

## INFLUENCE THE FUTURE WORKFORCE- VOLUNTEER FOR JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT!

Work readiness is a key focus area of Junior Achievement's programs. By bringing volunteer role models from the community into the classroom to share their career experience with students, JA introduces many young people to careers and professions they might not be aware of. JA programs promote 21<sup>st</sup> century skills of creativity, collaboration, communication and critical thinking and how they are relevant in the workplace.

### JA Works:

- 55% of JA Alumni (past students) said JA gave them a better idea of how business works
- 30% Alumni say JA gave them an idea of what they'd like to do for a career
- 1 in 5 JA Alumni have said they worked in a field same as their JA volunteer
- 88% JA Alumni say they have career satisfaction

**What is the Time Commitment?** Schedules are flexible and determined between you and the teacher you are paired with! Most prefer once a week. Programs involved 3-7 lessons, each about 40 minutes. A 1 hour training is also provided.

**What does a JA classroom volunteer present?** JA provides scripted lesson plans and accompanying materials. Volunteers are also encouraged to share their "real word" experiences with students. Each program differs in content and is age-appropriate. To learn more about all JA programs, visit: <https://www.juniorachievement.org/web/115313/26>

**Current Volunteer Opportunities:** JA receives requests from teachers to have a JA program throughout the school year. Our list of open classes is always changing! For a list of current classes that need volunteers, please go to: <https://www.juniorachievement.org/web/ja-wny/volunteer-opportunities>

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