

Money Sense Curriculum Updates

This summer, our team spent time updating the curriculum for our Money Sense lessons in order to make the content more relevant to our students. Please see below for a review of some of the changes made. We encourage you to review the Prezis, Instructor Notes, and Student Workbooks to familiarize yourself with these changes. As always, please reach out to us with any questions!

Bank Your Future Updates

- Updated videos
- Added section on Budgeting apps
- Updated numbers for colleges, salaries, etc.
- Updated Building Your Budget activity
- QR code student workbook

The changes in Bank Your Future were made to reflect updated data on costs and salaries, other ways students may choose to track their expenses, and to provide more relevant examples to students.

Check It Out Updates

- Updated videos
- Choosing a Financial Institution updates
- Check writing activity now focuses on endorsing a check for mobile deposit
- Methods of Payment updates
- Peer-to-Peer Apps updates
- Added Tips for Online Shopping and Buy Now Pay Later
- New Identity Theft Activity
- Jeopardy activity taken out due to time constraints

The changes in Check It Out were made to provide more relevant information based on how students may choose to handle their money and online behavior given the many technological advances. We wanted to reflect some of the tools students may be using and give more relevant examples for discussion.

To Your Credit Updates

- Updated videos
- Updated Credit Card Offers section
- Updated some credit card tips
- What's in Your Credit Score updates
- How to Improve Your Credit Score updates
- New Credit Score activity that replaces Loan Officer Role Play activity

The changes in To Your Credit were made to offer students more examples of why building a good credit score matters now and to provide examples of how to navigate credit card offers. The new activity showcases how small actions can affect your credit score and the importance of staying on top of payments and financial decisions.