You'll be money ahead if you can leave high school with a good handle on personal finances. This course is intended to help you with exactly that! You'll learn about bank accounts, credit cards, interest, taxes and withholding, credit scores, insurance, and planning for retirement (yes, that's something to think about early in your career!). Other topics include direct deposit, automatic bill paying vs. paying bills as they come, planning for emergencies, buying and owning a car and a home, student loans, and charitable giving. You'll also gain experience constructing a household budget and living within your means.

Students can expect to spend an average of 3 hours per week on homework for this class.

Econ 'N Me (Fall semester) is recommended as a companion course. A student who has taken both Econ 'N Me and Personal Finance should emerge with a level of economic literacy sufficient to navigate the financial world and engage in meaningful dialogue on the proper role of government in the economy.

Included in the course tuition are all materials (such as any textbook, workbook, handouts, etc.). You will not need to purchase any additional materials.

Course tuition: \$250