



JA in a Day - Elementary Programs

What is a JA Day?

The JA Day program places volunteers in the classroom to teach a JA elementary school curriculum in an exciting, half-day event. When companies involve groups of employee volunteers, all going to the same elementary school on the same day, they bring their experiences to hundreds of students in one location in an event-style atmosphere. The JA Day provides a great team-building experience for companies and a chance for their employees to give back to the community. During the classroom sessions, employees share information about themselves and their jobs, while helping students understand the basic concepts of financial education, entrepreneurship and work readiness and showing students how their education is relevant to their future success in the workplace.

What are volunteer responsibilities?

Volunteers prepare to teach five activities prior to the scheduled JA Day and commit to present those activities on the scheduled day. This commitment is reduced for those who partner up to teach with a colleague.

How do volunteers learn to present JA curriculum and activities?

Volunteers attend a 90-minute orientation session, where they receive and review all curriculum materials and activities. Volunteer orientation sessions are presented by a JA program manager and are conducted on-site at your place of work.

What are the benefits of a JA Day?

- Shorter time commitment for employees
- Employee volunteers are able to work in pairs
- Students have fun while learning valuable economic and business concepts
- The activities are hands-on and exciting
- Employees share their experiences to enhance learning and serve as positive role models
- Employees facilitate the 5 JA lessons in teams, with the teachers' assistance as needed
- JA curriculum has real value to students and educators and correlates to various Math, Language Arts and Social Studies academic content standards



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