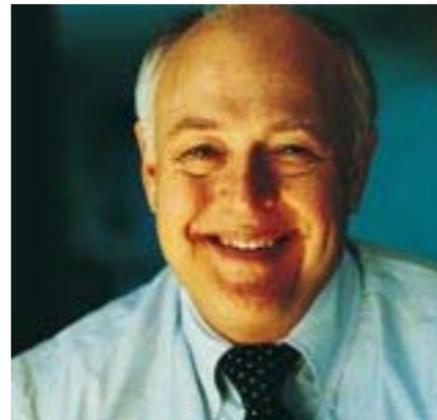
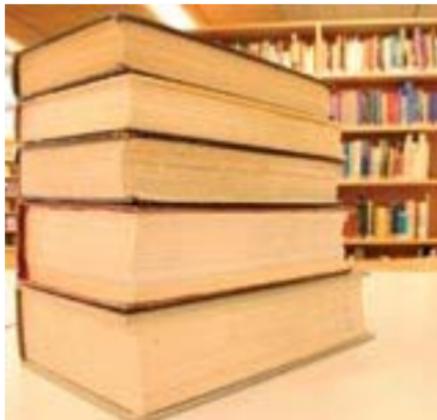




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Welcome to the New *Education Brief* Newsletter

Education Brief, the first in a series of education newsletters, will provide news and information on a variety of continuous improvement topics such as this month's article on Change Management. It will be e-mailed to you bi-monthly. We welcome your thoughts about this newsletter. Feel free to share them with [us](#) or with [other members](#).

Cover Story

Creating a Shift: Making a Compelling Case for Change

What are the four essential questions to ask before a change process is launched? The final two are addressed in this segment of a two-part article. ([more...](#))

This Month's Features

Easing the Pain of Organizational Change

"Change is more painful than death," says Maryann Brennan, a nationally recognized Baldrige expert. This tongue-in-cheek statement is actually based upon studies that indicate that, for many people, the stress of dealing with some types of change (especially multiple changes) is equal to, or greater than, dealing with the death of a family member. ([more...](#))

Focusing on Alignment to Create Change

Jay Marino looks at how to impact change in your school district through alignment. ([more...](#))

Planning for Quality in Education K-12

A recent article in *QED News*, a benefit of ASQ's [Education Division Forum](#), shows how a quality initiative is having a positive impact on the Mt. Lebanon (PA) School District. ([more...](#))

Of Interest

Free Quality in Education Blog

ASQ launched Jay Marino's [Quality in Education blog](#) in November. The organization hopes educational professionals will interact with Marino's blog to share resources, discussions and insights that will help educators along the road to continuous improvement.

Check Out Education Web Forum

Visit ASQ's [Education Division Web forum](#) for announcements, links, a message board and other education related information.

Learn About Facilitating Continuous Improvement in Education

ASQ will offer "[Facilitating Continuous Improvement in Education](#)" July 17-21 in Milwaukee. The course is for K-12 administrators and educators, education consultants and anyone seeking to implement continuous improvement in the education environment.

Education Leadership Summit for Superintendents Slated for June

ASQ's [Education Leadership Summit for Superintendents](#) will be held June 26-27 at the Renaissance Vinoy Resort and Golf Club in St. Petersburg, FL.

IBM Toolkit Available for Educators

The [IBM Reinventing Education Change Toolkit](#) was created to provide educators with real, actionable tools to support leadership development and change management expertise. The free service was created by IBM in partnership with [Rosabeth Moss Kanter](#), one of the world's leading experts on leadership and change management.

Publications

Free chapter from *Making Change Work* ([more...](#))

Next month's topic: Alignment

"The best way to predict the future is to create it." -Peter Drucker

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