## NJIT 2018 Financial Literacy Camp Student Reactions

My experience at NJIT was enlightening. I learned a lot about financial literacy, Mr. Gomez provided me with substantial information about businesses and how to read their information. Princeton-Blairstown Center was fun along with learning about bioluminescence.

-C. B.

The time I invested here at this camp was well worth it. I've not only gained new and enjoyable memories, but I've improved myself. I've made new friends that also aided in the growth I underwent during this camp. Overall, this camp was the greatest challenge I've faced so far. This gave me a chance to fail, which is necessary in the process of growth.

The summer is usually thought of as a time for relaxing and having fun with friends and family. This is true; however, I see it as an opportunity to strengthen myself and empower others. I learned this at this camp when we were in the woods doing team building exercises. I realized that can greatly impact not only my internal situations but others. During the camping trip I gained new found insight to what type of person I am. Something that I would've never learned in a classroom, it's something that's experienced through the trials and tribulations we may face in life.

The thing I'll remember the most is the change I went through. The times after I left to go home and practice and work on the main project at hand. Also, the nervous excitement I felt when presenting that pushed me beyond the limits I placed on myself.

-S. B.

I am an upcoming sophomore at KHS, and I'm really glad I decided to sign up for this camp. After receiving an email from my guidance counselor about different summer programs I could attend, I almost ignored it but then the NJIT camp stood out the most. I want to be a math professor when I'm older so I believed this camp should be very helpful, because in the very near future I will be handing my own finances. I am so grateful to be given this opportunity because I learned so much in just the 4 week we had together, more than my own personal finance class provided at my school. Not only did I learn about the different aspects of finance, but how crucial it is to work with others. Before the camp I believed success was only an individual effort but after the 4 weeks I realized that it's a team effort and you can achieve so much more with all our different strengths and honestly just an open mind with a positive attitude. At first everyone was super quiet and shy but I feel like as time went on especially during the week with Princeton-Blairstown Camp. I came off the bus thinking it was going to be boring but honestly, I had the best time. Everyone got closer and I met so many people at this camp that I hope so stay friends with for a long time. I learned about STEM, literature, and teamwork. Everyone's challenge was communication but the camp did an amazing job at teaching us. My favorite moment was the water fight because everyone let loose and it was nice to see everyone having so much fun. I am so happy with how well my group worked together and I am so happy with how my presentation ended. This camp will always be special and I am really am happy that I signed up for it.

-N. B.

My experience at the NJIT Financial Literacy Camo was wonderful and eye-opening. My favorite moment/memory will always be going to Princeton-Blairstown Center. The moment I enjoyed the most will be when we had a water fight at the camp. It was a time where everyone was having fun together. Everyone was trying to get everyone soaked. My greatest challenge was when I had to climb the rock wall. But, overall my experience was very exciting. I'm glad I met new friends and made new memories.

-K. G.

I am writing this letter to express and highlight my valuable time at NJIT for the past weeks. As a student who doesn't speak much, I was able to get out of my comfort zone because of this camp and show my talent even more. My favorite moment was at Princeton-Blairstown Center because I was able to leave home for one week to enjoy nature and see what it had to offer which was amazing. One of my greatest challenges was presenting in front of the judges I didn't know and practicing in challenging activities such as stepping stones, canoeing, etc.

It was many lessons I was able to learn from all especially in the STEM class at Princeton-Blairstown Center. I also learned about ratios, how to explain graphs and team building. Oral presentations are very hard at times especially when your group is the first to present however as a group it is important to encourage your team members to do better and also work accordingly to present a powerful presentation.

Lastly, I will always remember that I took time off my summer to be committed into a beneficial camp to learn from college level material, so that when the time is right I can feel more confident about myself and exceed the expectations of any presentation given to me as a team or individual.

At NJIT I learned a lot of information about finances and feel confident about finances and feel confident about analyzing a company financially in order to invest in the future and potentially run a company. I will remember the week at Princeton-Blairstown Center (PBC), from my cabin mates in cabin 4, my day group called "The Wolf Pack" with Maya, lessons in racial and gender relations in literature with Steph, STEM lessons about bioluminescence, metacognition, lift, and the Doppler effect with Sally, playing a game called "Mafia," going out for hikes, kayaking, rock-climbing, the list could go on and on. I really loved going to PBC and it made me feel more comfortable in my own skin and with the people around me. NJIT's Financial Literacy Camp has taught me a lot about how to manage and analyze money and it helped me find who I am as a person. I have lots of love for this camp, PBC, my camp mates, the TA's, the teachers, and those who allowed me to attend this camp.

-S. C.

Overall, these 4 weeks have provided me with a great experience I will never forget. My favorite memory is hard to decide, but camp left me with a lot of great times. These were some of the funniest times I had. I've realized the importance of teamwork and I've had a lot of laughs with the Legacies team.

-S. H.

This camp really was a once in a lifetime experience. It was one of the most educational and fun things I have ever done in my life. I did so many new things that I would have never imagined doing, I also learned some things that you don't even begin to learn until college. Overall, the best part of the whole program was the camping trip. For the first time ever I ate s'mores, was away from home without my parents, went kayaking without falling, and went camping. I had a great time and would love to do it again. It is sad that it came to an end but it was fun while it lasted.

-H. D.

My favorite memory of camp is kayaking or canoeing. While they were also my greatest challenges of camp, I found them to be the real tests for myself. My first attempt at kayaking, I fell right away. A few minutes later, I fell again. The real test to this for me was whether or not to continue and try again. I did try again and received support from my group. This support is what I am going to remember the most. And through this support, I learned with support a person can do what they lacked belief in doing before. I learned to really project my voice for an oral presentation. Teamwork makes the dream work.

-J. D.

I had a wonderful experience at NJIT's Financial Literacy Camp. I met new people and had a chance to get closer to my old friends. I faced my fears and learned valuable information and lessons. My greatest challenge was to present in front of everybody and not look at the board/my presentation every moment at Princeton-Blairstown Center. The food was amazing everywhere and the people, too. I am very grateful for the opportunity to have come here and learn new things that are going to help me throughout my life. Thank you so much to everyone who contributed in making this camp and funding it. Thank you, Mr. Gomez and Ms. M, for teaching me essential information and making me a better person. I will never forget this experience.

My favorite moment in camp was the campfire. Singing the songs and making s'mores was so much fun. Also rocking climbing was crazy. I got to the top on the easy wall and the hard wall. It looked easy until I actually tried climbing it. The week away at Princeton-Blairstown Center was fun.

-A. L.

I had a really fun time here, and I'm planning to come next year if I can. My favorite memory is when we went to Princeton-Blairstown Center, it was really fun. I loved learning the history, I also learned some lessons like how to be more confident. I'll remember my cabin, #4. I learned a lot about how to project my voice and being more confident and also sharing ideas in a team. -J. S. My time at the NJIT Financial Literacy program has been a memorable experience. The night before the first day I was so nervous I had no idea what kind of people I would encounter or how they'd treat me. On the first day I arrive more than an hour early. I knew I had a friend who was a part of the program and I was trying to wait for her so I didn't feel out of place. Especially since I was going to attempt to be social but so many people came into the program knowing each other.

Eventually, I got comfortable but I wasn't so fond of my group. I probably wasn't the most liked by them either. When it came to our first practice for oral presentations, I hated it. I was so annoyed with my group but, I realized that I needed to help guide them instead of being frustrated. When we went camping it was so fun. I'm used to not always being on my phone, I spend all my summer in Barbados staying outside with my cousins and friends. I loved my group and I enjoyed being in nature, enjoying activities. I'll remember the bonds I formed at this program. The Princeton-Blairstown Center camp was the icebreaker that made everyone a family. The two biggest challenges I overcame at this camp was my fear of presenting in front of a crowd and I learned that you can be successful in a group. I even became more social and confident, I'm glad I joined this program it was more than beneficial for me.

-D. G.

My time at NJIT was phenomenal. I came in wanting to learn and do great things. I did get that but I also made great friends who I wanted to learn with along the way. The teachers were very clear and helpful but it was the T.A.'s that influenced me the most. Seeing how knowledgeable they are and how similar they are to me proves how I can do it too. They helped me every step of the way and really mentored me. My favorite memories of NJIT will be at Princeton-Blairstown Center with my cabinmates and the T.A.'s who made the whole experience so enjoyable.

-J. N.

This camp went by so fast! It was an amazing experience from the moment I walked into the room. The camp has given me experiences I will never forget. My favorite part was the whole week in Blairstown. The way I was able to bond with my peers and have the experiences I had was truly amazing. I would really recommend this camp to anyone. The opportunities and experiences you get here are unlike any other.

-S. W.

These past 4 weeks were very eventful and educational for me. I was given the privilege to learn about finance while building relationships with people who I never thought I would know. My favorite part of these past few weeks was the sleep away camp. I learned to kayak, was immersed in nature, and learned more about teamwork through various activities. Overall, I will remember the people I met in this camp and use what I've been taught towards my future.

-E. B.

Throughout the weeks of the program I can honestly say that it was a fun experience. I got to meet a ton of hilarious people and some friendships that might last forever. The T.A.'s were cool too. They helped with stuff that we didn't know and they also formed bonds with us. The week away trip at Princeton-Blairestown Center was very good. It opened all of us up. Before that trip none of us actually spoke to each other but now we can't stop talking. One thing that I can take away from this trip is that I experienced my first kayaking experience. I never kayaked but it was actually fun. I would recommend this program to everyone because it is very eye-opening

-W. J.

My experience in this program was very education and interesting and it was a great opportunity to learn about something important. It's not every day that you get to go to a camp. We entered this camp surrounded by strangers and left with friends. We left with experiences that kids don't usually get. We had to sacrifice a small part of our summer but it was worth it for the experiences we gained and the things we learned. These experiences will definitely help us in the future. I hope more kids get to take part in a program like this.

-Y. A.

My time at your university for the Financial Literacy Camp was splendid. I learn a lot about money in the limited number of weeks we had together. I am usually one to procrastinate but because we were scheduled to present in front of professionals I had an incentive to work hard my entire time here. At first, I thought the project would be simple, but it proved to be much more of a struggle. In addition, we were only given five minutes as a group to present, therefore we had to closely evaluate which information would be included or cut from our final project. This entire experience is one that will hold pleasant sentimental feelings with me. One last time, I would like to document my thanks in written form.

-S. A.

When I first came to NJIT I was so scared of public speaking. Not to say I'm not anymore but I feel so much more confident because of the tips and team building exercises we did. My favorite moment was sleeping away at Princeton-Blairstown Center because it was my first time away from home. I learned that in order to be successful as a team you really need to get to know one another in your group to come to agreements and be successful as a whole. My greatest challenge was being able to come up and present our projects. Some other lessons I learned were to never leave things for the last minute and to always know your information. One thing I will always remember is when we were all quiet the first day but now we are all bonding and happy to know each other. I enjoyed this camp and I want to thank you!

NJIT was a very fun and memorable experience for me. I learned and gained so much more knowledge from lessons that were taught to me. My favorite memory was the Princeton-Blairstown trip and greatest challenge was perhaps the rock wall challenge, speaking in front of everyone, and being a leader. I learned about leadership, integrity, strength, and so much more. I learned how to properly speak and be brave and support others. I'll remember Blairstown, the T.A.'s, the staff, and all my new friends I'll leave. For oral presentations, speaking clearly without "ums" is important as well. Working together to listen to ideas and opinions was also important to me. I'll miss the camp a lot when I depart.

-E. M.

When I started the Financial Literacy camp I thought I would hate this and not learn anything. It turned out the complete opposite I learned so much and had an amazing time. Before I started this program, I could not talk/present in front of people after practicing for these 4 weeks I've gotten better at controlling my nerves. I enjoyed myself the most at the Princeton-Blairstown Camp (PBC). I learned about team encouragement and challenging myself. I think I will remember all the activities we did at PBC and I will miss seeing everyone.

My favorite moment was when we the campfire and when we had the water fight. I learned to respect others and others' property. And be nice to people. It was a good time. I liked the rock climbing and all the other activities. I liked all the people that were at the camp. The camp was great. Have a good summer.

-J. B.

The NJIT Financial Literacy camp was something I am completely grateful for. I made some fantastic new friends and even got to know some friends that I didn't know much about before. My favorite memory was the water fight all my peers and I had. I even found the girls to be nice, even if it was annoying towards them which I do regret. What I will remember most is Princeton-Blairstown Center, which brought the whole group to a bond stronger than ever.

-C. M.

Heading into this camp, I had my doubts. It would be an understatement if I said I was wrong. Along with learning about terms, ratios, businesses, etc. meeting new people made these four weeks worthwhile. My favorite week was week three at the Princeton-Blairstown Center. During that week alone, I met like 40-50 people and everyone in general became really close. My favorite moment was the closing campfire because of the positive vibes and all of the shout outs. Along with the campfire, the final presentation is something I'll never forget. My group came a long way. The whole camp, we had time issues but getting 4 minutes and 59 seconds during the final presentation really highlighted the hard work and dedication we put into this project. Working with my team and the lessons from Mr. Gomez and Ms. M really put my group and I in a great position to succeed. This camp was really a great experience and I'd really like to thank everyone invested in us - the T.A.'s, NJIT, Santander, the Leir Foundation, Mr. and Mrs. Gomez, and Ms. M. I'll never forget this experience.

-M. W.

This year I was chosen to participate in NJIT's Financial Literacy camp for the 2018 summer. Throughout the last 4 weeks I have been able to learn and develop, not just as a student, but as a person as well. I have met and interacted with a lot of new students from different schools across the state. My favorite moment was getting to know my fellow classmates, and about their positive experiences. The first day at NJIT we were put into different groups to represent well-known companies. This was a very enjoyable experience because it helped me open up to my new teammates. Even if we had obstacles like going over 5 minutes, or changing our group decision, or changing our approach we overcame them. If anything, these challenges made us collaborate more together, and these obstacles made us push each other towards success in the future. I will always remember these inspiring moments with Mr. Gomez and everyone from NJIT. Thank you NJIT!

I think I had a very special experience here with my classmates that I wouldn't get in school which I'm very grateful for. My favorite moment was sleeping in the cabins with my cabin mates and just having a lot of fun with them. My greatest challenge was communicating with my classmates after class but it never weighed us down. What I'm going to remember most is the fun I had with the counselors and with my group at Princeton-Blairstown Center. What I learned in oral presentation was to practice your lines and to try and calm down while presenting in front of an audience.

I would highly recommend this program to anyone who not only wants to know about finance but to grow closer to your school friends as well. I'm never going to forget the fun that I had with my schoolmates. I even got to know more about other students from other schools. I hope I can come next year to learn more. I hope other people will give this program a chance. I really enjoyed this camp! It was very fun as I got to know new people and make new friends. The first 2 weeks were kind of slow. But when we went to Princeton-Blairstown Center (PBC), but I started to set to known a lot more people and have a lot of fun. My favorite memory was at PBC when I completed the rock-climbing wall and the high ropes. The greatest challenge that I faced was presenting in front of 60 people, but I got over that challenge very quickly. I have learned that you need teamwork and communication, to be successful and that showed at PBC. Something that I will remember the most is all the friends I made and spending time with them at PBC. I also learned that you have to transition and to be calm right before a presentation. I was also taught that teamwork is key, and a group needs teamwork to be successful. This financial literacy camp has taught me a lot about financials and public speaking. I will never forget the trip to PBC, and all the friends that I met here. It was a great experience, and I would come back if I could! I've overcame many fears, and did many things many things I wouldn't have if I hadn't come here.

My time here was a very informative time. My favorite memory here was going to Princeton-Blairstown Center because it was a fun learning experience. Personally, my biggest challenge was trying to focus during lectures but eventually I became better. The lesson that I learned was to always have everyone share their opinion in a group. From this I have become a much better team member.

The thing I will remember the most is the friends and bonds that we made during these 4 weeks. I personally became significantly better at giving oral presentations due to this program. Finally, thank you NJIT for providing this great opportunity.

-G. S.

Thank you for having this program. It was a fun way to spend some of my summer. Everything about this program was amazing. Spending a week up at camp was so much fun. I made a lot more friends and truly enjoyed my time up there. Thank you once again for this. Hopefully other kids can have this in the future. It sets kids up to have financial success in the future. That is important because most people fall into financial debt after school.

-E. B.

This program has been a great experience. There were some great moments and I have great memories. The first day of the program was intimidating but as time went on we all grew closer to each other and learned so much especially at Princeton-Blairstown Center. But of course, there were challenges. This is one of the other reasons that I loved this camp is it always challenged everyone whether it be a worksheet or in a group activity but they also made it fun. What I'll remember most was the time I spent in PBC with my friend. How we went to hang out in the cabin and had fun. But I've also learned so much from Mrs. Gomez and Ms. M and the T.A.'s and on how they showed us techniques for oral presentations and how they helped us work in a group.

-R. T.

My first time here I never wanted to come. I was so shy for the first 2 weeks and wasn't very social. Once we went to Princeton-Blairstown Center I never got so close to so many people. I tried things I never tried before or even thought of trying. I'm proud of myself because I feel like I've accomplished something and have great friends and they are from everywhere. Going to this program has made me be a better person inside and it feels great.

-R. F.

My time at NJIT was a great one. I wish I would be able to stay longer. The group of students and the teachers/teaching assistants really made the best of this program. I had the best time on the camping trip to Princeton-Blairstown Center. That trip really brought everyone closer together. I'm thankful for my time here, everyone I met and everything I learned.

-J. C.

My time here at this camp was great. I loved the fact that I was able to meet such great people from a lot of places. My favorite memory here was going to Princeton-Blairstown Center I liked going there because I did some things that were out of my comfort zone but it the end it was a great time. My favorite thing in the end was being able to meet such great people. The one thing that I will always remember is going to camp and having a great time.

-M. W.

My time here was well spent. My first impression of the NJIT MTSM Financial Literacy Program was that it wasn't impressive or special. However, it exceeded my expectations and changed my perspective drastically. The program was endearing and I personally enjoyed it. I am older than most of the applicants and I assumed that I would be outcasted or treated differently. The people here are kind and wise. I learned how to evaluate the financial health of companies, to work with others, and to always work harder, that I want to be a mechanical engineer, to always continue to learn and to build things for people.

This program encouraged me to interact with others and leave my comfort zone. I may not be the best at conveying my feelings or writing about what I had learned, but I want more people to be aware of the opportunities and advantages they have. The mentors are supportive, friendly, and understanding. I cannot emphasize how grateful I am or how I appreciate the program's benefactors for creating this unique experience. You should encourage the participants to help the community or volunteer to teach others the necessary skills. Thank you and have a nice day!

I thank you for everything you have done for this program and for us. It has truly taught me many lessons. I used to think of myself as an introvert but through this program I learned how to relate with people and be comfortable with new people. At the Princeton-Blairstown Center I was able try new things like canoeing, rock climbing, and it was my first time in a cabin. Even though it was dirty I enjoyed being with my cabin mates and playing cards and Mafia.

Education wise I learned about money and financial statements, cash-flow, and balance sheets. I learned about Microsoft as a company and learned about their cloud services. I also learned about ratios and different investments. The most valuable thing I learned was probably to look at jobs I would enjoy doing not jobs that make money (even though that is a plus). Anyways, thank you for this opportunity and God bless.

-L. G.

NJIT was a great camp to attend, and I would do it again. My favorite moment was the week away at camp when we had the water gun fight. The greatest challenge for me was kayaking. I really liked canoeing but kayaking was not for me. A few lessons NJIT has taught me is the importance and influence of team work. At the camp and during our time at NJIT my team grew closer and closer with each trail. As we grew closer our presentation got better. I will also remember my cabin, #6. The people in my cabin got really close, including myself, and it was really cool. I learned that when it comes to oral presentations you should just know the content and everything will be fine, I would definitely recommend to a friend.

-D.

My time at NJIT's Financial Literacy camp was very unique. At the beginning of the four weeks I wasn't too open to working four other people on such a big project. But now I've grown closer to my group members. The ending of the program truly is bitter sweet. I might not miss waking up early every morning, but I'll miss all of C's outlandish comments and M and W's shenanigans. The camping trip to Princeton-Blairstown Center truly was the highlight of my time here. All the team building exercises really helped everyone grow closer. I wish we would have taken the trip earlier in the program. We all got so close and now we only have one week with one another. I think that everyone deserves this opportunity. We are truly a unique group and I wouldn't trade my time with them for anything.

I feel the trip to Princeton-Blairstown Center (PBC) a very important time. The activities that we did there were fun and engaging. PBC also had many team building activities that allowed me to make more friends. Without that trip many people would still not be talking or hanging out in small groups. The trip also allowed everyone to gain each other's trust with the low and high rope challenges. I will never forget this experience.

-D. E.

NJIT's Financial Literacy camp was an awesome experience. I learned a lot about finance and business. It has given me an opportunity to learn things that most students don't learn until college. It has given me a head start. I met a lot of great friends and I was able to step out of my comfort zone. It was a great mixture of hard work and fun experiences. It was a great way to start my summer. My favorite part was at Princeton-Blairstown Center kayaking, rock climbing, hiking, and being by the campfire. I am extremely grateful for having this opportunity and I thank the funders for making it possible. It has inspired me to study business in the future.

-J. S.

During this camp, I have learned a lot about business. I've learned how to analyze information and read financials. My favorite memory would be the Princeton-Blairstown Center camp. I love getting to know new people and try new things. We also did a lot of team building exercises that helped for when we did our projects. I also enjoyed being in the woods. This is my second time doing this camp and I can honestly say it is a great experience. All of this information that we learn is beneficial for the future when we all go our separate ways.

-K. W.

This camp is an experience I will never forget. I believe NJIT has set up an amazing camp for high schoolers and this is something everyone should have the opportunity to go through. I learned so much through not just the formal classes, but from my peers and the T.A.'s. Everyone is so supportive and the FLC provides such a positive atmosphere for everyone. One of the biggest things I learned about was team work. I learned to be reliant and dependent on fellow team mates. NJIT's FLC not only met, but surpassed all my expectations. I've made so many amazing friends and learned so much that I will never forget.

-T. T.

The camp here at NJIT was an amazing learning experience for me. I feel like it really helped me develop teamwork skills and trust. It really made me push myself and step out of my comfort zone. I learned that I'm not the only person that gets nervous during presentations and I got to know a lot of amazing people here. I will always remember how this camp changed my perspective of the world and everything around me. My favorite memories were ones that I made with people I met here recently and shared tons of laughs with them. The greatest challenge I had was building the confidence to present but with my team behind me I felt like I could do anything.

My favorite moment/memory was definitely having lunch at the camp, that was the first time I decided to socialize with people outside of my town. My greatest challenge was probably asserting myself and also attempting to not look like a fool throughout the camp. I definitely learned that I'm more social than I think I am, and that, when given the chance, I talk too much. I will remember my Bellville buddies the most, they're surprisingly pretty cool people. Working in a team can actually be rewarding as long as everyone puts in the work equally. I'm proud to be a part of this program, and I'm glad that is all worked out.

-M. R.

I've had a lot of fun at NJIT's Financial Literacy camp! I can hands down say that my favorite memory is the water fight at Princeton-Blairstown Center. It was such a shocker when our T.A.'s splashed water on us and although it got chaotic, I still enjoyed it. Another one of my favorite memories is when I would get encouragement from my peers before I went to do a certain activity. It truly meant the most to me when people who I wasn't close with encouraged me and now I'm happily friends with a lot of the people I didn't know before. Thank you!

-P. P.

I think this camp is great! It taught me a lot about finance and different struggles companies go through on a daily base. My favorite moment had to be outside the hall will my group because we would have extra time after practicing our presentation and we would just laugh and be silly. My personal greatest challenge was trying to figure out how to work with my group the best because we all had different ideas. I learned that everyone has their own part in a team and each part is important. I will remember my time with my cabin mates the most because we all woke up so early just to read our different books but in each other's company. Oral presentations are not too hard but I had to help my team members calm down because they got nervous. Thank you for letting me have this experience and make all my new friends.

-M. F.

My favorite memory is doing fun activities with my group at Princeton-Blairstown Center (PBC). My greatest challenge was the first day at PBC engaging myself with my group members. Another challenge was presenting in front of my peers. A lesson I learned was how to be a wonderful leader. Something that I will remember the most are the friends I made and the time I spent camping. Something I learned about oral presentations was speaking up. Something I learned about working as a team is listening to other people and the ideas they have.

I really enjoyed my time here at NJIT. It was amazing. I really learned how to work in a group and how to publicly speak. My favorite moments were being at lunch with my new friends. I've really learned how to be social, even though that was a big challenge for me at first. My time here was really fun and beneficial. I will truly never forget it.

-J. G.

My time here at camp was a very wonderful experience. I learned about finance while meeting new people and making friends. This camp challenged me in communicating with others and made me overcome my fears of heights at the Princeton-Blairstown Center. I think I will always remember this opportunity because of how much fun I had. The Blairstown center was my favorite part because I met new people and had a lot of fun doing the activities they planned. I am so grateful to be given this opportunity from NJIT and I just want to thank you for all of it. -J. J. I had a great time at this camp. This was both a fun and learning experience. I met many new people and bonded quickly. This camp threw many challenges at me that I overcame. The camping was definitely the best part. The food was great and the T.A.'s were especially helpful and supportive. I would definitely like to do this again. I can use the things I learned in this camp in the new school year. Everything here was organized and Mr. Gomez did a great job helping me out. He gave me more confidence and inspired me to never give up. To conclude, I'll take home so many memories. But it's definitely sad to know I may not ever see these people again. Thank you for the experience.

-C. C.

My favorite memory was after I finished my first formal presentation. After we finished, my group and I were showered with positive feedback, high fives, and claps. My group and I worked hard on our presentation with many ups and downs along the way, but we managed to successfully present our information. I was extremely proud of the project my group produced and everyone in the audience was as well. Overall, the NJIT Financial Literally camp was an amazing experience for me with the presentation, Princeton-Blairstown Center, and all the supportive people. I will always remember this program!

-L. S.

The program was overall very fun. My favorite part was the week at camp. We went through many obstacles. The presentations were also fun but very challenging because we had to do a lot of research and presenting isn't my best skill. I've learned many lessons in business and life. I'll always remember the people at this program because they made it very fun and enjoyable. What I learned about oral presentations is to be more confident. Confidence really helped me get through the presentation. I enjoyed working with my team because we all contributed and made it fun. Overall the program was an experience I'll never forget and would really help and benefit me in the future.

-P. T.

I definitely believe that the Princeton-Blairstown Center trip was an amazing experience. It was not only educational but enjoyable and unforgettable. Despite its overwhelming amazingness, it did not overshadow the point and importance of camp: financial literacy. I believe that this is an experience that has presented me knowledge, entertainment, and necessary skills that I will find useful in the future. I am extremely grateful and hope that many will experience this program. -M. G. I had a tremendous experience here at the NJIT Financial Literacy camp. My favorite memory was the activities that we all did at the Princeton-Blairstown Center. The greatest challenge that I faced was getting through my presentation because of my nerves. I will remember the friends that I have made along the way. These friends are long lasting and they have made my experience one hundred times better.

-G. P.