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# Press Release

## EDFUND Provides Free Resources to Help Schools Prepare for National Financial Literacy Month

*Opportunity for Schools to Provide Students Money Management Tools that Work*

**Rancho Cordova, March 31, 2008** — The U.S. Congress designated April as National Financial Literacy Month to raise awareness about the importance of financial education. EDFUND provides schools nationwide with a flexible and comprehensive financial literacy curriculum consisting of 11 courses covering over 65 money management topics. The beginning, intermediate and advanced courses on budgeting, credit and savings include presentation notes, student workbooks, online student videos and an instructor's guide.

*Building Futures Financial Literacy* — *Money management that works!* was developed based on school requests for a quality curriculum that is easy to implement with minimal time commitment. Whether offered by EDFUND, or by school staff using the presentation notes and student workbooks, EDFUND's library of free presentations is ready to implement across campus to ensure students master financial literacy in addition to their chosen course of study.

Financial literacy is an issue that commands attention from everyone to ensure Americans are adequately organizing finances for their education, healthcare and retirement. Building awareness through increased financial literacy education and stressing the importance of financial responsibility will help today's students avoid the serious consequences resulting from poorly managed personal finances.

"Creating financial literacy materials that work demonstrates EDFUND's commitment to support schools, serve students and make higher education possible," said EDFUND President Sam Kipp. "We recognize the need for a comprehensive financial literacy curriculum to address the needs of all students facing a variety of financial circumstances and increased debt burdens." EDFUND is one of the first in the industry to take a proactive role by teaching students healthy money management practices.

To access these free resources go to <http://www.edfund.org/BuildingFutures>.

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EDFUND, a nonprofit public benefit corporation, is one of the nation's leading providers of student loan guarantee services under the Federal Family Education Loan Program. EDFUND offers students a wide range of financial aid and debt management information while supporting schools with advanced loan processing solutions and default prevention techniques. Operating as an auxiliary corporation of the California Student Aid Commission and founded in 1997, EDFUND processed more than \$10.1 billion in student loans in 2005-06 (including Consolidation loans) and manages a portfolio of outstanding loans valued at \$27 billion. EDFUND is headquartered in Rancho Cordova, California with regional offices located throughout the nation.

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