

# Financial Education Fact Sheet Series: **WEST VIRGINIA**

State Treasurer Larry Pack's office is committed to ensuring all West Virginians have access to quality financial education.

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## Get a Life Program

This 90-minute budget exercise for middle school students walks through a hands-on budget simulation. Students visit various stations from community business and volunteer groups, and they learn to manage an expense ledger. This academic year, the program is expected to reach more than 15,000 students.

## State Financial Education Requirements

West Virginia joins a growing number of states adopting financial literacy coursework as a requirement for graduation. In 2023, the state legislature passed HB1331 requiring students take a personal finance course before they graduate high school. As a result, the most recent national report card focusing on financial education in high schools published by Champlain College's Center for Financial Literacy shows West Virginia soaring to a grade "A" by 2028. That's when the new state requirement will be fully implemented.

## FUNDING/GOVERNANCE

The West Virginia Financial Education Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, partners with the Treasurer's office to govern and promote curriculum and programming, with funding from grants and donations. The Treasurer is member of the foundation's board. Government appropriations have been received in the past, but are not in the current budget.



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