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ALABAMA YOUNG CPAs PARTNER WITH ALSDE ON HIGH SCHOOL BLITZ

Montgomery, Ala. – Alabama certified public accountants will reach out to thousands of high school students with a message of smart money management on November 17-21.

This effort is the seventh annual Classroom Blitz, which is being led by members of the Alabama Society of CPAs. This program is made possible through a partnership with the Alabama State Department of Education’s Career and Technical Education (CTE) Section. This partnership has been critical in helping high school students understand the importance of sound financial management, while also providing them a glimpse into the world of accounting careers.

James Wishon, CPA, President of the Alabama Society of CPAs’ Young CPA Board, knows that teaching these lessons early will benefit the students as they mature. “We know that they hear this information and make more informed decisions as they enter the workforce. It is gratifying to hear their questions and to dispel some myths about credit, debt, and saving for the future.”

This program has touched more than 20,000 students in the past six years.

A total of 51 high schools from across the state have signed up for this week’s 2014 Blitz. Each school will be hosting special workshops for students to learn more about financial literacy and personal money management.

The following schools will be participating in this year’s event:

- Oak Mountain High School
- Hewitt-Trussville High School
- Woodlawn High School
- Calera High School
- Curry High School
- Mortimer Jordan High School
- Moody High School
- Hoover High School
- Minor High School
- Leeds High School
- G.W. Carver High School
- Pinson Valley High School
- Tarrant High School
- Dadeville High School
- Auburn High School
- Central High School (Phenix City)
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- Grissom High School
- Murphy High School
- Robertsdale High School
- Chickasaw High School
- Foley High School
- Demopolis High School
- Autauga County Technology Center
- Holtville High School
- Prattville Christian Academy
- Brewbaker Technology Magnet High School
- Carver Senior High School
- Bullock County Career Technical Center
- Robert E. Lee High School
- Lawrence County High School
- Florence High School
- Sardis High School
- Geraldine High School
- Pike County High School
- Goshen High School
- Carroll High School
- Cottonwood High School
- Kinston High School
- Opp High School
- Northridge High School
- Hillcrest High School (Tuscaloosa County)
- Brookwood High School
- Tuscaloosa Career and Technology Academy
- Tuscaloosa County High School
- Holt High School
- Athens High School
- Hartselle High School
- Jacksonville High School
- Weaver High School
- Escambia County High School
- Chambers County Career Technical Center

“We are thankful for this partnership, which has been developed between the Alabama Society of CPAs and the Alabama State Department of Education over the years,” said Alabama CTE Administrator Dawn Morrison. “The High School Blitz has become a successful program. It is expanding to more high schools each year. The Alabama Society of CPAs does an amazing job of engaging teens in financial literacy topics, while also increasing their awareness of available career opportunities in the accounting field. We are proud of this longstanding partnership.”

The Alabama Society of CPAs is a professional organization of 7,000 certified public accountants. To learn more about Alabama’s Classroom Blitz event, contact Alabama Society of Certified Public Accountants Communication Representative Diane Christy at 334-386-5752, or Alabama CTE Administrator Dawn Morrison at dmorrison@alsde.edu.

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