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Engaging Students in Financial and Economic Literacy with Free Resources

Abstract

Presentation covers opportunities to engage 3rd-12th grade students in hands-on financial and economic materials that meet Iowa's content requirements. This session will introduce you to the Dordt College Center for Economic Education, the services available and free resources available to teachers.

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Comments

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Center for Economic Education

- **VISION:** To be the leading economic and financial literacy resource for K-12 schools, teachers, students, and community in Northwest Iowa who want to integrate economics, personal finance, and marketplace topics into their curricula.
- **TEAM MEMBERS:**
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 - Ed Starkenburg and Kay De Boom



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 - School Business Economy and Lawn Boy Materials
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- Dordt College – High School Business Mgmt Competition
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- State Financial Literacy Taskforce
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- There are no economic or personal finance standards required in the state of Iowa
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- We are the only “faith-based” center in the nation providing these resources
- We are the only active center in Iowa
- We are building a unique resource library at Dordt



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Iowa Stock Market Game

- Upcoming **FREE** game dates:
 - Oct. 6 – Dec. 12
 - Jan. 20 – March 27
 - Feb. 17 – April 24
- Awards: The top 3 winning teams from each division over all game sessions will be invited to a luncheon awards banquet at Dordt College after final game session. Prizes will be awarded.
- Registration: www.stockmarketgame.org
- FREE webinars available for teachers



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Iowa Stock Market Game

Also coordinating with the stock market game is an optional competition:

- 1) InvestWrite Essay Contest – can help meet part of your Financial Literacy and English Writing standards

Award Divisions Include The Following:

- Adult & Teacher Division
- Post-Secondary/College Division
- High School Division
- 6th-8th Grade Division
- 3rd-5th Grade Division

The overall winners merge from all 3 game sessions



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Example Sample Resources

- *Council for Economic Education Resources*
<http://www.councilforeconed.org/resources/>
- NEFE – High School Financial Planning Program
 - www.hsfpp.org
 - Alignment to the Iowa Standards
<http://www.hsfpp.org/Portals/o/State%20Standards/Iowa.pdf>
- EconEdLink – Free Online Resources <http://www.econedlink.org/>
- Financial Literacy Resources - <http://www.tsinstitute.org/curriculum/>
- Foundation for Teaching Economics - <http://www.fte.org/>
- Curriculum Mapping – In progress with TS Institute





2014-2015 Events

- Iowa Stock Market Game
- Economics Poster Contest (Just released)
- Business Management Competition (Spring 2015)
- Dordt Discovery Days (June 22-26, 2015)
 - 5 day camp at Dordt for 6th, 7th, 8th grade completers
 - <http://www.dordt.edu/events/ddd/>
- Heartland Christian Educators Conference – Oct. 2 & 3, 2014
 - 2 day teacher conference at Dordt College
 - http://heartlandchristianschools.com/?page_id=177
- Annual Financial Literacy & Economic Education Conference, Oct. 9-11, 2014 in Dallas, TX



Questions or Suggestions?

We would love to hear your questions at this time...

If you think of more questions later, please feel free to contact us at:

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