



# Personal Investing Short Course: Investing in Students' Futures



OSB's Personal Investing course offers high school students with visual impairment investment education to increase their financial literacy and to provide them with a higher education scholarship fund.

## Inputs

- Staff
- Up to 15 students annually
- Curriculum
- Funding
- Computers and specialized software

## Outputs

### Activities

- Summer preparation program
- School year course with \$4000 "investment" which will be tracked
- Guest speakers
- Successful program graduates receive their hypothetical investment fund balance in real dollars for a college scholarship

### Participants

- Staff
- Guest speakers from financial industry
- Students in 11th, 12th, and post 12th with ability to pursue college/technical school training

## Outcomes – Impact

### Short to Mid-term

- Students learn basic tools, vocabulary, and techniques of investment risk analysis and monitoring investment performance
- Students gain financial literacy, build self-esteem and confidence
- Students learn of career options in financial industry
- Students earn funds for higher education
- Curriculum can be replicated

### Long-term

- More visually impaired students gain financial skills and attend college
- Increased access to careers in financial industries for the visually impaired and other work opportunities
- Increased long-term self sufficiency