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Featured Articles

President's Note: What do "36,363" and "wow" have in common?

Save the Date - don't miss out!

User-friendly financial literacy with local support? We got it!

Thank you to **our strong supporters!**



36,363. Wow.

Not only are both palindromes but they also describe **JA of North Central Ohio's 2022-23 student impact.**

A Year to Remember

The past year has been nothing short of remarkable. This is truly a reflection of the unwavering support and dedication of you, our partners and communities. Your gifts of resources, time and talent have been the driving force behind our successes, and we couldn't have done it without you.

Together, we have achieved milestones, tackled challenges, and celebrated achievements that have set the foundation for years to come. Since our local area's inception in 1953, over 1.1 million students have been introduced to foundational principles through our programs. **During 2022-23 alone, we:**

- Served **36,363 students**;
- Presented programming in **122 schools across 14 counties** ;
- Hosted **3 live, in-person JA Inspire to Hire events** for local high schoolers;
- Helped **135 students build their own businesses**, 8 of whom went on as **finalists** to JA USA's National Competition;
- Were a **nationally recognized** pioneer in the financial literacy space; and
- Cross-trained our staff as movers when we **packed our entire office** into a U-Haul truck, prior to renovations to our Canton space.

And we're not done.

As we stand on the threshold of a new school year, we are excited to share a glimpse of what lies ahead. Get ready for a year filled with innovation,

collaboration, and transformation. Our team has been hard at work, curating student experiences that bring to life vital financial literacy, career exploration and entrepreneurship concepts. We are committed to exceeding expectations as we show young people their boundless possibilities.

Will you join us?

The journey of inspiring tomorrows is a collective one, and we invite you to continue walking alongside us. The best is yet to come, and we're thrilled to have you by our side as we pave the way for an extraordinary future.

3 JA INSPIRE TO
HIRE EVENTS
1,261
STUDENT ATTENDEES



10
JA FINANCIAL
LITERACY
PILOT SCHOOLS



17 JA COMPANY
PROGRAM TEAMS
2 NATIONAL
FINALISTS



Dive into JA's year with our [2022-23 Impact Summary!](#)

Interested in getting involved? Learn more about local events and programming by reading below!

Save the Date

The dust is starting to settle - our building renovation is almost DONE!

We have been anxiously awaiting the completion of our office makeover and we cannot wait to share it with you.

Please stop by on **Nov. 9, 2023 from 3:00-6:00 PM** to tour our new office and community spaces!



Don't forget to mark your calendars for more upcoming events!

Prepare to be (JA) Inspire-d!



Golf for a Cause with JA



Feb. 15, 2024
Wayne County Fair Event Center
(Wooster)

Feb. 22, 2024
Richland County Fairgrounds
(Mansfield)

Mar. 7, 2024
Hall of Fame Village (Canton)

May 14, 2024
Ashland County Fairgrounds
(Ashland)

May 20, 2024
Shady Lawn Country Club (Massillon)

Jun. 24, 2024
Silver Lake Country Club (Akron)

Jul. 22, 2024
Deer Ridge Country Club (Bellville)



Bowl-A-Thon

Inspired by the work we do but not sure how to get involved? **Try a Bowl-A-Thon!** This business-friendly option is fun, flexible and a great team-building event!

Contact **Tyler Adams** to learn more!

1,500 & Counting!

It's a New Year

Last year, 1,500 high school students took their first steps toward financial freedom - and completed their graduation requirement per Ohio's new legislation - with **JA Financial Literacy for Ohio** - and we're raising the bar this year!

Presented by **Peoples Bank**, JA Financial Literacy has been updated with **new resources and features**. The program:

- Has easy-to-access curriculum with relevant themes, such as FAFSA and cryptocurrency;
- Includes built-in local platform and content support; and
- Is free for school partners!

Want to learn more? Email **Denice Schafer** to schedule a program walk-through!

Thank You!

Thank you to our 2023-24 supporters* for investing in our next generation of leaders, entrepreneurs and innovators!

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