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INVEST NORTH DAKOTA TEACHER SEMINAR SCHEDULED

The sixth annual **INVEST NORTH DAKOTA** teacher seminar will be held July 16-20, 2001 at The University of Mary in Bismarck. This valuable seminar blends practical lessons from experienced professionals to assist teachers in presenting business and investment topics in their classrooms.

“This 30-hour seminar provides teachers the opportunity to obtain 2 graduate credits of continuing education and will give them a wealth of information in the form of resources and curriculum assistance,” stated Diane Kambeitz, Program Coordinator with the Office of the Securities Commissioner. A \$50.00 non-refundable registration fee is required. All other expenses, including college tuition, seminar materials, dormitory lodging and most meals are Free to teachers completing the seminar.

Approximately 20 business, education and professional leaders will present topics on business and investment during the seminars. Seminar topics will include economics: an elementary investment, investment planning and alternatives, consumer fraud, building a mock portfolio, Internet applications for teachers, teen financial literacy, teachers’ retirement fund, newspapers in education and the Wall Street Journal Classroom Edition. Training sessions will also be conducted for two innovative curriculums, “The Stock Market Game Worldwide” and “Financial Literacy 2001”.

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“Invest North Dakota is a valuable experience for all North Dakota teachers from elementary through high school and is particularly beneficial to teachers in the areas of economics, business, mathematics, accounting, consumer education, vocational education, family living, as well as school administrators,” said Kambeitz.

“**Invest North Dakota** is an important step toward teaching our state’s future leaders the value of sound financial planning, saving and wise investing,” concluded Kambeitz.

For more information and a registration form, contact the Office of the Securities Commissioner at (701) 328-2910 or 1-800-297-5124 or check the web site address at www.state.nd.us/securities (education link). The deadline for registration is July 1, 2001 and enrollment is limited to 150. The Invest North Dakota program is sponsored by the Office of the Securities Commissioner.

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