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**Financial literacy courses for educators
available this summer at Edgewood College**

MADISON – Registration is now open for Wisconsin educators who wish to attend one of three summer courses through the National Institute of Financial and Economic Literacy (NIFEL) at Edgewood College in Madison. The courses being offered are:

- Paychecks, Financial Contracts and Entrepreneurship, June 24-28.
- Investor Education, Economics and Insurance, July 15-19.
- Credit and Money, July 29-31 (online portion begins July 17).

Tuition for each of the sessions is \$300 for non-credit attendees or \$750 for participants who wish to earn three graduate credits. Tuition includes meals and lodging on the Edgewood campus. Sponsorships may be available.

Since the NIFEL training was first conducted at Edgewood in the summer of 2001, nearly 800 educators have benefited from the program, including 459 active Wisconsin teachers. Last year, more than 36,000 Wisconsin students were taught personal finance by those state educators.

The courses are open to teachers of personal finance, family and consumer sciences, social studies, economics, math, business and others who want to acquire the skills to teach personal finance – financial counselors, technical college faculty, corrections staff and school principals and administrators.

Registration may be done online at www.edgewood.edu/NIFEL. More information may be obtained by contacting Deb Weier at Edgewood College at 608-663-4243 or at DWeier@edgewood.edu.

NIFEL is supported by Governor Walker's Council on Financial Literacy and the Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions (DFI) and its Office of Financial Literacy. DFI takes a lead role in conjunction with CBM Credit Education Foundation and Edgewood College in providing this initiative, which has been recognized as a teacher training best practice by the U.S. Department of Treasury and the Federal Financial Literacy and Education Commission.

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