

Volunteer with JA. Spend a school day mentoring & inspiring youth.

“Finance Park taught me how I have control over my future and finances. I can achieve anything I want if I continue to believe in myself and my dreams.” – Marcus, Finance Park Student



JA Finance Park® is a hands-on educational program that helps students in grades 7-12 meet state standards and graduation requirements, provided at no-cost to NJ schools. After receiving classroom lessons taught by their teachers, students attend a field trip to the *Capital One/JA Finance Park simulated city* where they role-play as adults supporting a fictional household, making financial decisions with the help of volunteers.

Volunteer Role: Volunteers serve as mentors, guiding students through the day and facilitating conversations about real life decision making. This one-day, high impact experience includes volunteer training prior to student arrival, and lunch. No advanced prep work is required!

Time Commitment: 6hrs (includes training)

Objective: Work with a group of 6-10 students, coaching them through the budgeting activity, sharing stories of education and work experience while encouraging wise consumer choices.

What to expect as a volunteer mentor...

- Upon arrival, students receive a Samsung tablet for use during the trip, where they learn about their fictional adult persona. Volunteers receive a binder with guided discussion questions.
- Led by volunteers, students explore real-world expenses such as housing, transportation, utilities, groceries and child care.
- Based on their net monthly income, students create a budget and make spending decisions.
- Students then revisit each storefront to pay their bills with their given debit card.
- The day concludes with a group debrief where students share their “light bulb moments” and key take-a-ways.

JA Finance Park Daily Schedule:

8:00 AM	Volunteer Arrival
8:15 AM	Volunteer Training
9:30 AM	Student Arrival/Morning Announcements
11:30 AM	Lunch
1:45 PM	Student Debriefing/Closing Announcements

Location: 360 Pear Blossom Drive
Edison, NJ 08807

Volunteer dates for groups or individuals...

March: 11, 30

May: 5, 11, 12, 19, 21, 26, 28

June: 1, 9, 11

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