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Terre Haute start-up Prof-desk.com offers a free online course management system to school districts globally. The Prof-desk system encourages online learning through resources, games, quizzes and through its social network platform that make it easy to communicate important class information and to conduct tutoring sessions.

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The founder of Prof-desk.com announces the official launch of its free online course management system. High school teachers and students now have access to more than 400 educational resources—including online educational games—a homework forum, online grade book and many other beneficial learning tools.

Prof-desk creators spent the last 2 years perfecting the course management system and anticipate Prof-desk to be a major game-changer for the high school classroom. In an economy where schools have had to cut back on technology, Prof-desk fills a gap by allowing students to learn in an online environment, something most universities require. Neither students nor school districts have to pay for the system—it's completely free.

"Just because our service is free doesn't mean it's not powerful," said Matthew Fouts, Prof-desk CEO. "It's our mantra to innovate a free online learning resource for every student, and, as a result, we'll help struggling school districts whose technology and education budgets continually get cut."

According to a study completed by the American Association of School Administrators, 43 percent of school district respondents reported budget cuts of 10 percent or less for the 2010 academic year, and 21 percent reported cuts of 11 to 25 percent. Budget cuts commonly affect transportation, textbook, technology and extracurricular spending.

Prof-desk facilitates communication amongst educators and students from all over the world, but it also facilitates communication on a micro-level. The course management system is designed to be a social network, so that all faculty and staff at an individual school can communicate and share resources. Similarly, teachers can communicate with their students both privately and as a class by posting homework information, answering questions and posting grades through the online grade book.

"Some compare Prof-desk to LinkedIn or Facebook, which we take as a compliment," said Fouts. "If more than 600 million enjoy using Facebook, then we're confident educators and students will see the value in Prof-desk, too."

To learn more about the Prof-desk capabilities, view the video demonstration of the site by visiting <http://www.prof-desk.com/about>.

The Prof-desk course management system was founded by Matthew Fouts in June 2009. Based out of Terre Haute, Indiana, Fouts now leads a dedicated team of professional website developers, designers, and knowledge managers to build lasting relationships with school districts and educators. Prior to founding Prof-desk, Fouts established Rose-learning; a local one-on-one and national online tutoring company that provides educational assistance for hundreds of students. To learn more, visit <http://www.Prof-desk.com>.

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