

## General Course Information

<b>Course Name: Personal Finance</b>	
Department: Business & Marketing	Grade Level(s): 10-12
Duration/Credits: 1 sem/.5 credit	Prerequisites: none
BOE Approval Date:	Course Code: H5400
<b>Course Description:</b>	
<p>Understanding and managing personal finances are key to one's future financial success. Students will learn how choices influence occupational options and future earning potential and to apply decision-making skills to evaluate career choices and set personal goals. The course content includes wise spending, saving, and credit decisions and effective use of income to achieve personal financial success. Students enrolled in Personal Finance are eligible to join a student business organization (FBLA).</p>	
<b>Course Rationale:</b>	
<p>Understanding and managing personal finances are key to one's future financial success. Students will analyze their personal financial decisions, evaluate the costs and benefits of their decisions, recognize their rights and responsibilities as a consumer, and apply knowledge learned in school to financial situations encountered later in life.</p>	
<b>Course Objectives:</b>	
<p>The student will demonstrate and discuss the need for establishing goals in the decision making process. (A+ Speaking and Listening)</p> <p>The student will research the education and skills related to career choices. (A+ Research)</p> <p>The student will develop a written budget plan that incorporates economic decisions, saving and spending patterns. (A+ Writing)</p> <p>The student will identify various banking services and demonstrate how to use the services available from various financial institutions.</p> <p>The student will define the difference between savings and investing while comparing the characteristics of several financial investments.</p>	