

Join Junior Achievement's global network of more than 202,000 volunteers and help students in your community connect the dots between what they learn in school and the "business of life"—work readiness, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy.

JA's Turnkey Volunteer Solution:

One-on-One Assistance

During the simulation, volunteers guide and assist students as they balance their budgets.

Comprehensive Training

Before you begin the *JA Finance Park* program, JA staff will provide training and share the goals of the *JA Finance Park* simulation. You will become familiar with the daily schedule, the work expected of the students, and your roles and responsibilities. You also will be instructed on how to use the Volunteer guide and Volunteer Checklist to help facilitate the experience.

Minimal Time Commitment

The time commitment is minimal compared to the significant impact you make. The approximately six-hour day, composed of volunteer training and the 4½-hour simulation, will pass quickly and leave you astonished by how much the students accomplish in such a short period of time.

JA Staff Follow-Up and Support

Volunteers are key to the success of this program. From the beginning of the volunteer training until the end of the simulation, JA staff will be available to answer all your questions.

JA Finance Park®

Imagine you're a 27-year-old single parent earning \$25,000 a year as an office assistant, or perhaps you're a 35-year-old regional manager making \$65,000 annually. How will you manage your money? At *JA Finance Park*, students act as adults for a day and make personal financial decisions in a realistic facility, mobile unit, or virtual community setting. Whatever role they are assigned, students develop lifelong financial skills through the program's in-class and simulated experiences.











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JA Finance Park Teacher Guide

Provides lesson plans and teaching tips.



JA Finance Park Student Workbook

An in-class and take-home reference tool for students to complete during each session.

PowerPoint Slide Deck

An optional visual aid for teachers to use with classroom activities.

Savings Option Posters

Help students compare plans for saving and investing.



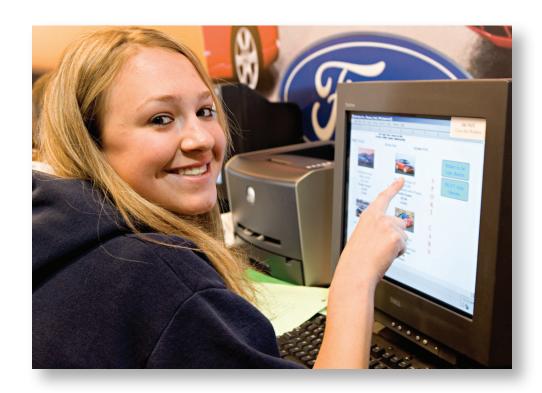
Savvy Shopper Game

Students decide whether to purchase items with a credit or debit card.

JA Finance Park Simulation (site-based/mobile version)

Teens don't often think about paying a water bill, buying health insurance, or saving for retirement, but at *JA Finance Park* they do. The daylong visit to this simulated, fully interactive business park brings their in-class learning to life.

Students receive family scenarios, complete with job title, marital and family status, income, existing savings, and existing debt. Then they visit park businesses to explore their options and better understand the items based on their assigned family needs and then go shopping. They must purchase items to meet the needs of their family, such as insurance, clothing, transportation, housing, groceries, and childcare—without spending more than they earn.



JA Finance Park Virtual

During this hands-on, computer-based simulation, students are asked to manage a fictitious life situation. The details of their assigned life scenario include marital status, number of children, education background, employment, and income.

Given their career and family situation, students use banking services; pay for housing, transportation, utilities, groceries, and health care; contribute to charities; and budget for education expenses. They work to create and balance a personal family budget.

