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Hamilton – Tandia Financial Literacy Challenge – Brock University Faculty of Education

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Congratulations to Brock University Teacher Candidate winners Emily Barrett and Amy Zavitz! In early spring, Brock Education students had the opportunity to submit a short video exploring one of the four areas of financial literacy: saving, debt, debt repayment, and budgeting. Two awards in the amount of \$1,000 were granted to each winning candidate; one for a graduating concurrent education student and one for a consecutive student completing their first year.

The Financial Literacy Challenge is designed to strengthen students' perceptions of general finances and how they can be taught in today's classrooms as well as to assist in the alleviation of what can be an otherwise onerous cost of tuition.

Partnerships between the Credit Union and institutions such as Brock's Faculty of Education further solidify our commitment to the educational community.

"The Ministry of Education recognizes financial literacy as a core component of the Ontario curriculum," says Dorothy Buchanan, Coordinator, Professional Development for Students, Recruitment and Retention, Faculty of Education. "Through this partnership, Tandia not only contributes to Brock students' development of financial literacy, but also the children who our graduates will soon be teaching. The digital format of the challenge is consistent with the focus both organizations have on 21st century learning and engagement and we're very excited about this award".

Congratulations to this year's winners.



Pictured Left to right, Logan Horncastle, Branch Manager Tandia; Amy Zavitz Brock University Consecutive Teacher candidate; Emily Barrett Brock University Concurrent Teacher Candidate; Carla Ricci, Manager Business Development Tandia

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