#### **Tweens and Teens**

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What is financial literacy?

Why should you care?

Why is Ann here?



How can you be expected to make a good financial decision if you don't know what one looks like?



## Today's session

- Your first job
- Your first car
- Review credit cards
- College and career choice basics



A work permit is required for all teens age 14-17.

Generally, kids younger than age 14 can not legally work.



How do I get a work permit?



#### What are the rules?

- How many hours can I work?
- What kinds of jobs can I NOT do?



What the heck happened my paycheck?



Get help from a trusted adult when making the decision about whether and where to buy a car!



How much should I spend for a car?

Where do I get the money?



#### But wait, there's more...

- > Sales tax 6.25%
- Registration



#### But wait, there's even more...

Excise tax every year of \$25 per \$1,000 value, minimum \$5

\$20,000 car, excise is \$500.

\$5,000 car, excise is \$125.



#### But wait, there's still more...

Ongoing expenses include

- **≻**Insurance
- **≻** Gas
- ➤ Maintenance/repairs



Bottom line, know how much owning your car is going to cost you.

Budget for the big bills, like insurance and excise tax, putting a little aside every paycheck all year.



#### Review: Debit vs. Credit cards

What is a Debit Card?

What is a Credit Card?

\*\*Key difference is where the money comes from!



## Time Value of Money

The single biggest factor in how successful your financial plan will be is TIME!



What do you want to do for a living?

Do you need to go to college?



What can you and your parents afford?

What college is the best choice for you?



How will you pay for college?

How much SHOULD you spend?



Tie your expected income to the cost of attending your chosen school.

Then ask yourself if that's the most cost-effective way to get there.



#### **Example:**

Brendan wants to be a chef.

Brendan also wants to go to Harvard, because that's where all his friends are going.



Harvard is very expensive (>\$60k per year) and does not give Brendan any advantage over other schools for his chosen profession.



Johnson & Wales, however, is very well known for that program.

Tuition, at roughly \$29k per year is less than half that of Harvard.



But is J&W the right choice if you don't have a clue what you want to do?

Maybe not.



#### **Bottom line:**

Know what you want to get from the college you choose, and make sure it is a smart investment!



### Resources

What are some good resources for financial information?



#### Next session

January 14th

7:00 PM

Topic: Saving and

**Investing** 



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