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Our Mission

The mission of the Maryland Council on Economic Education is to assure that Maryland's school children leave high school equipped with the economic and financial literacy knowledge and decision-making skills they will need to make informed, rational decisions as consumers, workers, citizens, savers, investors and participants in the global economy.

Our Impact

In FY2021, MCEE delivered 55 programs, with 1,404 teacher participants, impacting 126,414 Maryland students. Our efforts are organized around three core objectives:

1. Providing statewide forums for Maryland students to demonstrate skills and apply financial and economic knowledge to enhance classroom learning.

- ***The Maryland Stock Market Game™***
2,851 Maryland teams, 325 teachers and over 10,000 students participated in this national investment simulation.
- ***Economics Challenge***
31 teams of 11th and 12th graders demonstrated their knowledge of high school economics. Making history the top Adam Smith and David Ricardo teams in Maryland both placed first in the National Economics Challenge competition in May 2021, for the third year in a row.
- ***Personal Finance Challenges***
21 teams of Maryland high school students competed using their personal finance knowledge. The top winning Maryland team competed in the National Competition and placed second in the competition.
- ***"A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words" Poster Contest***
Over 160 K-8 students from 13 schools representing 10 Maryland school districts visually depicted core economic and financial literacy concepts.

2. Educating Maryland teachers and preparing them to effectively teach economic and financial capability concepts.

- ***Financial Education Summit for Teachers***
120 Maryland teachers participated in financial literacy topics for use with students in their teaching.
- ***Financial Literacy Institutes***
16 Prince George's County teachers attended an Investing Course in which key concepts were covered, teaching strategies were modeled, and classroom materials were provided.
- ***System-Wide Trainings***
At the invitation of Maryland school systems, MCEE conducted 12 trainings in Economics and/or Financial Literacy to over 230 teachers impacting over 23,000 students.

3. Engaging the broader community in our mission.

- ***Financial Education Network***
Financial Education Network (formerly Maryland Coalition for Financial Literacy) brings together key stakeholders to advocate for the expansion of rigorous financial education so that all Marylanders, especially students, have the knowledge needed to make informed financial decisions in today's complex financial environment.
- ***Maryland State Department of Education Partnership***
MSDE Financial Education Advisory Council participant and key implementation partner in the development of Maryland's personal financial literacy standards.
- ***Collaboration and Advocacy***
Recognized leadership in advancing the agenda of financial education through various task forces, commissions, public hearing testimony, and outreach efforts.