

## The Impacts of a Revolutionary Financial Literacy Course

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Our world may be divided by caste, gender, culture, language, race, and many other characteristics of ourselves that we don't decide but no matter how many groups and levels we have created for ourselves, the need for money does not change. The ways we inherit that money and use it will differ but we all need it nonetheless. And when there is a need, purpose, and use for money there has to be financial literacy, especially among youth.

Before I had the opportunity to partake in Enriched Academy I thought I knew everything about money and eventually how to make it as well. I was never the type to want the newest iPhone or go out with my friends every weekend. Don't spend a lot of money, pay your bills on time, and never use a credit card. That's all I needed to know to be financially responsible, right? Wrong. Our world isn't the world it once was with the large sum of information and resources available to us all within a screen. This makes it difficult to narrow down the information that is accurate and reliable. Where there are so many options, how do you know which one to choose? This is when I was introduced to Enriched Academy through my school.

Enriched Academy doesn't teach you concepts you can find through a website with a self-proclaimed millionaire who supposedly could teach you to make thousands of dollars weekly at home. Their approach to teaching goes beyond how to make a simple buck. Before I participated in their course I wasn't aware that I could start to create a strong foundation for my financial stability as an adult at the age of 16. I always thought I needed to wait until I had a traditional 9-5 job and earned a stable income to start thinking about ways to become financially free. However, through Enriched Academy I've learned that if I'm old enough to spend money I'm old enough to learn about ways to grow that money as well.

Since I've taken the course I've opened up a high-interest savings account and am in the process of setting up a savings account under the custody of my parents so I can start investing in the stock market. Investing in stocks has become a popular topic amongst many but the ways to do it are never shared. And when it is, the process is made to seem complex and outright impossible for youth when in reality it's all possible with a little bit of work and research. And why say no when Enriched Academy does half the work for you by sharing 2 different modules on just stock market investing. Their



modules didn't just share optional ways to grow my money by investing through stocks and properties but shared crucial information about inevitable financial encounters like taxes, RRSPs, and insurance. That is what makes Enriched Academy so different from other sources, they haven't just taught about ways to make money but how to keep it as well.

What I have gained through Enriched Academy isn't just a couple of modules or workbooks, it's an experience that I'll always remember and knowledge that truly is the key to success. Having the course provided through my school was a sign that shows us, students, that our curriculum is changing and so are the standards to push out intelligent and hardworking students that are not only capable of memorizing historians and formulas but can create a life for themselves without financial strain. We can change with the ever-evolving world and believe in our goals even when the pathway changes just like how Kevin Cochran and Jay Seabrook auditioned for Dragon's Den a second time. Thank you for this opportunity.

With utmost respect,

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