

# Economics and Consumer Demand

- Macroeconomics-studies the economic behavior and relationships of an entire society
- Microeconomics-examines relationship between individual consumers and producers



# **Factors Affecting Demand**

- How strong is the need or want?
- How available is the supply of products and services to satisfy individual needs?
- What alternative products could satisfy consumer needs?



#### **Law of Demand**

 When the price of a product is increased, less will be demanded

 Demand curve-shows the relationship between price and the quantity demanded



### **Amount Supplied**

Profit motive

 Economic resources-natural resources, capital, equipment, and labor

Competition



# Law of Supply

More will be supplied as prices increase.

 Supply curve-graph of the relationship between price and quantity supplied



#### **Market Price**

 Point where supply and demand for a product are equal

 Point where supply and demand curves intersect



#### **Assignments**

#### Independent Practice Activities

- Compare the price of a flight from Los Angeles to New York on 3 different airlines as well as rate their customer service.
- Develop a list of seasonal demand products for a location that has changing seasons.
- Conduct a student survey in the school cafeteria to determine the most highly demanded food items.

