Get Smart: The Basics of Saving and Investing
June 11, 2015 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture • Cooperative Extension Service Education Building • 2301 S. University Avenue • Little Rock, AR 72204 • Registration Fee: $25

Benjamin Franklin once said, “An investment in knowledge pays the best interest.” This one day summit will focus on the issues of saving and investing. Topics include understanding financial markets, making sound financial and investment decisions, selecting among various saving and investing options, recognizing and victim-proofing yourself against investment fraud and knowing how regulators help protect investors.


Maximum: 100 participants (K-12 teachers and University Professors)

The Economics of Sports
June 25, 2015 • University of Arkansas • Frank Broyles Athletic Center • Miller Room • Fayetteville • 8:30 a.m. • 3:30 p.m.
June 26, 2015 • War Memorial Stadium • Press Box • Little Rock • 8:30 a.m. • 3:30 p.m.
Registration Fee: $25

According to a recent Sports Illustrated article, 60 percent of former NBA players are financially broke within five years of retirement. In addition, 78% of former NFL players have gone bankrupt or are under financial stress within 2 years of retiring. This workshop will focus on the relationship between economics and the world of sports, plus it will provide participants with engaging lessons for teaching economic concepts through the lens of sports.

Maximum: 100 participants (6-12 teachers)

E³: Empowering Entrepreneurship Education
July 15, 2015 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Northwest Arkansas Community College • Shewmaker Center for Workforce Technologies • 1 College Drive • Bentonville, Arkansas 72712 • Registration Fee: $25

Learn about Arkansas’ vibrant entrepreneurial community and excite students through real-world stories and experiences. Demonstrations on integrating creative and critical thinking into your project-based learning will be given, plus teachers will learn to use economics as the thread for their Common Core units.

Maximum: 100 participants (K-12 teachers)

REAL Econ for All
Relevant, Engaging, Activity-based Learning
4th Annual Economics and Personal Finance Education Conference for K-12 Educators
July 22 - 23, 2015 • 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Daily
Wyndham Riverfront Little Rock • 2 Riverfront Place • North Little Rock, Arkansas 72114
Registration Fee: $25 for attendance one day or $40 for both days

Economics Arkansas is excited to be hosting the 4th Annual Economics and Personal Finance Education Conference for K-12 Educators. During this two-day conference, Arkansas’ premier experts in teaching economics and personal finance will lead a wide variety of sessions perfect for your grade level or subject area.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: A limited block of rooms is available at a single occupancy discounted rate of $89 per night plus tax. This rate includes a full buffet breakfast. Make reservations by June 30 to receive this rate! Contact the Wyndham Riverfront Little Rock at (501) 371-9000 and mention Economics Arkansas 4th Annual REAL Econ for All Conference.

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Economics: It’s Not Dismal Anymore
This five-day workshop is your guide to teaching the High School Economics Course!
July 27 - 31, 2015 • Little Rock, Arkansas • 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Daily
Registration Fee: $50

This workshop prepares teachers to present economics standards that will engage high school students through active participation. Participants will receive curriculum correlated to all of the New Arkansas Economics Standards and aligned to the Common Core State Standards. Participants also receive Virtual Economics@4.0, a flash drive containing over 1,400 reproducible lessons in economics and personal finance.

The workshop simulates an 18-week high school course. After completing this workshop, teachers can literally teach all the standards without any additional resources if they choose.

Maximum: 30 participants (9-12 teachers only)