

Dear Bethlehem Elementary Parents,

We are very excited to announce that in partnership with Bethlehem Elementary School, Passumpsic Savings Bank and AHEAD Inc. we will be launching an exciting new program that will start soon in your child's classroom!

Our *Centsible Families* program involves learning the value of money and common banking skills, reinforced by a fun evening workshop where families will come together for a meal and discuss the lessons learned in the classroom. Also, each child will receive a custodial savings account with up to \$50 in "seed" deposits courtesy of Passumpsic Bank (the first \$25 will be provided to each child when they open their account; an additional \$25 will be deposited for children whose families participate in the evening workshop). These custodial accounts will be maintained by AHEAD, and AHEAD and Passumpsic Savings Bank staff will provide ongoing monthly visits for "Savings Deposit Days" where students if they chose, can add money to their savings account. Our hope is that the funds students save will be used towards college, training, or could even be used towards opening their own business.

We are thrilled to be able to share this program with the families and students of Bethlehem Elementary School, and hope that you join us in becoming an active *Centsible Family*!

Thank you,

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