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### **ASX Schools Sharemarket Game 2012 Winners: Final places shuffled after takeovers and market dips**

The winners have been decided in the latest Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) Sharemarket Game for secondary students, with a syndicate team of two students from Caulfield Grammar in Victoria taking out the top spot.

ASX conducts the Sharemarket Game twice a year to provide students with the chance to get first-hand experience of investing in the sharemarket. Each individual syndicate is given a hypothetical \$50,000 to invest and the winner is the syndicate that grows their investment by the most over the period of the Game.

The winner of Game Two 2012 was a syndicate comprised of year 10 students Elmeera Bezheh and Andrew Robertson from Caulfield Grammar in Victoria, who beat their competition by selecting a wide-ranging portfolio of investments, including 21 companies across a variety of sectors.

According to Elmeera and Andrew, they used recent chart performance on the companies they invested in as their primary indicator and believed that temperament and luck were the most important things they had going for them - enabling them to hold their nerve when they had losses and to sell when they made a profit.

Second placegetter, William Ambrose, a year eight student from Dalby High School in Queensland, took his father's advice and looked for value. William only invested in six companies mainly in the materials sector, showing remarkable discipline in sticking to his strategy.

"As each share reached a high point, I sold them and invested in cash. By the end of the Game, I was 100% in cash and I hoped that a falling market would leave my investment untouched and that the pressure to keep investing would be on the other players," William said.

Only \$19.00 separated William from third placegetter Joshua Lane, a year 10 student from Sydney Boys High School. Joshua did little buying and sold even less. Having played the Game previously he sought to improve on his previous strategy, which he regarded as flawed, because he tended to sell too soon. This time he held stocks for longer with a core holding of four stocks split equally between commodity and resource stocks. "It was the takeover of Graincorp that gave me an edge," Joshua said.

Market conditions were more favourable to participants in Game Two compared to Game One of 2012, with the index rising 4% over the Game period which enabled 63% of students to achieve a profitable portfolio at the Game's conclusion.

Healthcare was the strongest performing sector rising by 9%. However a market dip in the last couple of weeks shook up the rankings. A takeover offer for Graincorp also helped some students to close the gap in the final stage.

ASX CEO Elmer Funke Kupper said: "Whether the market is rising or falling, the ASX Schools Sharemarket Game provides participants with great practical experience of the market and teaches some valuable lessons about risk and reward. This year's national winners did exceptionally well to build profitable portfolios that beat the index performance".

The ASX Schools Sharemarket Game, sponsored by Citi, is conducted twice yearly and is available to students in Australian secondary schools. Game Two for 2012 had 1,087 schools and 34,000 students participate.

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## ASX Schools Sharemarket Game Results 2012

### National Winners Game 1

Syndicate Name	School	Student Names	Portfolio Value	Ranking	State
Jax	Mazenod College	Jaxon Morton	\$54,899	1	WA
Lees Lucky Lotto	Mazenod College	Tom Lees	\$54,352	2	WA
Time is Money	Glenora District High School	Tyson Dunning	\$54,259	3	TAS

### National Winners Game 2

Syndicate Name	School	Student Names	Portfolio Value	Ranking	State
SM Bezheh	Caulfield Grammar School - WH	Elmeera Bezheh and Andrew Robertson	\$61,131	1	VIC
Eastwoods101	Dalby State High School	William Ambrose	\$60,315	2	QLD
Iceman Cometh	Sydney Boys High School	Joshua Lane	\$60,296	3	NSW

### State Winners Game 1

#### South Australia / Northern Territory

Syndicate Name	School	Student Names	Portfolio Value	Ranking
Simpson's Stocks	Harvest Christian School	Madeline Simpson	\$52,852	1
Hanssen and Hamidi	St Dominic's Priory College	Azita Hanssen and Hamideh Hamidi	\$52,731	2
Vaughn	St Philip's College	Raymond Vaughn Macqueen	\$52,656	3

**New South Wales / Australian Capital Territory**

Syndicate Name	School	Student Names	Portfolio Value	Ranking
Chocolate Coin	Cherrybrook Technology High School	Cassandra Haywood and Charmaine Lai	\$53,910	1
Lettuce Prey	Sydney Boys High School	Aaron Hassan	\$53,856	2
SSSINDEVER	Maitland Grossmann High	Justin Threadgate and Lachlan McKellar	\$53,738	3

**Western Australia**

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Jax	Mazenod College	Jaxon Morton	\$54,899	1
Lees Lucky Lotto	Mazenod College	Tom Lees	\$54,352	2
mulletwearingw	Mazenod College	Ethan Fagnani	\$53,829	3

**Victoria**

Syndicate Name	School	Student Names	Portfolio Value	Ranking
Ryan, Aiden	Bendigo Technical Education College	Aiden Ryan	\$54,157	1
GK	Strathmore Secondary College	Gizem Saatci and Kathryn Gray	\$53,845	2
Bell Rock Lighthouse	Marist-Sion Warragul	Jacob Bell	\$53,655	3

**Tasmania**

Syndicate Name	School	Student Names	Portfolio Value	Ranking
Time is Money	Glenora District High School	Tyson Dunning	\$54,259	1
Kenny Powers	Claremont College	Andrew Henderson and Josh Hill	\$53,145	2
The Duds	Reece High School	Bradley Chard and Jayden Wicks and Max Rockliff	\$53,026	3

**Queensland**

Syndicate Name	School	Student Names	Portfolio Value	Ranking
FIRST TO LAST	Caloundra State High School	Jake Phillis, Kiera Morris and Maddy Hadland	\$ 54,151	1
Nicholas Wyvill	Xavier Catholic College	Nicholas Wyvill	\$54,077	2
LJ18	Good Shepherd Lutheran College	Leila Jobson	\$53,211	3

**State Winners Game 2****South Australia / Northern Territory**

Syndicate Name	School	Student Names	Portfolio Value	Ranking
Power\$	Riverton Primary School	Jasmine Greenslade and Sophie Griffiths	\$56,100	1
WOW Krew	St Patrick's Technical	Bradley Steeds, Daniel	\$55,954	2

	College	Hatcliffe and Keigan Wallace		
Mauler	Investigator College	Jayden Maul	\$55,811	3

#### New South Wales / Australian Capital Territory

Syndicate Name	School	Student Names	Portfolio Value	Ranking
Iceman Cometh	Sydney Boys High School	Joshua Lane	\$60,296	1
Explicitly	Kempsey High School	Sam Harwood	\$59,486	2
Grand Exchange	North Sydney Boys High School	James Ren, Raymond Chen and Victor Han Yu Zhang	\$58,926	3

#### Western Australia

Syndicate Name	School	Student Names	Portfolio Value	Ranking
Wubin Transport	Mazenod College	Blair Southcott	\$58,852	1
RDA WINS	Mazenod College	Riley D'Agui	\$57,843	2
Clueless	Mazenod College	Jason Nalepa	\$57,521	3

#### Victoria

Syndicate Name	School	Student Names	Portfolio Value	Ranking
SM Bezheh	Caulfield Grammar School - WH	Elmeera Bezheh and Andrew Robertson	\$61,131	1
Mishie	Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College	Michelle Chen	\$58,616	2
TE	Melbourne Grammar School	Thomas Ebsworth	\$57,737	3

#### Tasmania

Syndicate Name	School	Student Names	Portfolio Value	Ranking
Strawberry Cow	The Friends' School	Brooke Cotton	\$57,726	1
Kehnan	Lilydale District School	Kehnan Wilde	\$57,201	2
deLittle	The Friends' School	Timothy de Little	\$56,989	3

#### Queensland

Syndicate Name	School	Student Names	Portfolio Value	Ranking
Eastwoods101	Dalby State High School	William Ambrose	\$60,315	1
Hll	Marymount College	Jack Hopkins	\$58,172	2
Smokin Monkeys	St Peter's Lutheran College	Adam Grant, Daniel Chen, Isabella Baillie and Robert Appleton	\$58,111	3