## **Embudo Valley Tutoring Association Newsletter**





**Summer Math Camp** 

**JULY 2025** 



During the month of June, students participated in a 3-week Math program at Anansi Charter School. The financial literacy camp was generously sponsored by Nusenda Credit Union and organized by Embudo Valley Tutoring Association. EVTA provided three mentor/tutors to assist with a group of 10 students. The goal of the camp was to expose young students to everyday math through financial literacy activities that included calculations, STEAM projects and culminated in a simulated shopping activity: Maria's Market, courtesy of Guadalupe Credit Union.

During the bulk of the camp, the achievable goals targeted for students were math skills used in daily life. STEAM projects incorporated visuals into the math

that was being learned.

Students exhibited an overall deeper understanding of currencies and their specific applications. An additional activity exploring worth and the transfer between currencies allowed the students to explore the concept of exchange rates. Students further worked to improve

> mastery of standard algorithms used to add and subtract larger numbers. Additional engaging activities included making "invented" currencies and playing the game of life which permits students to experience the consequences of financial decisions in a low stakes entertaining environment.

To participate in the "Maria's Market" activity, students were paired up and received shopping lists for specific theme dinners for which they needed to "purchase" items. After receiving a budget, students spun a wheel to introduce possible "wild card" events such as Grandma texting and saying she also needed dog food or the customer receiving a sudden discount. Students had to use their wits and their

calculation skills to stay within the budget. If they had money left over, they could choose to purchase treats. Younger children completed their shopping experience with an adult mentor to help them keep track of their purchases.



"We got to experience something that adults usually do."

"It was fun to find out that we had extra money and could spend it on some snacks or other things."



## HOW TO CONTACT EMBUDO VALLEY TUTORING ASSOCIATION

## For services:

1. If your child attends Dixon Elementary, Velarde Elementary, or Anansi Charter School, please ask your child's teacher to

contact EVTA by e-mailing info@evtanm.org

- 2. If your child attends Enos Garcia or Penasco community schools, please contact your community school coordinator.
- 3. If your child is homeschooled or attends another school not mentioned above, please fill out the contact form on EVTA's website. Go to embudovalleytutoring.com. Click on "Contact Us" at the top of the Home page to access the form. OR e-mail EVTA directly at info@evtanm.org

## To make a donation:

- 1. Access EVTA's website at embudovalleytutoring.com and click on the "Donate" button on the Home page.
- 2. Send a donation through Paypal at paypal.me/tutoringassociation
- 3. Send a check to Embudo Valley Tutoring Association at P.O. Box 267, Dixon, NM 87527

For further information:

- 1 Website: embudovalleytutoring.com
- 2. Check out our page on greatnonprofits.org by searching for Embudo Valley Tutoring Association.
- 3. Contact Eva Behrens, EVTA's director, eva@evtanm.org



























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