

Campbell Collegiate is so excited to announce TWO brand new classes: Financial Literacy 20 & 30

Leader Post Article (Feb 10, 2020) https://leaderpost.com/news/saskatchewan/financial-literacy-classes-now-available-to-all-sask-high-schools/

After a successful pilot project, financial literacy classes for high school students can now be offered in every school division across the province.

For the past two years, Financial Literacy 20/30 classes have been in the works. Shawn Davidson, president of the Saskatchewan School Boards Association (SSBA) said the idea was sparked out of the SSBA's annual general meeting in 2017.

"We recognized the need for this and there was a real concerted lobby effort that started taking place," said Davidson. Even with his own two daughters, he realized they had a lot of questions about budgeting and taxes after they graduated high school. "I certainly on a very personal level saw the need for enhanced opportunities for students in this area."

The idea was taken to the Ministry of Education and in March 2018, the provincial government began working on the curriculum for the two high school classes in partnership with SSBA and the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce. "There's a tremendous amount of interest out there ... The schools that have offered the financial literacy program had very good uptake from the students," said Davidson.

Susan Nedelcov-Anderson, assistant deputy minister of education, said the province also received positive feedback and that the goal of the classes is to create educated consumers.

Campbell Course Descriptions:

Financial Literacy 20 (NO prerequisite)

Students make financial decisions every day so the purpose of this course is to help students (consumers) with the habits, attitudes, and critical thinking skills necessary to approach financial decisions ethically and with competence and confidence.

The seven areas of study include: Earning, Saving, Spending, Borrowing, Sharing, Investing, and Protecting. The course is an introduction financial literacy class and will address the purpose of money, importance of decision making, information security, budgeting fundamentals, cell phone contracts, maintaining accurate financial records, concept of interest and investing, and career opportunities in the financial industry.

The class will be taught with hands-on activities/simulations/case studies to build personal skills.

Financial Literacy 30 (NO prerequisite)

Financial literacy is something that everyone needs regardless of their job or income. This course aims to help students prepare for the big transition from high school life to the future (work, jobs, and/or post-secondary).

The seven areas of study include: Earning, Saving, Spending, Borrowing, Sharing, Investing, and Protecting. The course addresses more complex financial topics such as home ownership, credit cards, debt management including bankruptcy, purchasing and leasing property including vehicles, income and taxation (doing personal taxes), and planning for the future (ie. retirement) which are all part of the

lifelong financial journey.

The class will be taught with hands-on activities/simulations/case studies to build personal skills.