

# Ohio Stock Market Game

For Grades 4-8 and High School Classrooms

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Fall Game: October 1 - December 7, 2007

Spring Game: February 11 - April 18, 2008

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**What Is It?** The Ohio Stock Market Simulation is designed to involve students in the world of finance and investing. It is also used to enforce collaborative team and decision making skills, and to have fun!

**Curriculum Integration.** The OSMS can effectively be used in economics, social studies, mathematics, business or gifted education. Each teacher structures it to fit classroom needs. Students learn about the role of today's market in our economy and are placed in decision making roles that require research, judgment, analysis, mathematical ability and collaborative work. All materials needed to play are available online or you can call D.R. Fannin at the Center for Economic Education at 937-775-2324 for personal instruction.

**Playing the Simulation.** Classes are divided into teams of 4-5 students. Each team receives \$100,000 in imaginary funds to "trade" common stocks on the New York, American and Nasdaq exchanges. Each team is allowed a limited number of transactions, over a 10-week period, and can choose to buy or sell shares based on both quantitative and qualitative evaluations of companies and corresponding stocks from a variety of sources. The OSMS is available in the online version only. Stock trades made during market hours (9:30 am to 4:00 pm) will receive 20-minute delayed prices. Trades made after the markets close will receive the next business day's opening price. Daily portfolio results are available online. Rankings include all teams in the Dayton Region, separated by divisions of high school and grades 4 to 8.

**Rewards.** The top three winning teams (those with the highest equity at simulation end) of each division will be invited to a celebratory luncheon to be held on the Wright State University campus within a few weeks of simulation end. Each team and its members will be introduced, and the team captain should be prepared to present a brief overview of their team's winning strategy, at which time each team member will receive an award certificate. In addition, the top three winning teams in each division will receive a monetary award according to their ranking, to be mailed to their school at a later date. First place winners receive \$100, with \$75 for second place and \$50 for the third place winners.

**Pricing and Registration.** The cost to play is \$18 per team of 4-5 students. Register online at [http://www.ohiosms.com/oh\\_dayreg.shtml](http://www.ohiosms.com/oh_dayreg.shtml), complete the form and click the "Submit Registration" button. Access information will be emailed to you. You may also contact D.R. Fannin at the Center for Economic Education, Wright State University at (937) 775-2324 for further information.