

March 2023 Newsletter

Dear Friends,

Happy Women's History Month! This month, we're honoring the inspiring women who paved the way for others in personal finance and economics. And we're looking ahead at an exciting April packed with programs, celebrations, and workshops for educators and students!

MCEE has been quite busy this past month. We heralded our Fall Stock Market Game™ winners (check out some recent media coverage here and here!), spoke with The Get Real Estate Podcast about the financial literacy curriculum in Maryland, and prepared for Financial Education Month in April!

This Spring, we'll be all about celebration. We'll be celebrating educator growth at our Economic and Financial Education Summit, celebrating incredible students at our annual awards event, and celebrating incredible teachers at the Financial Education and Capability Awards. We hope you'll join us.

In the meantime, I invite you to consider ways that you can celebrate personal finance and economics education in *your* networks. Who is doing great work, who needs support, and who is setting an example worth elevating? I encourage you to spread the word about their work and support them however you can.

Looking forward,
Julie Weaver
MCEE Executive Director

Preview: June 28 Financial and Economic Education Summit for Teachers



On Wednesday, June 28, hundreds of Maryland educators will convene at The Hotel at Arundel Preserve in Hanover, MD for our Financial and Economic Education Summit! This day-long event will foster connection, collaboration, and exploration on how they can deliver personal finance and economics education in creative ways that engage students and spark their curiosity.

This year, the summit will help educators make financial education meaningful through a variety of academic subjects, from social studies and math to family and consumer sciences, English, and business. Join us for 20+ informative sessions on topics like the psychology of money, teaching personal finance through literature and mathematics, new ways to understand insurance, understanding economic systems and more. We also will have a dedicated track of courses for teachers of AP Economics!

Participants registration fees are covered by MCEE. We can't wait to see you there!

Learn more and register here

Upcoming Educator Events



 March 25 - Maryland Council for Social Studies Conference: MCEE is proud to co-host this impactful professional development conference and to present a workshop on Globalization: The Study of Trade in Economics, Geography and History. More.

- March 25 Using Behavioral Economics Concepts to Teach the Maryland Personal
 Finance Standards: 6th-12th grade educators can earn one MSDE Credit by attending this
 immersive professional development program. <u>Details</u>.
- March 26 Case Studies: Why, How, and When: Hosted by Next Gen Personal Finance, attendees at this free virtual workshop will learn to utilize case studies that spark discussion and critical thinking about personal finance in their classroom. <u>Details</u>.
- March 27-29 CEE Webinars: Educators, check out a variety of helpful Council on Economic Education webinars coming up next week and covering topics like <u>AP</u> <u>Microeconomics</u>, <u>water scarcity</u>, and <u>ReadyAssessments</u>.
- April 5 SIFMA: Let's Trade Today: This free webinar provides Stock Market Game™
 teachers with practical tools to help engage students in investing. More.

Student Program Updates and Opportunities



- Women's History Month Resources: Use Women's History Month a learning tool with MCEE resources, including an activity calendar and profile cards honoring women leaders in personal finance. Find it all here.
- April 3-14, 18 & 20 Economic Challenge: This immersive competition tests students' understanding of macro and microeconomic concepts. <u>Details.</u>
- April 17 to June 9 Stock Market Game™ Enrichment Session: Educators can register
 their classes for this non-competitive session a great activity to keep students engaged and
 learning after their standardized testing and before summer. Learn more.
- April 22 Personal Finance Challenge: This one-day competition challenges students to demonstrate their understanding of personal finance. Learn more and sign up today.

Awards Season!

This spring, we'll be honoring the amazing educators and students across Maryland who are thriving in personal finance education.

- April 26: The Financial Education and Capability Awards will celebrate the incredible
 work and commitment of public school teachers, community members, and organizations
 who go above and beyond to deliver financial education to Maryland children. MCEE is
 proud to present these awards in partnership with CASH Campaign of Maryland and the
 Maryland State Department of Education. Learn more.
- May 17: MCEE's annual Student Achievement Awards at Towson University honor the accomplishments of the many students who excelled in the Stock Market Game, Personal Finance Challenge, Economics Challenge, Investwrite, and Poster Contest. Details here.

Educators: Tells Us What You Think

Educators and school administrators: do you have thoughts on how MCEE can better support your work and your students? Are there topics or concepts you'd like us to cover in our programs, or resources you'd like us to provide? Share your suggestions and ideas in our new feedback survey! We want to ensure you have what you need to deliver personal financial education. Help us help you by completing this quick survey today! Find it here (note: educators must log in to access the survey).

Educator Spotlight: Amy Cargiulo Encourages Reflection
Through Personal Finance



Through a steadfast commitment to personal finance education and an emphasis on reflection, Amy Cargiulo of Waverly Elementary in Howard County is changing her students' lives. Read our latest

Educator Spotlight <u>here</u> to discover how she is leading students in the Stock Market Game™ and Investwrite so they can learn and grow.

Sponsor In Focus: Wells Fargo

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