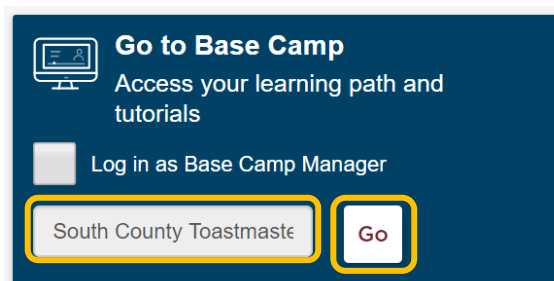
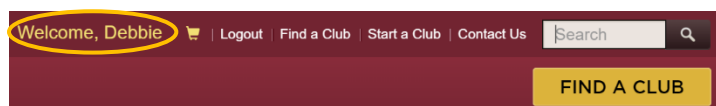
Base Camp is your gateway to the online version of Pathways. You can work on projects, track your progress, and connect with members of your club and view badges and certificates you'll earn along the way. Base Camp also features resources to help guide you, including tutorials, videos, quizzes, interactive activities and more.

GO TO BASE CAMP

#1 Click on your name

#2 Select the club you wish to sign into

#3 Click "Go"



You are now in Base Camp

WELCOME TO BASE CAMP

Base Camp is your gateway to the Toastmasters Pathways learning experience. Base Camp is where you access your educational materials, your education transcript, interactive projects and other useful tips, tools and resources. If you are new to Base Camp, select the blue Navigating Base Camp tile to learn more.

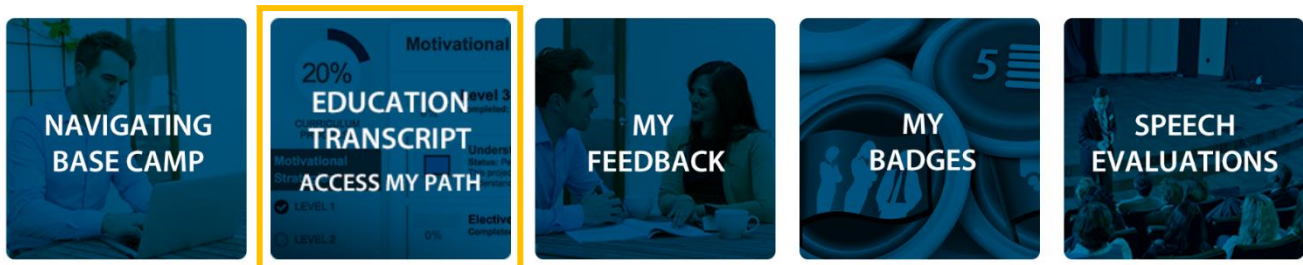
My Education Transcript	Suggested Education
<p>Action</p> <p>Dynamic Leadership</p> <p>Open Curriculum</p>	<p>No suggested training</p>

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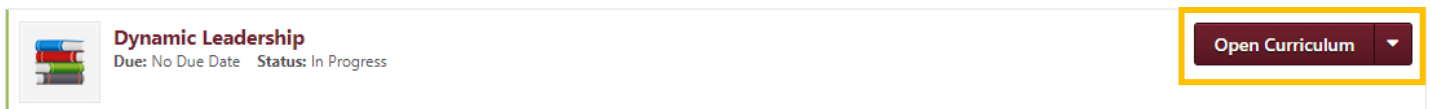
Consider reviewing the Tutorials and Resources in Base Camp.



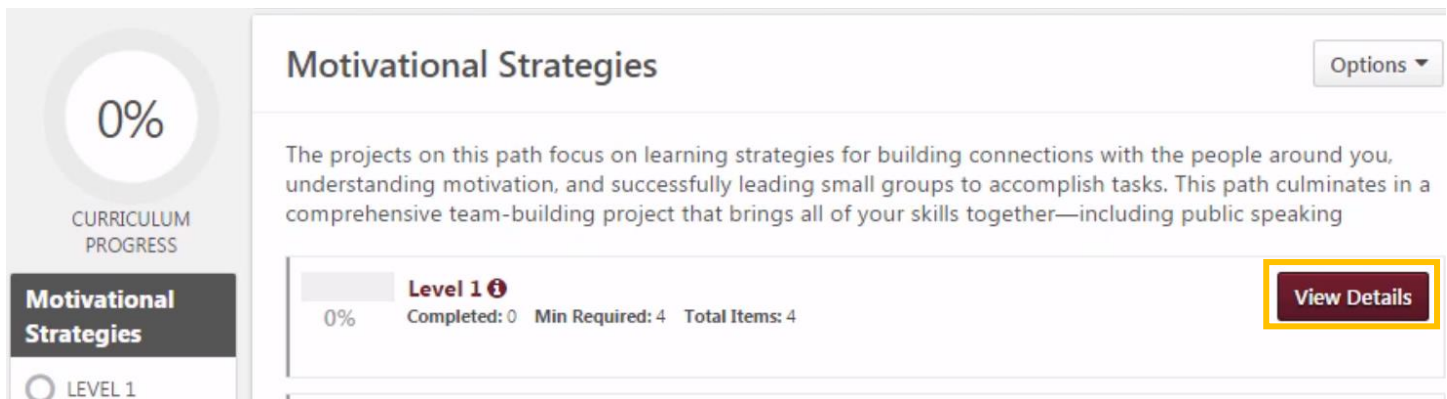
Select the tile “Education Transcript – Access My Path”



Select “Open Curriculum”



Your path curriculum will open. Select “View Details” for Level 1.




In Level 1 your only option will be to “Activate” your Ice Breaker project. This project must be completed before you can move on to any other projects.

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Level 1

Completed: 0 Min Required: 4 Total Items: 4



Ice Breaker
Status: Not Activated **Due:** No Due Date
 This is a foundational project designed to introduce members to their club and the skills they need to begin their Toastmasters journey.

Activate

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Step Four: Working through a Project

Components of a project

Introduction	Overview of the project	Read this
Download/print a project checklist	Steps needed to work through the project	Read this (printing optional)
Assess Your Skills Before	Short assessment evaluating your skill level prior to performing the project	Required
Educational content	Information to read, videos, and other interactive learning opportunities to help you prepare for your project	Read at least once before preparing for your project
Download/print your evaluation resource	Used by your evaluator when you perform your project	Required
Download/print my project	PDF of the majority of the educational content in the slides (useful if you are going to be working offline on the project)	(optional)
Assess Your Skills After	Same assessment you performed prior to your project	Required

NAVIGATING A PROJECT

All the content you need for your project launches in a new browser tab (if you disabled pop-up blockers), including educational content to read, videos, pre and post assessment, project checklist, and evaluation resource.

- ✓ Arrows on left and right allow you to move forward and backward through each individual slide
- ✓ Red text with an underline is a hyperlink to documents that can be viewed, printed or downloaded
- ✓ Drop down at the bottom allows you to navigate quickly to a different section of the project

YOU AND YOUR GOALS

When you took your Pathways Assessment, you were asked to identify your basic public speaking and leadership goals—the reason you came to Toastmasters and what you hoped to gain. It may be helpful to think back to that experience and share some of those goals in your "Ice Breaker" speech.

You may also use this Ice Breaker Speech Outline Worksheet to help you collect and develop your thoughts. A clear, thorough outline will assist you in crafting your speech and sharing your communication and leadership goals with the audience within the allotted time.

[View Ice Breaker Speech Outline Worksheet](#)

[Download Ice Breaker Speech Outline Worksheet](#)

Select to move to another section:

TOASTMASTERS WHERE LEADERS ARE MADE

Dynamic Leadership 1: Ice Breaker

After you perform your project and take the post assessment, your project should display a red check mark indicating it has been completed.

Ice Breaker

Status: Completed Due: No Due Date

This foundational project is designed to introduce you to your club and the skills you need to begin your Toastmasters journey.

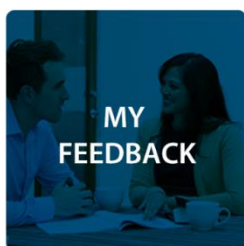
Launch

PATHWAYS PROJECT TIPS

- ✓ **You must perform BOTH the pre and post assessment of a project in order for it to show completed.**
- ✓ Hold on to your written evaluations (or better yet, store them in your E-portfolio in Base Camp)! You will need to show these to your Vice President of Education when you complete a level.
- ✓ Once you complete your Ice Breaker, your other projects in Level 1 will be available to launch and work through.
- ✓ **Read projects carefully!** The ***Evaluation and Feedback project*** in level one is actually made up of **three components: delivering two speeches** and performing an **oral and written evaluation of another member**.
- ✓ You can work through projects in any order within a level.

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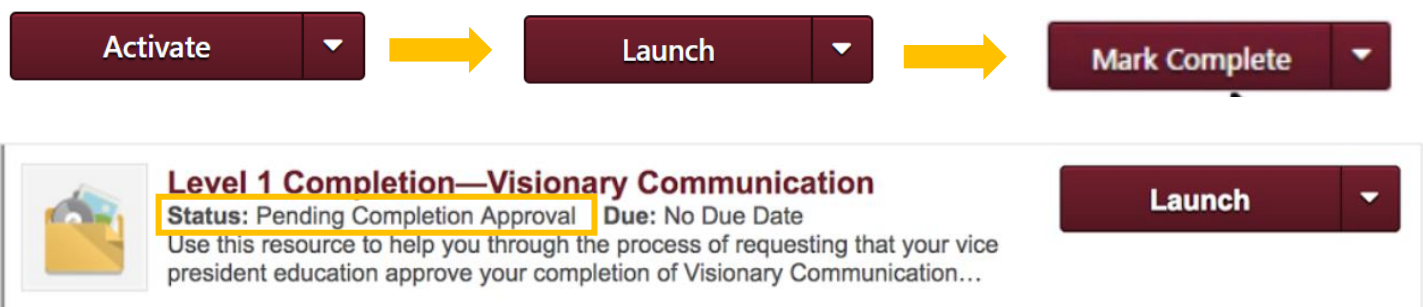
You can also download your evaluation resource from this tile in Base Camp. You will need to know the name of the project to access it.



Step Five: Complete a Level

Once you have completed all the projects in a level, “Activate” the level completion activity, “Launch” the activity and read the .pdf to confirm you’ve completed all level requirements, then “Mark Complete.” This will put your level in a pending completion approval status. Your Vice President of Education will get an automated notification that you have completed a level. Be prepared to show the VPE your completed evaluations. Once the VPE approves the request, you can access the next level’s projects.

NOTE: If you are a member of multiple clubs, which ever club you selected when you entered Base Camp, will be prompted to approve your level completion when you select “Mark Complete.” Make sure that you have your desired club selected.



If you are working from printed materials, you will need to fill out the [Level Completion Form](#) and turn it into your VPE.

Congratulations!

You’re off to a great start. We encourage you to explore Base Camp and all its features, like:

- ✓ Tracking your meeting roles (Grammarian, Topicsmaster, Timer, etc.)
- ✓ Request feedback from your fellow club members
- ✓ Give feedback to your fellow club members
- ✓ Store your evaluations in your E-portfolio

Other helpful resources:

[Toastmasters Navigator](#)

[Toastmaster Magazine](#)

[District 8 Toastmasters website](#)

Member _____

PATH _____

Level One:
Mastering Fundamentals of Speaking

Projects:

#1. The Ice Breaker

Title: _____

#2. Evaluation & Feedback

Speech 1 _____

Speech 2 _____

Evaluation _____

#3. Researching & Presenting

Speech _____

Completed _____



Level Two:
Learning Your Style

Projects:

#1. Required Project

#2. Required Project

#3. Introduction to Toastmasters Mentoring

Completed _____



Level Three:
Increasing Your Knowledge

Projects:

#1. Required Project

Title: _____

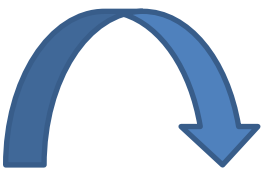
#2. Elective Project

Title _____

#3. Elective Project

Title _____

Completed _____



Level Four"
Building Skills

Projects:

#1. Required Project

Title: _____

#2. Elective Project

Title _____

Completed: _____



Level Five:
Demonstrating Expertise

Projects:

#1. Required Project

Title: _____

#2. Reflect on your Path

Title _____

#3. Elective Project

Title _____

Completed _____



Completed Path

Date: _____