**High School of Business™ Principles of Finance Course**

Principles of Finance furthers student understanding of two specific business activities—accounting and finance—that were introduced in an earlier *High School of Business™* course, Principles of Business. Through multiple projects, students make connections between accounting, with an emphasis on cash flow, and finance, with an emphasis on decision-making. Students acquire an understanding of financial statements, calculate financial ratios, and make business decisions based on their interpretation of those financial statements and ratios. In addition, students determine business-financing options, as well as develop an appreciation for types of financial service providers and financial markets. Decision matrices are employed to aid in financial planning.

Recommended: 11th or 12th grade  
Credit: .5 (one semester)  
Prerequisites: Principles of Business and Business Economics