

What Is the Economic Education Laboratory?

It's a free educational resource center at the Boston Fed open to middle and high school teachers and students who want to learn about

- economics
- economic history
- personal finance

To Arrange a Visit

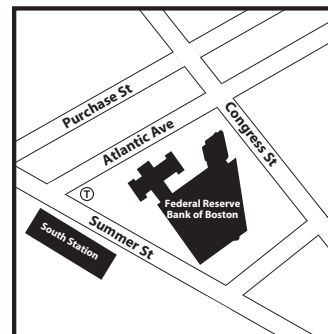
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Please note: Tinkerplots and Boston Renaissance Resource Kit use the computer lab, which can accommodate 14 persons for one-to-one computer use and 28 persons with shared computer use.

Location: Federal Reserve Bank of Boston
600 Atlantic Avenue
Boston, Massachusetts 02210

Public transportation: Red Line or commuter rail to South Station

Map:



Visitors may not bring backpacks, cameras, or other metal items into the Bank. Adults need to bring government-issued photo identification.

The Economic Education Laboratory is one of several economic education resources offered by the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. An additional major resource is the Economic Adventure, which includes both the web site,

www.economicadventure.org

and an Adventure facility located at the Boston Fed. The Adventure facility and web site use New England's economic history to explore how improved living standards derive from advances in productivity. The Adventure facility offers interactive games, exhibits, and activities. Groups visiting the Boston Fed may arrange to visit in a single day both the Adventure facility and the Economic Education Laboratory.

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Workshops for Teachers

Learn about resources for teaching economic education and personal finance:

- **Federal Reserve System resources:** Explore best ways to use the System's Economic Education Resource Guide and educational web sites, including:
www.federalreserveeducation.org
www.economicadventure.org
- **Resources offered by other organizations:** Learn about the many teaching resources of the National Council on Economic Education (NCEE), Jump\$tart, Junior Achievement (JA), and Foundation for Teaching Economics (FTE).
- **Tinkerplots:** Learn the ins and outs of Tinkerplots before your students use this software for the first time.
- **Boston Renaissance Resource Kit:** Explore the workings of this resource and try it out before your students use it for the first time.

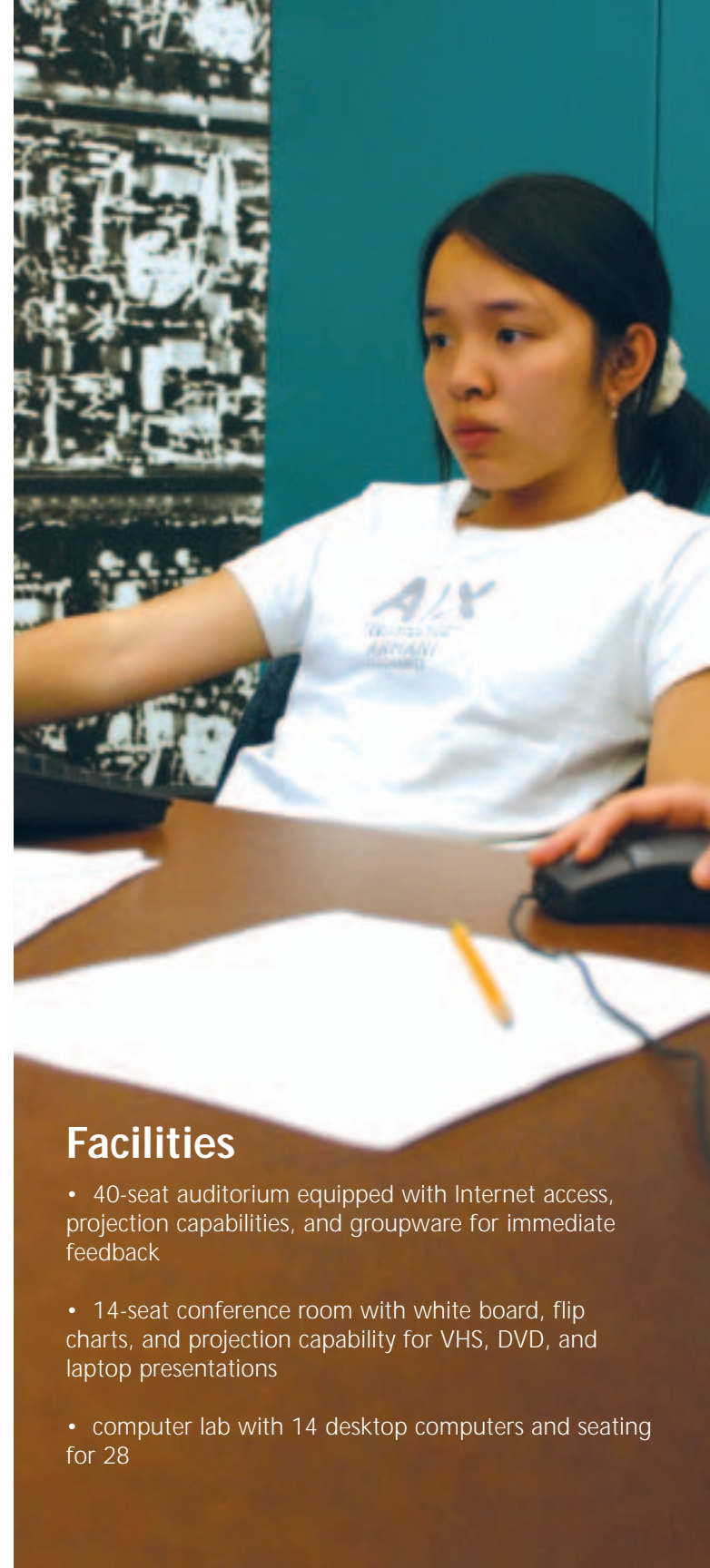
Programs for Students

See economic concepts come alive:

- **Manufacturing North:** This hands-on, 45-minute program uses early economic history to explore concepts of risk and reward, entrepreneurship, and incentive. (This program works well alone or in conjunction with a visit to the Boston Fed's Economic Adventure.)
- **The World That Lowell Made:** This Internet-enabled, 45-minute presentation addresses simple and compound interest — how it works for you and how it can work against you. (This program works well alone or in conjunction with a visit to the Boston Fed's Economic Adventure.)

Try your hand at data-driven decision-making:

- **Tinkerplots:** Create and manipulate median, mean, range, and mode to solve problems using this unique data-analysis software created at U Mass-Amherst.
- **Boston Renaissance Resource Kit:** Solve urban planning problems using this database and software developed by Northeastern University's Center for Urban and Regional Planning.



Facilities

- 40-seat auditorium equipped with Internet access, projection capabilities, and groupware for immediate feedback
- 14-seat conference room with white board, flip charts, and projection capability for VHS, DVD, and laptop presentations
- computer lab with 14 desktop computers and seating for 28