

## Okaloosa County News Release



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### Teach Children to Save ends July 31<sup>st</sup> *Ask About it at Your Local Bank*

Okaloosa Saves Teach Children to Save 2009 program will end on July 31. Any child or youth 18 or younger who sets a savings goal and makes a deposit(s) into a saving account (Existing or New Account) by **July 31, 2009** is eligible to win *one of six \$100 savings bonds*. Parents and grandparents are encouraged to take their child to a local financial institution to make a deposit into a savings account.

**Start saving young!** "This is a great opportunity for youth to open a savings account or add to an existing one AND have a chance to win a \$100 savings bond. It also gives adults, especially parents and teachers, the opportunity to begin a discussion about money and savings," added Okaloosa Saves Chair Nicholas Barlotta.

Local banks and credit unions participating in "Teach Children to Save 2009" include:

Beach Community Bank  
CCB Community Bank  
Coastal Bank & Trust  
Eglin Federal Credit Union  
First City Bank  
First National Bank of Crestview  
Okaloosa County Teachers Credit Union

For additional information on Okaloosa Saves or this project, visit <http://okaloosasaves.org> or call 689-5850 or 729-1400, ext. 5850. Okaloosa Saves is part of the national initiative America Saves <http://americasaves.org> and coordinated locally by the University of Florida/IFAS Extension in Okaloosa County.

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