



## Securities Industries Essentials (SIE) Scholars Program

## Interested in a financial services career after high school? Consider the SIE Scholars Program.

Junior Achievement of the Chisholm Trail and Kaplan are offering interested EMS ISD seniors the opportunity to participate in the SIE Scholars Program, a 12-week course that will teach you about the financial services industry while preparing you for the Securities Industry Essentials (SIE) exam. SIE is the exam that assesses an individual's basic knowledge of the securities industry, including stocks, bonds, and financial markets.

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to register and take the SIE exam free of charge. Students who pass the exam will be guaranteed an interview for an entry level position with Fidelity Investments.

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Who should participate in this program?	Students considering a career in financial services industry (i.e., manage funds for a corporation, work as a financial advisor, or buy and sell securities).
What are the benefits of a career in financial services?	<ul> <li>High Earning Potential: According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the median annual wage for securities, commodities, and financial services sales agents is \$63,780, with the top 10 percent earning \$187,200.</li> <li>High Demand: The Bureau of Labor Statistics suggests jobs for personal financial advisors are projected to grow 6% by 2026, due in large part to financial advisors planning to retire in the next decade.</li> <li>Flexible Schedule: With new advances in technology, connectivity, and mobility, most securities professionals have the flexibility to create their own schedules.</li> </ul>
Why earn the SIE?	Passing the Securities Industry Essentials (SIE) exam is the first step towards getting a job in the securities industry. Passing the exam before applying to firms shows recruiters that students are motivated and serious about entering the financial services industry.
Program Dates	<b>February 23, 2023 - May 28, 2023</b> No live instruction the weeks of March 13 - 17, 2023 and April 3 - 7, 2023.
Eligibility	Students must turn 18 by the time they sit for the SIE exam 5/28/23 - 5/30/23.
Cost	There is <b>no cost</b> to the student.
Commitment	Approximately 8-10 hours/week of study time is needed. This includes 90 minutes of live online instruction each Wednesday from 4:30 to 6:00 pm via Zoom
Registration	Students must complete the <u>online interest form</u> to receive registration instructions. Interest form deadline is Thursday, January 5, 2023.
Required Equipment	Computer/laptop with internet/WiFi capabilities and a four-function calculator.
Questions	Contact Kasey Conroy at kconroy@ems-isd.net