



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 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](http://www.myfinanceclass.com)) as a resource at school and as a way to stay connected from home.*

## Monday, November 8 Day 52

**Today's Topic: "Reasons for Saving and Investing"**

*Sophomore Tours – Day 1*

PFIN 10-1: Think Critically, Excel Problems

Video Clip: "Why Are Americans So Bad at Saving Money"

Worksheet: "Saving, Investing, and The Invisible Hand"

**Today's Topic: "Saving and Investing Principles"**

PFIN 10-2: Think Critically, In Depth

Discuss: "The Impact of Inflation"

Group Activity: "What's a 401(k) and Why Should I Care?"

SmartArt: "The Cost of Waiting"

## Tuesday, November 9 Day 53

A Day

## Wednesday, November 10 Day 54

**Today's Topic: "Saving and Investing Strategies" and "PFIN 10 Project"**

*Sophomore Tours – Day 2*

PFIN 10-3: Think Critically

PFIN 10 Review: FITB, Excel Problems

Activity: "Strategies for Stock Selection"

Project: "Researching the DJIA"

## Thursday, November 11 Day 55

A Day

## Friday, November 12 Day 56

**Today's Topic: "Low-Risk Investment Options"**

PFIN 11-1: Think Critically, In Depth

Worksheet: "What Is A Bond?"

Activity: "Lender/Borrower Game"

**Today's Topic: "Medium-Risk Investment Options"**

PFIN 11-2: Think Critically

Project: "Investment Strategies" (pairs)

Worksheet: "Mutual Fund Facts"

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

### IMPORTANT

BT Recruiting Season has officially kicked off!!! Sophomore tours are THIS WEEK!!!

Plus, the Butler Tech application system is now open! Sign up at [hsapplication.butlertech.org](http://hsapplication.butlertech.org)

