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## **Virginia Elementary School tours SDFCU As Part of Financial Basics Class.**

Alexandria, Virginia, May 28, 2003: Jefferson-Houston Elementary school students in Alexandria, Virginia had four weeks of financial basics taught by the staff of State Department Federal Credit Union. The staff volunteered their time and resources for the new community partnership.



*President/CEO John Adkin, Jefferson-Houston Elementary  
Principal Glenda Washington and the second grade  
students at SDFCU.*

The program entitled, "Money on the Bookshelf" consists of 12 well-known children's books that discuss financial concepts such as problem solving, decision-making, prioritizing and goal setting. It was developed in 1997, by the Nevada Cooperative Extension and is currently being used by the Virginia Cooperative Extension in the Northern Virginia area.

The program lesson plans fit in to the Virginia Standards of Learning requirements for all students attending school in Fairfax County.

At the end of the class, the students participated in a field trip to the Credit Union's nearby office. The students visited four different departments to see the day-to-day operations of a financial institution. They inspected the inside of a safety deposit box vault, and learned about ATM functions, how checks work, and Credit Union safety and security.

After visiting all the departments, SDFCU President/CEO John C. Adkin offered words of encouragement to the students. He also gave Principal Glenda Washington a plaque recognizing the students achievements. Each student received a Certificate of Completion for the program.

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