



MCEE Personal Finance Education Month

Door Decorating Contest

Submission Deadline: April 30, 2026 | **Winners Announced:** May 2026

Promote personal finance education in your school. Open to all public and private schools across Maryland.

How to Participate

- 1. Plan:** Teachers should brainstorm creative ideas that reflect financial literacy concepts
- 2. Decorate:** Create the door decor using materials that are safe and appropriate for school settings
- 3. Photograph:** Take a clear, high-quality photo of the decorated door
- 4. Submit:** Send photo submission to mcee@towson.edu by April 30

Evaluation Criteria checklist

- ◇ **Submission format:** One photo submission per teacher of their decorated door
- ◇ **Creativity:** Originality and imaginative design
- ◇ **Clarity:** Clear communication of the chosen economic or personal finance concept
- ◇ **Accuracy:** Correct representation of economic principles and MD Financial Literacy Standards
- ◇ **Visual presentation:** Overall aesthetic appeal and organization
- ◇ **Judging and announcement:** Judged by MCEE based on a rubric available at [EconEd.org](https://econed.org)

Prizes

A \$50 Amazon gift card will be awarded to the winning teacher from each category.

- ◇ Elementary (Grades 1-5)
- ◇ Middle School (Grades 6-8)
- ◇ High School (Grades 9-12)

By entering, teachers grant MCEE permission to display, publish, and use submitted artwork and use the name of the school for promotional and educational purposes.

MCEE reserves the right to disqualify entries not in compliance with contest rules. Judge decisions are final.

