

*Some of my business classes took the National Financial Capability Challenge and scored in the top 20 percent. I received the following email from the U.S. Treasury Department. I also received an Email from the U.S. Department of Treasury listing the following website for the proclamation for National Financial Literacy Month.*

*Thanks.*

*Ann Meronek, Business Ed Teacher, D.C. Everest Senior High*

Dear Ann:

We would like to congratulate you on the achievements of your student(s) and thank you for your participation in the 2011 National Financial Capability Challenge. We believe that in today's economic times, increasing the financial knowledge and skills of American youth is critical to their futures and to the future financial stability of our country. Your support and enthusiasm in spreading the knowledge of personal finance to high school students is admirable. The Challenge was taken by more than 84,000 high school students between March 7 and April 8, 2011. Participants included students in rural areas, suburbs, and inner cities across the country, and in Department of Defense schools around the world. The average student score was 69 percent. The results reinforce our belief that there is more work to be done to prepare our young people for the financial future that awaits them. By offering the Challenge to your students, you have participated in a growing movement! to better prepare young people for an increasingly complex financial system.

The students who scored in the top 20% in the nation received a certificate from the US Treasury Department and will be eligible for 25 \$1000 scholarships being offered:

Congratulations, 15 of your students scored in the top 20 percent of students nationwide!

STUDENTS IN TOP 20 PERCENT NATIONWIDE:

DANIELLE R. BACA  
JASON A. FLISS  
MAEGAN E. HARDEN  
JAMIE L. JOHNS  
JACOB P. KOLBECK  
BENJAMIN J. LEMMER (PERFECT SCORE, 100%)  
COLTON A. MAKI  
KURT J. NESS  
CHERYL A. SHAW  
DALLAS T. SOUSEK  
KARL R. WEIRAUCH  
RANDALL J. WILK  
MARK A. WILKE  
JOSH J. ZAHRT  
CLINT J. ZEISMER, JR.