



PGCPS FIN LIT NEWS

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS | MARCH 2022

Semester Mantra: Give Yourself Grace
(and read this newsletter)

IMPORTANT CALENDAR ITEMS



FIN LIT PD
SPRING
2022
LINK

- **CHAT N CHEW WITH SUSAN BISTRANSIN:** WEDNESDAY MARCH 6, 5:30 PM (1 HOUR) TOPIC: CURRICULUM UPDATES, Personal Finance Challenge
- **PERSONAL FINANCE CHALLENGE:** PGCPS TEACHER APPLICATIONS DUE BY MARCH 18 (**\$500 STIPEND**)
- **NGPF CERTIFICATION COHORT #21: Starts Mar 11, 2022**
- **NGPF ON-DEMAND COURSES:** any day - any time!
- **PAID PD: WEDNESDAY MARCH 16, 5-7 PM "MAKE FIN LIT FUN"**
- **APRIL IS FINANCIAL LITERACY MONTH.** How will your school meet the challenge?

NEW FINANCIAL LITERACY SYLLABUS:

BEGIN WITH UNIT 3

MOVE UNITS 1 AND 2 TO THE END OF THE SEMESTER

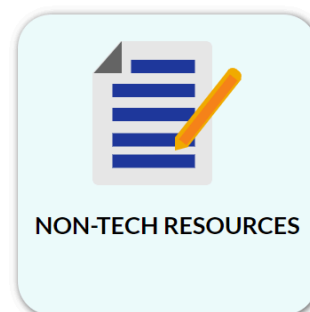
FEEDBACK: POSITIVE SO FAR!



NEW TEACHER TOOLKIT!

What's new on the NGPF website? Plenty! Check out the new teacher toolkit and the improved search bar. Here is a taste of what is new:

Implement NGPF In Your Classroom



NGPF NEWSLETTERS

Click the link to see NGPF's latest newsletter. Lots of resources, contest winners, and links to lessons!

CURIOUS ABOUT CRYPTO?

CHECK OUT THE NGPF ON-DEMAND COURSES:



Investing

Basics of Bitcoin

Learn the basics of Bitcoin and the reasons behind its surging interest among investors



Current Events

Basics of Non-Fungible Tokens (NFTs)

Learn about these new digital assets and why they are capturing attention



Lessons

MINI UNITS

MU-8.0 Cryptocurrency

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MU-8.1 What is Cryptocurrency?

MINI UNITS

MU-8.3 Cryptocurrency in Action

MINI UNITS

MU-8.4 Speculating in Cryptocurrency

VIRTUAL PD

3/17/2022 - 5 in 50: Cryptocurrency Mini-Unit

In this 5 in 50 session, we'll look at 5 resources in NGPF's Cryptocurrency mini-unit that you can bring immediately to your students! Be ready to collaborate and share ideas with other educators!

EVERFI SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The EVERFI Team wanted to take a moment to share some great



scholarship opportunities that are available to your students this spring:

- [Truist Financial Foundations Scholarship Contest](#) - Due by May 6th
- [EVERFI's Spring U.S. Student Scholarship Content](#) - Due by May 6th
- [Intuit's #LeadingconEducación Scholarship Contest](#) - Due by May 8th

Please note that Intuit's #LeadingconEducación Scholarship Contest is only open to students of Hispanic heritage.

Please be sure to honor your certificate holders in Financial Literacy Month (April).

EVERFI FIN LIT MONTH ACTIVITY:

There's still time for you and your students to [register](#) and kick-off Financial Literacy Month with us. This is a great opportunity for your students to hear from Truist teammates on how to build a secure financial future and gain insight into possible career paths.

Key Event Details:

- **What:** Virtual Career Roundtable: Truist Financial Foundations
- **When:** Thursday, **March 24th, 10:00 AM ET**
- **Where:** This live discussion will take place on Zoom. [Register now!](#)



Sign-up for a free account with the Maryland Council on Economic Education [here](#).

TAKE A LOOK AT THESE TWO OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR SPRING SEMESTER STUDENTS!

STOCK MARKET GAME: Have you thought about playing the Stock Market Game but did not know where to start? We can help you with implementation, classroom management ideas, and activities. **Thanks to a special grant, Prince George's County Stock Market Games teams can play for free.** Get your questions answered by reaching out to Mary Metzler, Program Coordinator for MCEE at mmetzler@towson.edu.

PERSONAL FINANCE CHALLENGE: Did you know there is a nationwide competition that provides high school students the opportunity to build and demonstrate their knowledge of money management? Students and teachers will have the opportunity to win cash prizes at both the state and national levels. **\$500.00 Stipends will be provided to Prince George's County teachers who have teams participate. SIGN UP BY MARCH 18.** Training will happen on February 10, 2022. Contact Mary Metzler at MCEE for more info at mmetzler@towson.edu.

- **TCT and Intuit** have partnered to provide access to some great simulations: TurboTax and Mint. TurboTax allows students to use the actual TurboTax portal to file taxes for fictional characters and Mint has 4 simulations on Banking, Budgeting, Credit Cards, and Credit Scores.
- Check out the [PGCPS Fin Lit Professional Development](#) page for access to webinars from Intuit and TCT.

COURSE WEBSITE LINK



[FINANCIAL LITERACY FOR TEENS SEMESTER COURSE WEBSITE](#)

It is very important that you are following the **Fin Lit Course Outline and Pacing Guide** found on the homepage of this site! **CHECK OUT THE CHANGES FOR SPRING 2022.**



ON YOUR OWN COAST TO COAST

The word is in, and the **On Your Own** life simulation program got rave reviews from the teachers who used it in the first semester. This software is available through the end of this school year, so if you haven't tried it, come to the **Professional Development on MARCH 16** to hear from PGCPS teachers who did.

APRIL IS FINANCIAL LITERACY MONTH

PGCPS CHALLENGE: Each school is asked to do at least one thing to commemorate Fin Lit Month. Go big or go small, just spread the word about Financial Literacy in your school!

Ideas: Reel Wealth Contest, Advocate at the Md Senate and House, create a display case or bulletin board, morning announcements, celebrate your EverFi Certificate holders, SEC Virtual Open House, Host a screening of the Savvy Documentary, participate in the Personal Finance Challenge or Stock Market Game, have students apply for EverFi Scholarships, host a financial literacy information session for your PTSA, Students can complete a "[Map your money journey](#)" online self-assessment to see where they are on their journey today and learn about steps they can take for their future. (CFPB)

NGPF HAS PROVIDED GIFTS FOR PARTICIPATING TEACHERS!

REEL WEALTH CONTEST

Have your students create Instagram reels about Financial Literacy and win prizes! [Check out the details in this presentation.](#) The contest runs from March 16 to April 30, 2022. Prizes will be awarded to the top three videos and the teachers of the winners.

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