

JA FINANCE PARK® MONTGOMERY COUNTY

PARENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



This year, empower your child — one of the region's future leaders, movers, and shakers — to answer the demands of a complex economy with **"I can."**



Join them at JA Finance Park, where they will step into the future and get a look at what's possible if they work hard and dream big.

WHAT IS JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT?

Junior Achievement is an international nonprofit that teaches students how to manage their money, run their own businesses, and prepares them for the work force.

Since 2011 MCPS has partnered with Junior Achievement to provide financial literacy education to their students. During the 2018-2019 school year the partnership will reach new heights with a state of the art JA Finance Park facility on top of the new Thomas Edison Technology High School. Every 7th grader will participate in this exciting new program!

WHAT IS JA FINANCE PARK?

Following 14-hours of in-classroom instruction by your child's teacher, your student will leave behind his or her life as a student and become an adult with a career, family, salary, credit score, and financial obligations in the **fully digital, innovative, hands-on environment of JA Finance Park.**

At JA Finance Park, students use tablet computers to **make decisions** that are designed to **prepare them for the future.** They consider budget items such as buying a home, purchasing and maintaining a vehicle, budgeting for student loans and health care expenses, and choosing child care.

WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE A JA FINANCE PARK VOLUNTEER?

JA Finance Park is seeking 20 volunteers per day who can commit to a total of 5 hours. Volunteers are trained an hour in advance of student arrival. For the specific date and time of your schools trip to JA Finance Park contact your students' Social Studies teacher.

As a volunteer you will guide the students through the day that simulates real world budgeting decisions, spending and bill paying. Good news! You don't need to have a background in finance to be a great volunteer for the day. You bring the program to life by sharing your own life experiences with the students.

SOUNDS AWESOME, RIGHT?

HERE'S HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

- Visit **www.myJA.org/programs/financepark** to learn more about the program.
- Contact your student's Social Studies teacher to sign up to volunteer.

JA Finance Park Montgomery County is located on the third floor of the new Thomas Edison High School of Technology building at 12501 Dalewood Drive, Silver Spring, Maryland, 20906.