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## **Align Credit Union Hosts CU 4 Reality™ Financial Education Fairs *Program prepares students for real life personal financial decisions***

Lowell, MA, July 20, 2018 - Volunteers from Align Credit Union recently hosted four CU 4 Reality Fairs for eighth grade students in the Greater Lowell area. The Fairs helped prepare students for real life personal financial decisions by teaching them about career development and personal money management. Prior to the Fair, students were taught about budgeting, savings, investing and more.

At the Fair, students visited tables and booths to determine their personal expenses like housing, transportation, food, entertainment and more. They also spun the "Wheel of Reality" to receive an unexpected expense or windfall that they incorporated into their budget.

The two-hour Fairs were held at Dr. An Wang Middle School, Benjamin F. Butler Middle School, Henry J. Robinson Middle School and Stocklosa Middle School.



### Photo 1 Caption:

Photo: Align staff at Dr. An Wang Middle School.



**Photo 2 Caption:**

Photo: Align staff at the Benjamin F. Butler Middle School.



**Photo 3 Caption:**

Photo: Align staff at the Henry J. Robinson Middle School.

### **About Align Credit Union**

Since 1922, Align Credit Union has provided customized banking solutions to individuals and families throughout Northeastern Massachusetts and Southern New Hampshire. Align offers a full suite of products and services including Personal and Business Banking, Mortgages, Financial Planning and Insurance. Founded as the Northern Massachusetts Telephone Workers Credit Union (NMTW), the Credit Union changed its name to Align in 2013. Membership is open to anyone who lives, works or attends school in many communities throughout Eastern Massachusetts and Southern New Hampshire. For additional information, stop by one of seven branches in Amesbury, Danvers, Framingham, Haverhill, Lowell, Methuen and Wilmington or visit [www.AlignCU.com](http://www.AlignCU.com).

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