



STOCK MARKET EXPERIENCE

2017-2018 Teacher's Guide



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Dear Colorado Teacher,

Thank you for registering your students in Economic Literacy Colorado *Stock Market Experience*. **We are excited to announce numerous enhancements and new features to the Stock Market Experience this year!** Please see page 5 for more details!

The Stock Market Experience is a **FREE** real-life online simulation for grades 3-12 that advances student academic achievement in the core academic disciplines. This exciting program provides students with their own virtual \$100,000 investment portfolio. Students work individually or in teams to invest in stocks, mutual funds, bonds and commodities on US and international exchanges over the course of a semester. Students compete in statewide and regional divisions by grade level for cash prizes.

There are many accessible features of the Stock Market Experience for students and teachers:

- Real time trading with **streaming** portfolio updates
- Online research tools
- Many trading options including stocks, mutual funds, bonds, commodities, domestic and international markets
- Low transaction fees
- Lesson plans and curriculum support from Economic Literacy Colorado
- Free teacher training with both in-person and webinar sessions available
- Customer service provided directly to teachers and students by expert help desk staff during trading hours

Please contact me directly at any time with questions or requests. I look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,



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Overview

This Teacher Guide contains information to help you best understand the different aspects of the Stock Market Experience Program including Rules, Awards Program Details and Best Practices for implementing the program in your classroom.

The Stock Market Experience utilizes a state-of-the-art, intuitive and dynamic software platform from StockTrak that is also used by more than five hundred U.S. Universities and Business schools. The technology is continually updated to ensure that it is the top-of-line and user-friendly. We provide quality support and resources for you to use in your classroom. We are happy to provide this premier stock market classroom experience to you and your students.

2017-2018 Trading Dates

Fall 2017 Trading Dates:

September 11 to November 30, 2017
Registration deadline: September 22, 2017
First trade deadline: September 29, 2017

Early Spring 2018 Trading Dates:

January 22 to April 18, 2018
Registration deadline: February 9, 2018
First trade deadline: February 16, 2018

Yearlong Trading Dates:

September 11, 2017 – April 18, 2018
Registration deadline: September 22, 2017
First trade deadline: September 29, 2017

Late Spring 2018 Trading Dates:

February 26 to May 11, 2018
Registration deadline: March 12, 2018
First trade deadline: March 19, 2018

Stock Market Experience Teacher Training

Teachers who are new to the Stock Market Experience are strongly encouraged to participate in either the on-site training or one of the FREE teacher training webinar sessions.

The On-site training provides hands-on help with the SME website and the Stock Market Experience program, specific lessons, and Best Teaching Practices presented by an SME Mentor Teacher. Teacher resources will be provided in this training class. There is a \$10 refundable deposit for participating in this class.

The Stock Market Experience Webinar Training is perfect for all teachers and is very convenient! You will need a phone and an internet connection to participate but you can join from any location. This 1-hour webinar teacher training session provides a comprehensive overview of the Stock Market Experience website, available resources, and trading rules. There is no charge to participate in a webinar.

Teacher training Spring 2018

Register: <http://econlitco.org/sme-workshops/>

On-Site Training

Saturday, Saturday January 13, 2018
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Hosted by  ONLINE TRADING
ACADEMY

7535 E Hampden Ave #525,
Denver, CO 80231 [Map](#)

Webinar Training

Spring Dates: Thursday January
11, 2018 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday January 17th 4:00
p.m.

Saturday January 20th 10:00 a.m.

New this year

(See <http://econlitco.org/> for complete details.)

- Mentored Investment Challenge
- Info Graphic Competition
- Teacher prizes

Features

- Mobile-Friendly
- Accessible anytime, on any device
- Year-long SME competition (not eligible for prizes)
- One User ID and password to manage multiple sessions
- Pre and post tests
- Built-in lesson plan features along with assignment tracking
- Downloadable student activity reports
- Tutorial videos on site navigation and investment basics
- Updated lesson plans and PFL articles
- Trading notes
- Top stories and Market News
- Complete user guide
- Financial Calculators: Net Worth, Compound Interest, Household budget, Rate of Return and more!

Free Newspaper Subscriptions

As a Stock Market Experience teacher, you can sign-up for a FREE classroom subscription to the electronic *Denver Post*. This is a valuable research tool for students to use. There are many user-friendly features on the online Denver Post designed specifically for teachers.

To sign up for your free online subscription, simply register at www.coloradonie.com. There is no special code required. Click on [e-Edition and then on order](#). Contact Lisa Vogt at sme@econlitco.org with any questions that you have regarding your free subscription.



Staying Informed

- **EMAIL: School e-mail systems often block e-mail from our office.** As many important messages regarding the Stock Market Experience are delivered via e-mail, please ask your school network administrator or computer technician to allow messages from sme@econlitco.org and registrations@stocktrak.com
- **SMe News:** Each month you will receive an email with current rankings and news about the Stock Market Experience. Keep an eye out for these emails.
- **Facebook and Twitter:** Find relevant lesson plans and news stories on our social media sites. To find ECONLITCO, visit www.econlitco.org and click on the 'Like Us' link. *Facebook and Twitter updates from ECONLITCO automatically update in the right-hand panel of the Stock Market Experience portfolio!* Be sure to check these updates frequently for important information!
- **Announcements:** Important information for teachers and students will be communicated throughout the trading sessions using the ANNOUNCEMENTS Box in the right-hand column of the Stock Market Experience trading portfolio. Be sure to check this box frequently for important information during your trading sessions!

- **RSS News Feeds:** The right-hand column of your Stock Market Experience portfolio includes streaming RSS News Feeds that provide valuable up-to-the-minute market news while you are trading.
- **Embedded Video:** Your Stock Market Experience portfolio includes embedded videos in the right-hand column. These videos change frequently and provide educational content from our partners and sponsors.

Stock Market Experience Awards

- **Statewide Awards** - First, second and third placing teams overall in state and their teachers will be awarded cash prizes as specified below. Placement is determined by the highest return-on-investment at the close of business on the last day of the tournament.

SME Awards for Students* and Teachers**			
Division	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
HIGH SCHOOL	\$100	\$50	\$25
MIDDLE SCHOOL			
ELEMENTARY			
YEAR-LONG AND LATE SPRING SESSIONS WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR CASH PRIZES OR PARTICIPATION IN THE AWARDS CEREMONY			

- **Regional Winners – Classroom Celebration.** Student teams that places FIRST OVERALL in their geographic region will receive \$50 for a Stock Market Experience Classroom Celebration. (Geographic Regions are Denver Metro, Pikes Peak, NE / North Central, NW / West Central, and South)
- **State and Regional Winners - Certificates** Economic Literacy Colorado will present all state and regional first, second, and third place winners in each age division with personalized award certificates to recognize their success.

Teachers may download participation certificates from the Economic Literacy Colorado website for any student regardless of placement.

Eligibility for Awards

Students who participate in the Fall 2017 and Early Spring 2018 trading sessions are eligible for Stock Market Experience awards. No awards will be given for the Late Spring or Yearlong sessions.

- Teams must make at least one trade by the trade deadline.
- Teams must also comply with all official rules.
- Accounts will be audited at the end of the game to ensure accuracy. Official results will be announced once the audit is complete.
- If your team suspects an error at any time during the trading period, please submit an online error report as soon as possible. Click on the 'Home' tab and then select "Contact Us" under "General Links."
- To view rankings: Teams must first login. Select 'Rankings' under the 'My Portfolio' tab. Rankings can be viewed three ways:
 - **Overall Rankings:** include all teams in the state. State level awards are based on these rankings.
 - **Division Rankings:** are based on grade level and geographic region in the state. Division rankings are used to determine the teams invited to the awards ceremony (certificate recognition).
 - **Class Rankings:** are based on the teams competing within your class only. You may use these rankings to create your own class competition if you choose. Stock Market Experience does not provide awards based on class ranking.
- **Division Accuracy:** It is the teacher's responsibility to ensure that his or her teams are competing in the correct division. This can easily be determined by viewing the Division Rankings which include the names of the schools. If your team of high school students is ranked among middle schools, you are most likely in the wrong division. Please notify sme@econlitco.org if you feel that you have been ranked in the wrong division. Teams consisting of cross-division students (i.e. a team of 5th and 6th graders or 8th and 9th graders) must compete in the division based on the highest grade level. Any team that is found to be ranked in the wrong division will be moved to the correct division. All rankings will be adjusted accordingly.

Awards Ceremony

First, second, and third place teams for State and Regional divisions will be invited to the Annual SME Awards Ceremony in May*. Save the Date announcements and Invitations will be sent via e-mail to these teams prior to the event. Invitees must pre-register as instructed on the invitation, using the registration link provided on the invitation.

*Fall and Early Spring sessions only.

- **Those invited to attend the awards ceremony at no cost include:**
 - Winning team members (up to five students, schools may pay for additional students on winning teams).
 - One advisor or teacher for winning team (Schools may pay for co-advisors).
 - District Superintendent or School Principal (These tickets can only be used for administration).
 - One parent guest per winning team member (up to 5 guests per team). Parents may pay for additional parent/guardian and siblings to attend.

- **Additional guests:**
 - Additional guests may pay to attend the awards ceremony to cover the cost of their admission and food at the reception. The Stock Market Experience makes every effort to keep this cost minimal.
 - The Awards Ceremony invitation will include payment instructions for additional guests. The estimated cost is approximately \$10 per guest. An exact cost will be provided on the invitation. This cost pays for admission, the event cost, and refreshments at the reception.
 - Please register guests as soon as possible. Additional spaces are available on a space-available, first-come, first-serve basis.
 - Space is limited at the awards ceremony. Once the event reaches capacity, guests will be added to a wait list and notified that they are on a wait list. Payment will not be processed until a guest is moved from the wait list and their reservation is confirmed.
 - REFUNDS: Economic Literacy Colorado must be notified 48 hours in advance at (303) 752-2323 if a refund is requested. Refunds will not be made after this time. Waiting lists are likely, so please notify Economic Literacy Colorado as soon as possible if you are unable to attend.

STOCK MARKET EXPERIENCE RULES

1. **Registration and Trading Dates:** Please note the registration deadlines for each contest on the SME website. Teachers may add additional teams until this deadline. Teams must make at least one trade by the trading deadline. Teams who do not begin trading by this deadline will be ineligible for prizes and recognition at the Awards Ceremony.

Contest	Trading Dates	Registration Deadline	First Trading Deadline
Early Spring 2018	January 22 - April 18	February 9	February 16
Late Spring 2018	February 26- May 11	March 12	March 19
Yearlong	September 11, 2017 - May 11, 2018	September 22, 2017	September 29, 2017

2. **Teacher Teams:** Teachers are automatically registered for their own Stock Market Experience account when you register student teams. The teacher team appears first on the list of teams and does not contain a “- #” following the username. We encourage all teachers to participate with the students. Teacher accounts are not eligible for awards.

3. **Trading begins:** Participants may place orders after the market closes one business day prior to the Trading Start date. Those orders will be executed when the market opens on the Trading Start date.

4. **Initial Cash Balance:** At the beginning of the session, student teams will be given an initial cash balance of \$100,000 fictitious funds in their Stock Market Experience portfolio account that can be used to make simulated buy or sell transactions using real market pricing as described in more detail below. Limit one Stock Market Experience account per eligible person.

5. **Eligible Securities:** The Stock Market Experience offers a wide variety of stock, mutual funds, bonds, and commodities traded on U.S. and international markets. To see which stock exchanges are available for this simulation click on “[Trade Stocks](#)” under the “Make a Trade” tab and then see table with different exchanges.

6. **Order Types and Trade Execution:**

- Students and teams are **limited to 300 trades** during the competition. There will be **no extensions** to this number.
- Market, limit, and stop orders will be accepted for stock orders.

- Trades may be placed for as little as one share per transaction with a minimum price of \$5.00.
- Trade of up to half of the actual daily volume may be made. Volume is the number of shares traded in a security or an entire market during a given period of time. It is simply the amount of shares that trade hands from sellers to buyers as a measure of activity. Most sites such as Yahoo! Finance will display the volume.
- All orders for North American stocks are executed at the real-time bid/ask prices as provided by our data vendor when placed during market hours.
- Due to exchange rules, the web page will display a delayed price estimate of the price until 15-20 minutes has elapsed.
- The transaction will automatically appear in the trader's portfolio and transaction history.
- Market orders placed while the markets are closed or before the market opens will be executed as market conditions permit shortly after the market opens.
- If the stock requested has not traded in the real market the day it was requested, the trade will be cancelled.
- Trades placed after-market hours can be viewed in the Pending Orders screen.
- Pending Orders can be cancelled until 9:25 am ET on the day the trade is scheduled for execution.
- Pending market orders placed on halted stocks will be cancelled if trading does not resume by the end of the day.
- Limit and stop orders may be placed as "Day" orders which are good for the day only, or as "GTC" orders, which are good until cancelled. Participants must choose which one they prefer when placing their order.
- If a participant does not have adequate cash or buying power to process a trade, then the numbers of shares will be adjusted to allow the trade to be filled as best it can.
- Participants cannot cancel market orders placed during market hours.

7. Commissions: Each trade will incur a broker commission fee of \$10.00 which will be subtracted from the portfolio cash balance.

8. Buying on Margin: Participants can borrow an additional \$100,000 but will be charged interest for the use of these funds.

9. Splits, Dividends, and other Corporate Actions: Most stock splits, dividends, and other corporate actions reported by the news wires will be accounted for after the markets have closed and prior to the next market opening. These situations may cause account values to be misrepresented until the reconciliation occurs for next open business day.

10. **Trading Halts:** Halted, restricted, and blocked stocks will not be available for trading. Any trade that is confirmed after trading has been halted will be reversed.
11. **Discrepancies:** Participants should report any account discrepancy within one (1) week from the transaction date. The Colorado Stock Market Experience Support Services Group will, at its sole discretion investigate and adjust any legitimate discrepancy. Discrepancies reported after one (1) week may or may not be adjusted. To contact the [Support Services Group](#) click on the link provided on the bottom of the FAQ page and fill out the brief form. Replies are usually sent within 24 hours by return e-mail.
12. **Transaction Limits:** Participants may invest a maximum of 25% of their simulated portfolio value in any one stock, mutual fund, commodity or bond.
13. **Day Trading:** Teams do not have the ability to buy and sell the same securities during the same day.
14. **Short Selling:** Teams do have the ability to short sell.
15. **Interest:** You will earn interest on positive cash balances in your account and interest will be charged to your account for margin loans. Interest Earn rate = 1.2%. Interest Charge Rate = 7.3%.
16. Trades that result from cases of stolen passwords, those submitted by a team member without the consent of his or her team mates, and / or trades that result due to human error will not be deleted from accounts under any circumstances.
17. Some of your trades may not be private. The Stock Market Experience site will display the last trade placed by a team on the ranking page.
18. Awards will be made based on portfolio value. The rankings posted on www.stockmarketexperience.org will determine which teams receive awards and are invited to the Awards Ceremony.
19. Stock Market Experience advisors must be a responsible adult, 18 years or older. In no case may they be a matriculated student in grades K-12. Teams that do not comply will be removed from the portfolio rankings.
20. The authority to remove a team from the rankings lies solely with the team's Stock Market Experience Coordinator and Economic Literacy Colorado.
22. In the event of an error on the part of StockTrak and/or coordinator organization, their liability to a participant shall be limited to the refund of registration or other fees paid. (During 2017-2018, registration cost is free).

NYSE 2017-2018 Holiday Schedule

The New York Stock Exchange normal hours are from 9:30AM to 4:00PM ET (7:30AM – 2:00 PM Mountain Time) Monday through Friday.

The NYSE closes for certain holidays and occasionally for other extraordinary events.

NYSE Holiday Closures	
Jan. 1, 2018	New Year's Day
Jan 15, 2018	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Feb 19, 2018	Presidents' Day
Mar 30, 2018	Good Friday
May 28, 2018	Memorial Day
July 4, 2018	Independence Day
Sept 3, 2018	Labor Day
Nov 22, 2018	Thanksgiving
Dec 25, 2018	Christmas

Getting Started in the Stock Market Experience

All first-time teachers are encouraged to attend a FREE teacher training session. See page 4 for more details. Register at: <http://www.econlitco.org/sme-workshops/>

Registration: Register your teams online at www.stockmarketexperience.org. Teams should consist of **no more than 5 members** due to award allocation. Teachers may register for as many teams as needed. Email confirmations with team ID numbers and passwords will be sent to the teacher once registration is complete. Students may log into their portfolio at www.stockmarketexperience.org using their assigned ID and password.

How Much Time is needed? It takes three or four class periods to introduce students to the Stock Market Experience. This can be started before the session officially begins. Once the game starts, students have the opportunity to post trades as often as they like. Because students have access to their online portfolios 24 hours a day, seven days a week from any computer with internet access, teachers have the flexibility of choosing how much or how little class time is devoted to the program.

Preparing to Trade:

Before the session officially opens for trading, teachers can begin preparing their students for the Stock Market Experience. Below is a list of suggested discussion topics and activities that will prepare students. Additional lesson plans and activities are provided to

teachers who participate in teacher training sessions. There are also many valuable lessons and videos available on the Stock Market Experience [Learn Center](#).

- **Pre-Test:** A pre-test covering key investment concepts and vocabulary can be helpful in customizing your presentation of the Stock Market Experience to students based on their knowledge and understanding. This information is also valuable in measuring student learning when concluding the program with a post-test. Pre-tests are available on the Stock Market Experience website.
- **Risk Assessment:** Investors have varying levels of risk tolerance. Students may find that within their team, each person may have a different level of risk tolerance related to investing. Completing a risk assessment together can help prepare the students for working together to make important investment decisions during the Stock Market Experience. A variety of risk assessment tools exist. One to try is the Investment Risk Tolerance Quiz at <http://njaes.rutgers.edu/money/riskquiz>. This quiz helps students determine their preference for risk when investing as well as their preference for investment alternatives.
- **Stock Market Experience Learning Center:** Once students have logged into their portfolio, they can access the [Learn Center](#). The Learn Center is updated continually with valuable information and key topics related to investing. As the students are preparing to trade, it is recommended that teachers allocate time for students to research topics in the Learning Center and report back to the class about what they have learned.
- **Vocabulary and Key Topics:** Developing an understanding of the “language of investing” is especially helpful in preparing students for the Stock Market Experience. Often times, this can be accomplished through an activity or assignment that the students complete in their teams. The Stock Market Experience Learn Center includes a comprehensive online [glossary](#) that students can use. Additional vocabulary activities can be found at http://cee.net/sme_teacher_resources.htm. Other key topics that you may want to discuss prior to trading include: ***What is a company? What is a stock?*** and ***Diversification***.
- **Researching Stocks:** Research and evaluation of investment options is an essential skill for Stock Market Experience participants. Students can begin to research stocks before the trading session opens and identify investments that they want to watch or invest in once the session opens. Information is available at http://cee.net/sme_teacher_resources.htm to assist students with the research process.

- **Stock Market Experience Rules:** It is helpful for students to understand the rules of the Stock Market Experience before they begin to trade. Students can access the rules online at the Stock Market Experience website.
- **[Stock Market Experience Project:](#)** Many teachers will assign a Stock Market Experience project to students. Often times this project has multiple steps that are completed during the course of a trading session. Ideas for projects can be found on the [SME Teacher Resource Page](#).

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Economic Literacy Colorado has compiled a list of frequently asked questions regarding the Stock Market Experience. Use this guide as a starting point to answer any of your Stock Market Experience questions. Please feel free to email the Economic Literacy Colorado's **Stock** Market Experience Coordinator at sme@econlitco.org for any further clarifications or questions you may have.

How much class time does it take?

- It takes three or four class periods to introduce students to the Stock Market Experience, which can be started before the trading session officially begins. Once the trading session starts, students have the opportunity to post trades as often as they like. Because students have access to their online portfolios 24 hours a day, seven days a week from any computer with internet access, teachers have the flexibility of choosing how much or how little class time is devoted to the program.

How is the Stock Market Experience program integrated into core subjects?

- The Stock Market Experience can be adjusted to suit any teacher's needs. The flexibility of the program allows teachers to use it with a variety of subjects including: Social Studies, Math, Business, Technology, Family/Consumer Sciences, and Economics. It can be integrated into regular classrooms, school clubs, after school programs, and gifted and talented programs.

How can the Stock Market Experience help your students?

- **Business Education Teachers:** Use the Stock Market Experience to teach students the characteristics of the business cycle and a market system, the role of business, consumers and government in our economy, how supply and demand interact to determine prices, how to use technology to maintain, manipulate and report financial information, and more.
- **Elementary and Gifted and Talented Teachers:** Use the Stock Market Experience to reinforce math skills and to introduce children to the value of investing and saving for the future. Students also develop important life skills in group decision

making, conflict resolution, data collection and analysis, problem solving, critical thinking, and more.

- **Financial Education Teachers:** Use the Stock Market Experience to help students learn how to apply strategies for creating wealth and building assets, how to develop financial goals and budgets, how to analyze and balance risk against benefits, about the purposes and services of financial institutions, and more.
- **Math Teachers:** Students will see real-world applications as they learn to use ratios, decimals, estimating skills, fractions, amounts of money, percentages, basic computation. Students also learn data analysis and probability, and more.
- **Social Studies and Economics Teachers:** The Stock Market Experience will reinforce your introduction of financial markets and institutions, supply and demand, profit and loss, opportunity cost, risk and return, and more.
- **Students are not the only ones to benefit.**
Teachers improve their financial and economic understanding as well! If you are new to investing yourself and are hesitant to offer the Stock Market Experience to your students, [we offer free teacher training programs to teach](#) you the basics of saving and investing and tips to help you get started using the Stock Market Experience in your classroom.

Does the program help me meet Colorado academic standards?

- The Stock Market Experience program helps meet requirements of Colorado's new Personal Financial Literacy (PFL) standards. The program also meets standards in Economics, Mathematics and even Language Arts! Contact sme@econlitco.org for more information about standards alignment. Below is a list of recent studies that found positive results in student academic performance in economics, financial literacy, and mathematics among students who participated in stock market simulation programs.

What real life skills will my students gain from participating in the Stock Market Experience?

- These are some of the skills your students will be learning: economic and personal financial literacy, resource allocation, diversification and investment strategies, critical thinking, data interpretation, analysis and syntheses through use of models and simulations, problem solving, research skills, oral and written communication, public speaking, leadership, teamwork and collaboration, identifying trends and forecasting possibilities, and student-led inquiry.

How can I measure how well my students are doing?

- Assessment tools are available from Economic Literacy Colorado. Have your students take these assessments as a pre-test, or, take the test yourself and see how much you know about investing. Pre-tests are available on the SME website under the Instructor Administration tab.

What level of investment knowledge is required?

- The Stock Market Experience program is designed so students and teachers learn as they go; therefore, minimal knowledge about investing is needed. In fact, The Stock Market Experience serves as a valuable tool to learn basic investing skills.
- The Colorado Stock Market Experience [help desk is here](#) to help if you have any question about investing concepts or need assistance in locating lesson plans to help your students improve their financial future.
- If you are new to investing and are hesitant to offer the Stock Market Experience to your students, we offer [free teacher training programs](#) to teach you the basics of saving and investing and tips to help you get started using the Stock Market Experience in your classroom.

How do I get started?

- The Stock Market Experience is offered for FREE. We offer free teacher training workshop (either online or in person) for those who wish to participate. Simply [register your teams](#) online. You will receive an email with usernames and passwords. Please check your junk mail folder if you do not receive them within 2 days of registering. No payment is necessary upon registration.

How do my students make trades?

- Trades are made via the [Stock Market Experience web site](#). Students can gain access to accounts on our web site 24 hours a day, seven days a week to review account activity, review class rankings, and research stocks.

What types of resources are provided?

- We provide flexible resources that can stand alone or supplement your existing curriculum.
- [Free teacher training](#) is available to help make the stock market a real and understandable piece of your economic knowledge. Online training is available year round or attend a face-to-face session held each January and September.
- **Help Desk:** A live help desk is available to answer questions and assist in any way. You can also email any questions to sme@econlitco.org.
- **Free Copies of the Denver Post E-Edition Newspaper:** The Denver Post provides free e-edition newspapers to classroom teachers. Register for your FREE classroom subscription at <http://www.coloradonie.com>.
- **Mentors:** The Mentored Investment Challenge pairs financial mentors with teams of up to 5 students to help teams created a high performing balanced portfolio. See the [Economic Literacy Colorado website](#) for more information and to sign up a team.

What sets us apart from other stock market games?

- Teams compete against other Colorado schools for cash prizes and recognition at the annual Stock Market Experience Awards Ceremony!
- We offer awards including cash awards, stock ownership, certificates, class parties and more that recognize winning teachers and students.
- The Stock Market Experience provides students access to a safe and secure site.
- Other free simulations include message boards where students can interact and communicate with adults and anyone else who chooses to use the site. The Stock Market Experience site is limited to registered teachers and their students. All accounts can be tracked to a Colorado school and teacher so they are safe for student use.
- The Stock Market Experience offers a live and local help desk .We're here to answer any questions whether it be a question about your portfolio, the rules, or if you are looking for resources to help explain concepts such as short selling or buying on margin. Many other sites offer little or no support.

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