Stock Market

Lesson Plan Notes:
- This lesson is intended as an introductory lesson to the stock market concepts and is to be completed over multiple weeks

Skill:
- Students will understand the fundamental concepts relevant to the development of a market economy

Sunshine State Standard:
- SS.912.E.1.15 - Describe the risk and return profiles of various investment vehicles and the importance of diversification.

Materials needed:
- Electronic newspaper
- Interactive whiteboard (IAWB)

Time Allotment:
- 1st Day – One class period (40-50 minutes)
- 2nd day to end of activity
  - 10 minutes at the beginning of the class period

Activity:
- Before class:
  - Get a list of the companies on the NYSE, without any financial information
  - Group students into pairs
- During class:
  - Show the list of NYSE companies to the students
    - Each group should select two companies to follow over the time period
  - Using the IAWB, Have the student groups design a graph/chart to monitor the progress of the stocks they have chosen
    - Date
    - Closing
    - Change
  - At the beginning of class each day, have the groups check their stock progress and using the IAWB, update their graph/chart
- Extension/Enrichment:
  - Have students decide to either buy or sell stocks during the same time period
    - Keep track of gain/loss during the time period
  - Increase the amount of stocks for each group
    - Allow them to buy or sell depending on stock performance

Assessment:
- The graph/chart is complete with daily information