



The first semester of FSS is **Fundamentals of Financial Services**, which will focus on personal finance topics that will help prepare you for life after high school – budgets, saving, investing, real estate, insurance, and credit. You will participate in hands-on projects to put financial concepts into practice and enhance your business technology skills. Most of all, you will have fun while doing all of this!

SUGGESTIONS: Stay organized, be productive, and keep deadlines in mind. Refer to these weekly sheets for your assignments and due dates; use the quarterly syllabus to plan further ahead. Tests and major projects should never be a surprise! Use our class website (www.myfinanceclass.com) as a resource at school and as a way to stay connected from home.

Monday, September 14 Day 8

Today's Topic: "Earned Income & Benefits"

PFIN 2-1: Think Critically, Excel Problems
 Video Clip: "Steve Jobs: Connecting the Dots Speech"
 Worksheet: "Is Self-Employment Right for You?"
 Article: "Are Entertainers Worth Millions?"

CAREER PROJECT *Due Thursday*
 Career Narrative

Tuesday, September 15 Day 9

Today's Topic: "Unearned Income"

PFIN 2-2: Think Critically, SnapShot
 Worksheet: "Computing Gross and Net Pay"
 Article: "Unlimited Vacation Days?"
 Group Activity: "Dueling Articles on ... Career Advice"

CAREER PROJECT *Due Thursday*
 Career Narrative

Wednesday, September 16 Day 10

Today's Topic: "Taxes & Other Deductions"

PFIN 2-3: Think Critically, SnapShot
 Project: "Completing Employment Forms: W-4 and I-9"
 Case Studies: "Workplace Ethics"
 Article: "Top 10 Reasons NOT to Choose A College"

CAREER PROJECT *Due Thursday*
 Career Narrative

Thursday, September 17 Day 11

Today's Topic: "PFIN 2 Project: Doing Your Own Taxes"

PFIN 2 Review: FITB, Excel Problems
 Worksheet: "Evaluate and Select Benefits"
 Project: "Complete Tax Form 1040EZ"
 Activity: "Tax Time Scavenger Hunt"

CAREER PROJECT *Due TODAY*
 Career Narrative

Friday, September 18

NO CLASS

Teacher Inservice

Current Event (related to a business, finance, or entrepreneurship topic) – due Sunday by midnight.

IMPORTANT

Student Contract – signed forms due Friday, September 25.
Fees – \$30 cash/check payable to "Butler Tech" due Friday, September 25.