



"Children should be educated and instructed in the principles of freedom."

– John Adams, Founding Father



As parents, we often think about the world our children will step into—and whether they will be truly prepared for it. Academic knowledge matters, but so does the ability to manage money wisely, make prudent decisions, and pursue meaningful opportunities with confidence.

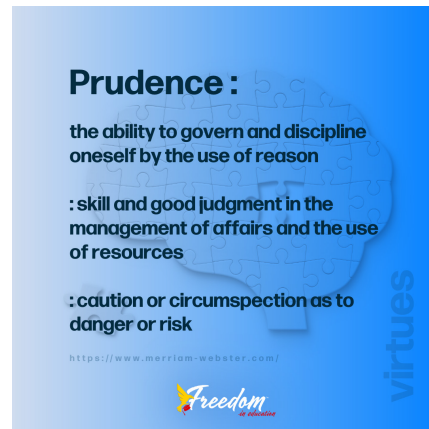
Financial literacy is an **essential life skill** that empowers individuals to make informed choices with their money, build financial stability, and pursue opportunities that align with their personal and professional goals. When students are not equipped with essential skills in budgeting, saving, credit, and investing, they enter adulthood at a disadvantage—highlighting a gap that public education has too often failed to address. At Freedom in Education, we connect financial literacy to real-world pathways, highlighting the value of trade schools, cultivating prudence in financial decision-making, and equipping families with practical tools like our **Post-High School Resource Guide** to help students confidently navigate their next steps after graduation.

Knowledge is powerful. When parents and guardians are informed, they are no longer passive observers of the system—they become advocates, problem-solvers, and steady guides for their children's futures. Simply understanding what is (and isn't) being taught, recognizing the gaps, and seeking practical solutions can shift the entire trajectory of a child's path.

GET INFORMED.



[The Importance of Trade Schools](#)
-Mike DiMatteo



[Cultivate Prudence While Teaching Financial Literacy](#)—Beanie Geoghegan



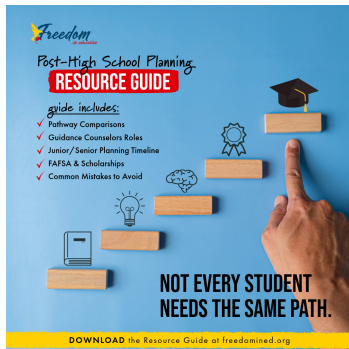
[Why Financial Literacy Should be a Graduation Requirement](#)–Natasha Jaspersen

We celebrate students as “college-ready” or “career-ready,” but what does that mean if they don’t know how interest accrues, how debt limits future choices, or how to stretch a paycheck further than expected? How can we claim to prepare young people for adulthood while sending them into legally binding financial decisions without the most basic tools to navigate them?



[POLICY BRIEF](#)

This month’s brief focuses on the shift away from a “one-size-fits-all” approach to postsecondary education and the expanding range of alternatives to the traditional four-year college pathway. As college readiness remains uneven and enrollment declines nationwide, students, families, and policymakers are increasingly exploring options such as Career and Technical Education (CTE), apprenticeships, early college models, and community college credentials as viable routes to economic stability and long-term fulfillment.



[New! RESOURCE GUIDE](#) **Post-High School Resource Guide** **UNDERSTANDING POST-HIGH SCHOOL OPTIONS**

There is no single "right" path after high school. Success looks different for every student and depends on:

1. Academic Readiness
2. Time Management
3. Goals
4. Costs
5. Long-term Outcomes

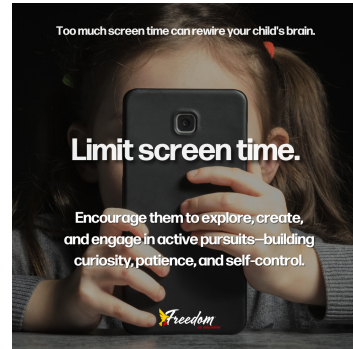
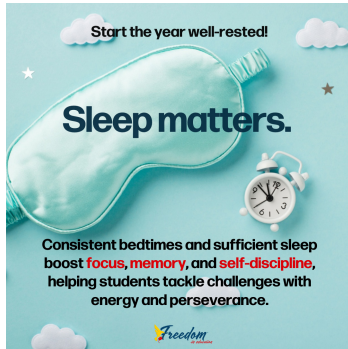


Founder's Podcast [NIELS HOVEN](#)

In this podcast, Beanie speaks with Niels Hoven, Founder of Mentava, about the importance of early literacy, the lack of opportunities for high-achieving students, and how parents can teach their children to read.

Strong Bodies. Strong Minds.

Healthy habits shape strong minds and strong character. Each month, we're sharing simple, practical health tips that support focus, discipline, resilience, and lifelong learning—for students and families alike.



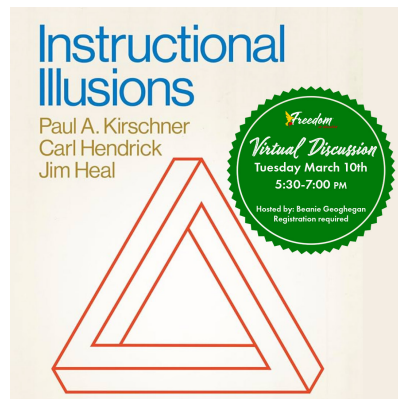
Your story matters.

If you've experienced challenges or victories in your child's education, we want to hear from you! [Share your story](#) with Freedom in Education and help inspire others to stand up, speak out, and make a difference in their schools and communities.

Courage is contagious!

[SHARE YOUR STORY](#)

TAKE ACTION!



Freedom in Education is growing our Teacher Coalition—an intentional network of educators who share our vision and mission. Be a part of a solutions-driven organization focused on results in the classroom and restoring excellence in K-12 Education. Through curated reading, purposeful development, and fellowships that build content knowledge and instructional skill, we help teachers grow in confidence and effectiveness—so their students can thrive!

The Freedom In Education Teacher Coalition is hosts a **virtual book club every OTHER month**. Join us **March 10th** as we discuss our latest read: [Instructional Illusions](#). Register [here](#).

[TEACHER COALITION](#)

Invest in Freedom.



In celebration of America's 250th birthday, Freedom In Education is relaunching our [Good Book Drive](#) with renewed purpose. Our goal is simple: **Fill classrooms and library shelves with stories that teach and celebrate America's past.** Last year, Freedom in Education distributed **1,500 books** to children in **125 schools** across the nation. Teachers and librarians told us, "We need more books — the children loved them!"



With the generous support of donors, we will be sending Patriotic Book Bundles to K–12 classrooms and school libraries across America during Constitution Week 2026. These curated bundles highlight key events, influential individuals, and foundational principles of American history—helping students once again enjoy, learn from, and savor the stories that form the beautiful tapestry of our nation.

\$125 sends one complete patriotic book bundle to a K-12 classroom or school library.

If We Don't Tell America's Story, Who Will?

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