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Council Delegate Amber Kanazbah Crotty applauds Red Valley-Cove High School students for Stock Market Game national ranking.

COVE, Ariz. - Council Delegate Amber Kanazbah Crotty (Beclabito, Cove, Gadi'i'áhi/To'Koi, Red Valley, Tooh Haltsooi, Toadlena/Two Grey Hills, Tsé ałnáoz't'í) congratulates Red Valley-Cove High School students, who recently earned the 14th ranking in the Stock Market Game, which is a national competition that simulates trading platforms that allow students across the country to practice buying and selling stocks, bonds, and mutual funds to build their financial knowledge.

Red Valley-Cove High School, with fewer than 30 students, stands as a symbol of resilience, ambition, and strength--in the middle of a small rural community thousands of miles from Wall Street. Red Valley-Cove High School serves the Navajo Nation's Cove and Red Valley chapters. The school serves approximately 20 students from grades nine through twelve. The student body is comprised of 100-percentage Navajo students. The school has several English Language Learners (ELL).

"We are proud of our mighty miners. Our Red Valley/Cove High School students and staff exemplify the need to understand and participate in the complex stock market. We are committed to providing our student's unique opportunities to enhance their education portfolios. The Navajo Nation, Master Trust Fund investment, is over \$4 billion, and we need more Diné financial professionals," said Delegate Crotty.

Some unique characteristics set RVCHS apart from other reservation schools, as seen in episode four of season three on The Fixers TV show: <https://www.byutv.org/1e6e086e-c20f-4c3d-9ab4-1cfc1f513ef6/the-fixers-nizhoni-garden-navajo-nation?player-open=true&content-id=1e6e086e-c20f-4c3d-9ab4-1cfc1f513ef6>. This greenhouse and garden project was featured on the BYU-TV network, and the episode began streaming last April. It provides a glimpse into how the school is actively engaged in being proactive and learning about the Stock Markets.

Each team starts with a virtual account of \$100,000 and access to real-time market data. The Stock Market Game teaches students about real-world investing, financial literacy, and becoming familiar with the stock market. Also, students learn different investment strategies and ultimately learn from errors and mistakes.

"The school had participated in the Stock Market Game before the pandemic struck. The students have been engaged in the Capitol Hill Challenge division, where the students compete with other students nationwide to earn a trip to Washington, D.C. for the award ceremony. Red Valley-Cove High School is the smallest public high school in Arizona. We want the students to remain at their local school, and we strongly encourage parents to keep them here to complete their schooling, that is the ultimate goal," stated Wesley Cobb, the Social Studies teacher at Red Valley-Cove High School.

Delegate Crotty looks forward to the results of the National Stock Market Game tournament and to supporting the students of Red Valley Cove High School as they make a positive impact on the Navajo Nation

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