

# Accounting... The Language of Business

## What Accountants Do

- Analyze, verify, and report the results of financial information to:
  - Organizations
  - Governmental Agencies
  - Individuals
- Accountants:
  - Can make a lot of money
  - Own their business
  - Travel
  - Meet a lot of interesting people
  - Get involved in a variety of business situations

## Some Careers in Accounting & Finance

- Public Accounting
- Corporate Accounting
- Tax Accounting
- Entrepreneur
- Professor
- Non-Profit
- Information Technology



## Some Keys to Success

- Strong desire to succeed
- Strong work ethic
- Ability to handle confidential information
- Flexible
- Perseverance
- Ability to network (socially acceptable)
- Be politically astute
- Be technically competent

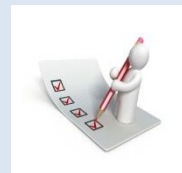
## Some Necessary Skills

- Good knowledge of accounting and finance
- Excellent computer skills
- Use 10-key by touch
- Attention to detail
- Strong organizational skills
- Excellent communication skills
- Strong analytical skills



## Some Rewards

- Financial prosperity
- Access to confidential and proprietary information
- Exposure to: diversity, senior leaders, various technologies
- Travel
- Network with like-minded professionals
- Multiple job opportunities



## Education/Training

- Degree in accounting or other business-related field:
  - Marketing, management, economics, technology, etc.
- Advanced Degrees
- Certifications:
  - Certified Public Accountant (CPA)
  - Other

