

LUSO Federal Credit Union School Banking Newsletter

Spring Edition 2025

School Banking Contests

March

Guess how much food is in the jar?

April

Guess how many colorful markers
are in the jar?

School Banking Contest Winners

Some of our school banking contest
winners from January & February



Spring Into Savings: Growing Your Goals With LUSO!

Spring is a great time to set new goals. Are you saving extra spending money for a summer trip, a new toy, or something even bigger? Start small by saving a little bit each week, and soon you'll see your savings grow.

Don't forget—you can deposit your money during In-School Banking or stop by one of our branches with your family.

5 Simple Ways You Can Save Money This Spring



1. Set a Savings Goal
2. Save Your Allowance
3. Recycle cans/bottles for refund
4. Chores for family and neighbors
5. Make Consistent Deposits at In-School Banking



By saving a little bit each week, you'll be ready for all the fun adventures summer has to offer!

Let's make this spring full of learning, saving, and fun!



Stop by one of LUSO Federal Credit Union's sponsored Little Free Libraries to take a book, leave a book, or both!

Build a Sunflower Fort!

Materials Needed:
Sunflower Seeds
Shovel
Watering Can

Not only will your children love planting sunflower seeds, they will also enjoy watching them grow. Best of all though is that they can use the sunflowers to grow a fort that they can play in all summer.

Instructions:

Step 1: After the last frost of the year, dig a 5 by 5 foot square in your garden or yard. You want the soil loose and not wet.

Step 2: Plant your sunflower seeds around the edges of the square. This will form your fort. Keep the seeds 12 to 18 inches apart.

Step 3: Immediately cover your seeds with soil. Then water your sunflower seeds for 30 seconds.

Step 4: Continue watering your seeds 2 to 3 times a day for 30 seconds each.

Step 5: Finally, watch your sunflower seeds grow and form a fort that your children can play in all summer. An added bonus is that they can eat the sunflower seeds or use them to feed birds! And if a fort does not appeal to your children and you have budding entrepreneurs, consider selling the sunflowers or seeds to bring joy to others!



Source: thegardeningdad.com



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LUSO in the Community

LUSO is a Credit Union
with a BIG community presence.

Get Your Pink On Event



Springfield RV,
Camping & Outdoor
Show



Look for LUSO
at this upcoming event!

Western Mass Home & Garden Show
Eastern States Exposition
Thursday, March 27 - Monday, March 30
West Springfield, MA



HOME
SHOW
2025

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LUSO in the community events



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Teacher's Corner: Partnering for Financial Success

At LUSO Federal Credit Union, we're proud to work alongside teachers and staff to bring financial education to students through our In-School Banking program.

We're here to support your efforts in creating a well-rounded learning environment for your students. If you have ideas for incorporating financial education into your lessons or would like to collaborate on classroom activities, let us know! Together, we can help students gain valuable life skills while building stronger connections between LUSO and your school community.

Thank you for all you do to make the In-School Banking program such a success!

Marshmallow Fruit Dip

Ingredients:
1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
3/4 cup cherry yogurt
1 carton (8 ounces) frozen whipped topping, thawed
1 jar (7 ounces) marshmallow creme
Assorted fresh fruit

Directions:
In a bowl, blend cream cheese and yogurt.
Fold in whipped topping and marshmallow creme.
Serve with fruit.



Source: tasteofhome.com

Increase Your Financial Knowledge with Banzai

The Banzai Program offers financial information for all ages, even adults!

A good credit score has a major impact on your finances, so it's important to start out strong. In this Coach session, learn how to build a credit score for the first time or boost a good score, and create a plan with options that work for you.



BORROWING AND CREDIT

How Do I Build Credit?

Learn how to build your credit score from scratch or boost your good score.

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