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Firelands Federal Credit Union Hosts Finances 101

BELLEVUE, Ohio – To help achieve the commitment to providing financial literacy to the communities it serves, Firelands Federal Credit Union (Firelands FCU) hosted Finances 101 at Norwalk High School and Bellevue High School. This program has been held since 2014.

Finances 101, often referred to as the "game of life," offers high school juniors the opportunity to obtain real-life budgeting skills by participating in a series of 12 interactive stations. These stations focus on future financial responsibilities such as buying a home, car, and clothes and paying for child care, utilities, and groceries.

This year, over 450 high school students from 8 area high schools participated. These schools include Bellevue, Monroeville, New London, Norwalk, Norwalk St. Paul, South Central, Western Reserve, and Willard. To meet the demands of the large number of students at these events, nearly 85 volunteers from Firelands FCU and local businesses assisted in guiding students across the game or helping inform them on a specific financial topic.

"We are honored to provide this program and grateful to see the impact it leaves first-hand," said Kelly Steele-Moore, Firelands FCU's VP of Marketing. "We are thankful for our local schools, Firelands FCU staff, and local volunteers for their participation as we work to share the importance of financial literacy throughout the communities we serve. We look forward to growing Finances 101 in the future."

To learn about more ways Firelands FCU gives back, visit www.firelandsfcu.org.

About Firelands FCU: Firelands Federal Credit Union had its humble beginnings in 1955, when seven Nickel Plate Road employees joined together to form a financial savings club. When officially chartered in 1957, the credit union was open only to railroad employees, but in 1970, opened its membership to include anyone who lives or works in Erie, Huron and Crawford counties. Today, Firelands FCU serves over 31,000 members.

As a member-owned credit union, the earnings on Firelands FCU's business activities are returned to the member-owner in the form of higher earnings on savings, lower rates on loans, and a wide range of related financial services at the lowest possible cost. Learn more by visiting: www.firelandsfcu.org.

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