# **Pranet Swain**



## **SUMMARY**

A high school student with an interest in economics, math, the financial markets, and playing the violin. Passionate about financial literacy.

## **EXPERIENCE**

(Excluded middle school-only experiences)

## Junior Economic Club, Chicago — Head of Two Strategic Initiatives

July 2020 - PRESENT (1 hr/wk during summer, 5 hrs/wk during school year)

The Junior Economic Club (JEC) is a student-run 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that brings together over 150 of Chicago's most ambitious students from 35 public and private high schools to both attend panels with business leaders and engage in the community.

#### **Key Contributions:**

- Built a program from the ground up where we taught underserved students from ten CPS middle schools smart investing skills.
- Editor-in-Chief of the JEC Chicago's flagship publication, the Chicago Junior Economist
- Participate in JEC-led projects to educate local students on financial literacy

## IMSA Investing Club — Head of Investment Fund Division

September 2021 - PRESENT (2 hrs/wk, during school year only)

The IMSA investments club works to encourage and educate students at the Illinois Math and Science Academy about the skills required for future careers in investing & finance through various investing competitions & interactive, investing-centered activities.

#### **Key Contributions:**

• Working on starting a student-managed investment fund as part of the club that invests in the stock market and

#### Metea Valley High School Investing Club — Founder and Board Member

January 2021 - PRESENT (2 hrs/wk during time as Metea Valley student, 30 min/wk now)

The 70+ members of the economics & investments team at Metea Valley High School have weekly discussions on economics while working together to compete in economics, finance, & investment competitions.

#### **Key Contributions:**

- Won one of the competitions that the club enrolled in
- Still serve as club board member upon exiting the school in which I started the club
- Helped coach teams that have won various state/regional investing and entrepreneurship competitions

## **The Pranet Exchange** – Blogger

July 2020 - PRESENT (1 hr/wk, year-round)

The Pranet Exchange Blog is a blog I started that discusses my opinions on the global economy, equity markets, and new technologies/startups.

# Naperville Youth Symphony Orchestra — Assistant Concertmaster (4th Chair of 1st Violin Section)

August 2018 - PRESENT (2.5 hrs/wk, during school year only)

The Naperville Youth Symphony Orchestra (NYSO) is a youth orchestra that brings together over 100 of Naperville's best high school musicians to perform concerts at distinguished venues such as the Wentz Concert Hall and Chicago Symphony Center.

#### **Key Contributions:**

• Used to organize sectionals for violin section of orchestra prior to rehearsals

## Feed My Starving Children - Volunteer

June 2018 - PRESENT (2 hrs/month, summer only)

Feed My Starving Children is a non-profit organization that organizes the preparation, shipping, and distribution of food to people in developing nations.

# **EDUCATION**

## **Illinois Math and Science Academy, Aurora** — 10-12th Grade

August 2021-Present

## Metea Valley High School, Aurora - 9th Grade

August 2020 - June 2021

#### Still Middle School, Aurora - 6-8th Grade

August 2017 - May 2020

## **NOTABLE AWARDS**

(Did not include regional/local awards)

## National InvestWrite Essay Competition Winner

9th Grade

#### NATIONAL

I won the 5th place prize among 10,000+ high school students from across the United States that participated in an individual essay competition in which we had to write essays giving detailed pitches for a complex investment strategy of our own creation.

# Conrad Spirit of Innovation Challenge Semifinalist

8th Grade

International

My team made it to the semifinals round for an international entrepreneurship competition upon creating a prototype for a spacecraft communications system that can work during atmospheric reentry.

## Illinois Math League Winner

9th Grade

State

I achieved a perfect score in four of the five math competition meets among high school students from across the state of Illinois.

#### Illinois Stock Market Game Winner

8th Grade

State

My team won the first place prize among teams of middle school students from across the state of Illinois that participated in a four-month-long stock market simulation game.