

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. Jan. 2005 – The National Endowment for Education (NEFE) and its High School Financial Planning Program (HSFPP) curriculum has been gaining a lot of momentum in the past few years. As more and more financial institutions, schools and organizations stress the importance of financial education, many are turning to the HSFPP for its thorough, structured coursework.

But that's nothing new to Linda Meline, Marketing Specialist at Teacher Federal Credit Union in Minneapolis. Meline, who is in her 33rd year of employment with the credit union, has been working with the HSFPP for five years. Since August of 2000, she has ordered and distributed 13,495 copies of the curriculum for use in Minnesota schools.

“Teachers love this program because it's free and it's available to them,” Meline said. “I like the simplicity of [the HSFPP], that it's user-friendly, and that the kids can follow along with it.”