

Students Earn Certificates in Financial Literacy via Layton State Bank Financial Scholars Program

High school students studied topics from savings and banking to taxes and insurance

New Berlin, Wis. – About 70 School District of New Berlin high school students have earned certificates in financial literacy through a partnership with [Layton State Bank](#), New Berlin.

“Preparing our students take ownership of their financial future is a key component of [College and Career Readiness](#) in the School District of New Berlin. We are so appreciative of Layton State Bank’s willingness to partner with us on this very important objective,” said Joe Garza, Superintendent.

The Layton State Bank Financial Scholars Program is [powered by EverFi](#) (a series of online modules) that students leverage to demonstrate an understanding of the key components of financial literacy. Specifically,

1. Saving
2. Banking
3. Payment Types
4. Credit Score
5. Financing Higher Education
6. Renting vs. Owning
7. Taxes and Insurance
8. Consumer Fraud
9. Investing



Layton State Bank sponsors the licensing fee for EverFi in addition to providing guest speakers along with training and support staff for the program. Those students who successfully completed the Financial Scholars Program in its entirety earned a "Financial Scholar badge" and had the opportunity to win a number of valuable prizes also sponsored by Layton State Bank.

In the past, the Layton State Bank Financial Scholars Program was used to supplement the curriculum in some of the School District’s business education classes. In 2014-15, it was offered to all freshmen through the district’s newly implemented [Advisory program](#). This was one of [many new learning experiences](#) offered in 2014-15 to provide students with a strong foundation in personal finance in alignment with the objectives outlined by the School District of New Berlin’s [Academic and Career Planning](#) curriculum.

“Ensuring that all young people are equipped with the basic knowledge they need to live independently and take control of their financial future prompted us to get involved and provide the support our schools need,” said Gary Szpara, Senior Vice President, Layton State Bank, New Berlin.

Congratulations to the following students for earning the EverFi financial literacy certificate:

New Berlin West

Alexa Billstrom	Zach Godec	Mallory Kieliszewski	Sara Liebherr
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Jordan Caminat Emily Cebasek Joy Chung Jane Cimperman Yulu Dang Kurt Davis Taylor Deckert Emily Ehrmann Jayme Ewen	Andrea Groendal Derek Holstein Caroline Horvat Misha Hutchings Cassie Jocz Drew Kellman Mallory Kieliszewski Steven Klaske Isabelle Kreif	Steven Klaske Isabelle Kreif April Kronshage Colton Kryszak Kayla Kugel Tim Kunath Lauren Kunz Sterling Leathers Hunter Leathers	Sammie Lundin Lauren Meyers Jacob Nack Alyssa Nelson Sadie Nguyen Joe Robey John Tisoris Eric Tutkowski
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New Berlin Eisenhower

Moira Arcuri Dominick Battistini Erica Brautigam Grace DeRome Radhika Dua Maddie Goral Brittany Handel Sanjana Kumar Andrew Lien	Kira Loomer Maya Lusic Michael Luy Aaron Macdonald Anna McCormack Emma Oleniczak Sagar Patel Mahee Patel Dominic Quirk	Madison Ranta Jessica Reginato Bailey Sandahl Ben Schaefer Grant Schwab Ava Seifert Maria Skoufis Evelyn Slawski Olivia Spahr	Grace Statfield Alyssa Stuckart Emma Torres Amy Weyers Olivia Wood Bailey Zanck
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