

Lone Jack Students are Becoming MONEY SMART!

Thanks to Commercial Bank and Casey Martin, Lone Jack School Center's students are participating in "an exciting interactive exploration of the concepts of money." The program Commercial Bank is providing is standards-aligned and extends across the curriculum, including Math, Language Arts, and Social Studies. The program helps students develop financial foundations that equip them with 21st-Century skills and tools that last a lifetime.

Casey Martin, Business Development and Sales Lead at Commercial Bank, visited Lone Jack on Friday, February 10, 2017 to teach a series of lessons. Students in grades Kindergarten through 2nd were taught to identify and evaluate saving and spending, recognize a bank as a safe place to save, and create a savings jar or piggy bank. Students in third through fifth grades were able to identify and explore different types of jobs, evaluate personal interests related to careers, explain how money is earned and why it is taxed, and explain what an entrepreneur is. Sixth through eighth grade students could create a balanced budget that takes into consideration spending, saving, and giving; and analyze personal decision making when crafting a budget at the conclusion of the lesson.

While Mrs. Martin was visiting Lone Jack, students participating in the SMART CENTS Savings Program, made their monthly deposits. Students are motivated and excited to add to their Savings each month.

Lone Jack School Center Faculty and Staff would like to give a sincere thanks to Commercial Bank for giving back to the community in a way that will impact future generations. They would also like to give a BIG thanks to Casey Martin, who is truly dedicated to preparing high quality lessons to the students to prepare them with financial knowledge for the future. The school is thankful for the opportunity to partner with Commercial Bank in providing quality instruction.

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