

Important Changes for Returning Teachers

Beginning in the fall of 2008, EconomicsWisconsin began offering the Stock Market Game. We are no longer associated with the Wisconsin SMS. Please be sure to review all rules as this is a new program with new rules. Some of the major changes are outlined below. Any rules and/or overview of competition divisions and prize structures previously distributed by Economics Wisconsin are null and void.

Please note the following important changes:

- New web site: www.stockmarketgame.org
- Student and teacher kits will no longer be mailed. Download PDFs from our website, http://economicswisconsin.org/teach/stmkt_sim.htm
- New national and local rules. View rules at www.stockmarketgame.org
- Only teams participating in the 10 Week SMG will be eligible for the NYC trip. View complete list of awards and prizes at http://economicswisconsin.org/teach/stmkt_sim.htm
- Team rankings will be determined by the team's portfolio value. The percent return against the S&P 500 **WILL NOT** play a factor.

A current list of awards and prizes can be viewed at <http://economicswisconsin.org/2009and2010PrizesAwards.pdf>

- Minimum of 100 shares per transaction
- No limit to the number of trades you can make
- Transaction fee is no longer a flat fee. Now charged 2% per transaction
- A team cannot spend more than 25% of the total equity to buy or short sell any one stock
- Bonds may be traded. If a team sells a bond before the game ends, they will receive the next coupon.
- After buying on margin, you may receive a margin call
- You may buy and sell the same stock in the same day
- You may hold both long and short positions in the same stock at the same time.
- Register early! Portfolios begin accruing interest the day team IDs are generated. IDs will be issued no sooner than three weeks before the start of an SMG session. Teams who registered early may receive up to three weeks' worth of interest.

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- Teacher Support Center Lesson includes plans, projects, rubrics, and pre and post tests
- National essay contest and national prizes (trip to Disney World, NYC, laptops, etc)