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Your go-to resource for timely personal finance education, resources and services

High School Financial Literacy Resources

It's August and the 2023-2024 school year has begun. To provide assistance as you work to boost students' understanding of financial concepts, OKMM offers age-appropriate programs and tools. The earlier students learn to master their money, the brighter their financial future will be.

Classroom Resources

The following resources can encourage discussion and provide training for students on budgeting, banking, saving, and other financial topics. Use our publications, videos and online learning modules to supplement your current curriculum.

Your Money Matters Guide – High School Edition is a 16-page color booklet highlighting budgeting, saving, college planning, banking, and consumer credit in a fun, informative way that's relevant to high school students. Download this resource from OklahomaMoneyMatters.org or direct your students to the [website](https://OklahomaMoneyMatters.org).



Self-paced learning modules help students navigate important financial decisions. Each of OKMM's six modules contain learning objectives, tools, a quiz, and a completion certificate. Our current module selection explores the following:

- **Budgeting:** Get the most out of your money by creating a realistic spending plan.

- **Saving & Banking:** Explore how to plan for your future, build wealth and find the right financial institution.
- **Auto Loans:** Look beyond the monthly payment to get the best car for your needs.
- **Money Management for College Students:** Make your money work for you while living the college life.
- **Transitioning to Independence:** Learn to successfully navigate your financial life after college.
- **Love & Money:** Protect your financial future no matter your relationship status.

PDF versions of the module quizzes and answer keys are available. Contact us at OklahomaMoneyMatters@ocap.org if you need assistance.

Money Talks Podcasts

Our podcasts are perfect for supplementing lessons and providing multimedia experiences for students. Each session is three to five minutes long and covers financial aid, identity theft prevention, savvy saving strategies, and understanding your credit score. Find our podcasts here: [OKMM MoneyTalks podcasts](#)

Activities

Our classroom activities complement the [Your Money Matters guide](#) for high school students by highlighting budgeting, saving, college planning, banking, and consumer credit.

- [Budgeting Activity](#)
- [Budgeting Scenario Cards](#)
- [Credit Activity](#)
- [Identity Theft Activity](#)
- [Middle School SMART Goals](#)
- [Saving Activity](#)
- [Saving & Banking Activity](#)
- [Saving & Banking Scenario Cards](#)



High School Students: Managing Your Money

Our website content specific to high school students is perfect for teacher-led or independent money management exploration. Students learn about:

- **Setting Up a Budget:** Create a spending plan, prioritize expenses, save for the future, and stay out of debt.
- **Keeping Up with Others:** Prioritize what you'd like to have, then plan to save for what means the most.
- **Spending Wisely:** Find ways to maximize money.
- **Inexpensive Entertainment:** Find budget-friendly ideas for entertainment and dining out.
- **Building Credit:** Build a positive character reference and establish credibility.
- **Saving for the Future:** Follow tips for saving success.
- **Setting Goals:** Set goals using the SMART goal process.
- **Preparing for College:** Pre-plan for living on a college budget.
- **Identity Theft Prevention:** Prevent being a victim of fraud.

Other Resources

- [Personal Budgeting Tool](#)
- [Online Clearinghouse](#)
- [Calculators](#)
- [Publications](#)
- [News](#)

If your time and resources are limited, let us help you integrate financial education into the work you're already doing. Please email us at OklahomaMoneyMatters@ocap.org to find out how we can help.

Financial Friday

Check out August's edition of [Financial Friday](#), Oklahoma Money Matters' online personal finance question-and-answer forum. This month, we answered a reader's question about organizing financial tasks so you remember financial deadlines and don't misplace important financial documents.

As always, if you have money-saving tips you'd like to share, send us an email at OklahomaMoneyMatters@ocap.org or [submit a personal finance question](#) for a future edition of **Financial Friday**.



MAKE IT COUNT WEBINAR SERIES

Mark your calendars for upcoming OKMM 'Make It Count' webinars on the third Tuesday of every month.

Join us for September's presentation: The FAFSA and Financial Aid. When it comes to paying for college, it's important to know all the costs and have a plan to cover them. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA, is your first step in applying for financial assistance for college.

Join us and our friends from UCanGo2 **Tuesday, Sept. 19, at noon** to learn everything you need to know about applying for financial aid, the new simplified FAFSA form, and how those changes will affect your students and their parents. Register to attend here: <http://tiny.cc/OKMMWebinarSept2023>.

Training Opportunities

We offer webinars for educators, students and parents on budgeting, saving, credit, and more. To schedule an event, please complete our workshop form and we'll contact you to plan the details.



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