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GOVERNOR PROCLAIMS APRIL “FINANCIAL LITERACY FOR YOUTH MONTH”

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE OFFERS MONEY SKILLS PRESENTATIONS TO HIGH SCHOOLS

Boise, Idaho . . . In an effort to promote financial literacy, Governor Dirk Kempthorne has proclaimed April to be “Financial Literacy for Youth Month”. The Jump\$tart Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy sponsors "Financial Literacy for Youth Month" in April. The Department of Finance participates in Jump\$tart through the Idaho Financial Literacy Coalition and is proud to take part in this opportunity to draw attention to the need for young adults to obtain basic money management skills. The Department is offering basic personal finance presentations to Idaho high schools during April and throughout the year.

Department staff members are available to make in-school presentations regarding saving, investing and other personal finance issues. The 45-minute presentation is drawn from the ***Basics of Saving and Investing: A Teaching Guide***, a personal finance teaching curriculum available free of charge to Idaho teachers. In addition, a customized presentation can be tailored to the level of a particular class.

Educational materials will be distributed by the Department throughout April and many resources are available for children and adults on the Department’s website at www.finance.state.id.us. For more information or to schedule a presentation, educators are encouraged to call Patricia Highley of the Idaho Department of Finance, Securities Bureau, at (208) 332-8004 or toll free within Idaho at 1-888-346-3378. The presentations will be scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis.



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