



## NJDOE News

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### **Financial Literacy Symposium Slated for Tuesday, Jan. 16**

More than 200 teachers will attend a financial literacy symposium this coming Tuesday at Rutgers University to learn tools to help them teach students the basic principles of financial literacy.

"KIDS FINANCIAL \$ENSE" will be held inside the Rutgers Busch Campus Center and is funded by the American Business Collaboration.

"All too often, we see students leave New Jersey's public education system only to be swarmed by credit card companies with invitations to sign their lives away," Commissioner of Education Lucille E. Davy said. "We want our students better-prepared to handle their finances down the road, and this symposium is a good first step."

The event, scheduled from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., coincides with Gov. Jon S. Corzine's proclamation of January as Financial Literacy Month in New Jersey. It focuses on DOE's efforts to expand financial education in public schools statewide.

The symposium is a public-private partnership sponsored by DOE, the New Jersey School-Age Children Coalition and the New Jersey Coalition for Financial Education. Teachers from kindergarten through 12th-grade, as well as after-school providers, will attend.

Commissioner Davy is scheduled to speak at 11 a.m. about the importance of financial literacy. Several financial experts will host five different workshops and cover how to incorporate financial literacy lessons in everyday classroom activities.

The agenda is attached.

[Agenda as MS Word Document](#) | [Agenda as PDF](#)

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