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"When I heard about the Dow Jones I wondered what it was.. When you see it on TV and it shows the little

arrow and I learned this in class, and I say hey mom I learned about this ... At first I didn't get the hang of it. And now I do know about it and like I want to learn more and get into the business of investing more ... I want to take it to another level..."

Allante Levi, Arlington MS, 8th grade

Barbara's favorite thing about *Stocks in the Future* is reading the "Growing Money" book. This is the first time she's learned about investing and shares it with her Spanish speaking grandmother. "I will tell her about the book and translate what it says to her in Spanish. It could be helpful

because maybe she doesn't know everything from this book and she could learn more about running her business."

Barbara Casique, John Ruhrah MS, 6th grade



"We learned you can be a high risk taker, a medium risk taker or take a low risk when it comes to investing. I learned that I'm a low risk taker and probably the best thing for me to do is put my savings in a bank to collect interest. Taking any more of a risk would make me feel nervous."

Deairra Parker, Fallstaff MS, 6th grade

"My dad and I have watched many documentaries and news shows related to stocks ... and we talk a lot about it at home. Investing is all about making wise choices and how to determine the best company to invest in ... *Stocks in the Future* has taught me to think about what I should with my money rather than throwing it away."

Harry Bridges, Washington Jesuit Academy, 6th grade

## STUDENTS SALUTE SIF'S IMPACT



"I thought I was just going to get money for staying in school and getting good

grades. Then after classes began, I learned that it was going to be much more challenging. It's more than just getting money; this class helps you learn about businesses, how businesses can be successful or not. I believe that my knowledge has been strengthened by learning the importance of knowing products and learning why we should read up on businesses. ... my dad feels that this class is just as important as my other classes."

Samuel Moore, Washington Jesuit Academy, 7th grade "My parents are very excited that I'm in Stocks in the Future so I've become even more excited.... It has been a great learning experience. Now that I've been in class for a while I decided to take some of my birthday money and save it for future investing in the stock market ... my teacher talks about his background in business and how it relates to the lessons we're

learning. It's a good way to learn about business." Jinette Minaya,

John Ruhrah MS, 6th grade





Rudy "knew a little bit about investing through my godfather ... It's a topic where we [now] share our opinions about different companies and we have great conversations .... I've been following Netflix and Coca-Cola companies ... My

plan is to go to college and after that get a good job that pays me enough so I can keep investing."

Rudy Brooks, Washington Jesuit Academy, 8th grade

"I usually tell [my parents] what I learn if they know nothing about it ... how to invest money and what you can do and how to take it out and use it .... [in class] we have to save our money and invest it until we are 18 ... Stocks in the Future makes me work harder ... if I wasn't doing what I should have been, it meant I wasn't earning money ... I just want to do better."

Marcus Bailey, Arlington MS, 8th grade

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