## Ridge Fed Challenge Club 2021.2022

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## What is the High School Fed Challenge?

The High School Fed Challenge is an academic paper competition where teams of students act as future economists by researching and analyzing an important economic theme. It offers the opportunity for students to develop skills in teamwork, research, data literacy, and analytical writing. Student teams author economics research papers and pursue recognition in the Federal Reserve Bank of New York's *Journal of Future Economists*.

## Goals

This educational program aims to encourage students in grades 9 - 12 to learn more about economics and promote interest in economics as a subject for study and the basis for a career. Previous study of economics is not required – only intellectual curiosity and interest in exploring an economic theme.

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York designates the annual competition theme. Entering teams may select any topic that explicitly relates to this theme for an academic research paper, which will be submitted for evaluation to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Top team papers will be selected by Bank judges to be published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in the *Journal of Future Economists*. In addition to gaining broader exposure to the field of economics, all entering teams will receive a certificate of achievement and recognition in the *Journal of Future Economists*.

## **Ridge Fed Challenge**

All students are welcome to join Ridge Fed Challenge Club, but the number of students who author the paper is limited to eight students.

In the fall, the Ridge Fed Challenge Club meets at least once a week. In the winter/spring, the competition group meets with greater frequency.