

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. EVTA provided three mentor/tutors to assist with a group of 10 students. Two of these staff were youth tutors exploring an education career pathway. While the financial literacy camp as a whole was sponsored by Nusenda Foundation, the student apprenticeships were generously funded by LOR foundation as part of a year long student and novice tutor apprenticeship grant.

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 creative activities and visuals into the math that was being learned.

Students exhibited an overall deeper understanding of currencies and their specific applications. An another 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



"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.org 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.org
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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