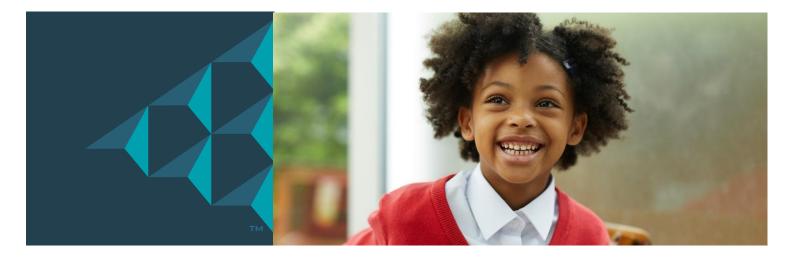


# A Correlation: MONTANA Academic Standards and Junior Achievement Middle School Programs



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#### Overview

Junior Achievement programs offer a multidisciplinary approach that connects learning across social studies disciplines, such as economics, geography, history, government, and civics, while incorporating mathematical concepts and reasoning and language arts skills. This list is not meant to be exhaustive or intended to suggest that a JA program will completely address any given standard but is designed to show how it can enhance or complement efforts to do so. The flexibility of the programs and supplementary materials allow specific content or skills to be addressed in depth by the teacher and/or business volunteer as needed.

In this document, Junior Achievement programs are correlated to the Montana Social Studies Standards, as well as the Common Core State Standards in English/ Language Arts and Mathematics. Alternate delivery methods, such as student self-guided, cover the same learning objectives for social studies standards and the JA Pathway Competencies. However, the varied implementation models may cause slight variation in English Language Arts and Mathematics correlations.

#### JA Middle Grades Programs

<u>JA Economics for Success</u><sup>®</sup> provides practical information about personal finance and the importance of identifying education and career goals based on a student's skills, interests, and values.

<u>JA Economics for Success® Blended Model</u> introduces middle school students to initial work and career readiness and personal finance concepts through flexible facilitation materials and engaging interactive activities, games, and role plays that support learning objectives.

<u>JA Global Marketplace</u><sup>®</sup> Blended Model introduces students to the global marketplace and the ways in which countries buy and sell from each other. Through completion of this program, students will gain an understanding of the role of producers and consumers in the interconnected global market.

<u>JA It's My Business</u><sup>®</sup> Blended Model provides middle school students an opportunity to experience the initial steps necessary to start a business. New program content provides an authentic entrepreneurial experience for students, with each session building up to a product-pitch competition

<u>JA It's My Future</u><sup>®</sup> Blended Model offers middle school students' practical information to help prepare them for the working world. Students develop the personal-branding and job-hunting skills needed to earn a job.

<u>JA Inspire</u><sup>™</sup> is more than a career fair, it brings together the business community and local schools and is designed to help launch middle school students into their futures: high school, college, and careers beyond. (Grades 6-8)

<u>JA Inspire Virtual</u><sup>™</sup> is more than a career fair, it brings together the business community and local schools and is designed to help launch students into their futures: high school, college, and careers beyond. Within the virtual experience, students attend webinars and presentations, explore career booths, and interact with career speakers. (Grades 9-12)

JA Career Exploration Fair<sup>™</sup> is an event where students learn about a range of career options across multiple career clusters. (Grades K-12

JA Career Speakers Series<sup>™</sup> In JA Career Speakers Series, a volunteer guest speaker visits the classroom and shares information about his or her career, work, and education experience. (Grades K-12)

<u>JA Excellence through Ethics</u><sup>™</sup> Through JA Excellence through Ethics, students will learn the importance of ethics and ethical decision-making and how ethical and unethical choices affect everyone in a community. (Grades 6-12)

<u>JA It's My Job</u><sup>™</sup> (Soft Skills) will help students understand the value of professional communication and soft skills, making them more employable to future employers across multiple career clusters. (Grades 6-12)



#### JA Economics for Success

Session Descriptions	Academic Standards	Other Standards	Common Core ELA	Common Core Math
<ul> <li>Session One: Mirror, Mirror</li> <li>Students make choices to better understand the concept of self- knowledge as they consider education, careers, and other life choices.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Use personal reflection to explain self-knowledge</li> <li>Apply their skills, interests, and values to help determine a potential career path</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			Grade 6 RI.6.2,4,7 SL.6.1-2 L.6.1,3,4 Grade 7 RI.7.2,4 SL.7.1,2 L.7.1,3,4 Grade 8 RI.8.2,4 SL.8.1 L.8.1,3,4	
<ul> <li>Session Two: Be a Success</li> <li>Students learn how to set goals for their financial future. They play the "Be A Success Game" to see the connection between personal finance, education, and careers.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Identify the connection between goal setting, personal finance, education, and career choices</li> <li>Apply decision making to education and career choices</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			Grade 6 RI.6.4 SL.6.1,2 L.6.1,3,4 Grade 7 RI.7.4 SL.7.1,2 L.7.1,3,4 Grade 8 RI.8.4 SL.8.1 L.8.1,3,4	<b>Grade 6</b> 6.NS3 6.NS.C.5
<ul> <li>Session Three: Keeping Your Balance</li> <li>Students receive Occupation Cards and observe how different jobs provide different monthly salaries. Based on those monthly salaries, students evaluate the opportunity cost when making budget decisions.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Recognize that a balanced budget is important for all workers</li> <li>Define the term income and differentiate between gross and net income</li> <li>Name ways to balance a budget</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			Grade 6 RI.6.4,7 SL.6.1 L.6.1,3,4 Grade 7 RI.7.4 SL.7.1 L.7.1,3,4 Grade 8 RI.8.4 SL.8.1 L.8.1,3,4	Grade 6 6.NS.B.3 6.NS.C.5 Grade 7 7.RP.A.3



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Session Four: Savvy Shopper Students examine how consumers pay for goods and services. They discuss the advantages and disadvantages of using debit and credit cards. Objectives: Students will: • Identify the differences between debit and credit cards • Explain the advantages and disadvantages of both cards • Recognize the importance of taking personal responsibility for financial decisions			Grade 6 RI.6.4,7 SL.6.1 L.6.1,3,4 Grade 7 RI.7.4 SL.7.1 L.7.1,3,4 Grade 8 RI.8.4 SL.8.1 L.8.1,3,4	<b>Grade 6</b> 6.NS.B.3 6.NS.C.5 <b>Grade 7</b> 7.RP.A.3
<ul> <li>Session Five: Keeping Score</li> <li>Students examine how a credit score is determined and learn about the consequences of a positive and negative credit report.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Describe the favorable or unfavorable consequences of a high or low personal credit score</li> <li>Explain actions that cause a credit score to go up or down</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			Grade 6 R1.6.4,7 SL.6.1 L.6.1,3,4 Grade 7 R1.7.4 SL.7.1 L.7.1,3,4 Grade 8 R1.8.4 SL.8.1 L.8.1,3,4	<b>Grade 6</b> 6.NS.B.3 6.NS.C.5
<ul> <li>Session Six: What's the Risk?</li> <li>Students learn that life involves risk and that insurance and personal responsibility help to reduce the financial consequences of loss or injury.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Explore the cost and consequence of risk</li> <li>Explain how insurance provides a method to minimize financial risk</li> <li>Identify the opportunity cost of having insurance</li> <li>Assess how personal responsibility plays a part in minimizing risk</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			Grade 6 SL.6.1 L.6.1,3,4 Grade 7 SL.7.1 L.7.1,3,4 Grade 8 SL.8.1 L.8.1,3,4	



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My Career Exploration Students explore the 16 career clusters and identify the clusters they find interesting. They learn that early career planning results in more choices and opportunities for success in a career that matches their interests, skills, and values.			RI.1, RI.2, RI.4 W.4, W.7, W.8 SL.1, SL.2, SL.4 L1, L2, L3, L4, L6
<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Recognize the career clusters and their related careers.</li> <li>Apply values, skills, and interests to the career clusters.</li> </ul>			
Getting to Know Me Students better understand their own values, skills, and interests, as well as the importance of applying self-knowledge to future choices. Students use their self- knowledge to develop a word-based personal brand.			RI.2, RI.4 W.4, W.5 SL.1, SL.6 L1, L2, L3, L4, L6
<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Apply self-knowledge to identify personal values, skills, and interests; set priorities; and make decisions.</li> <li>Discuss the importance of a personal brand statement.</li> <li>Recognize that self-knowledge is needed to work effectively with others.</li> </ul>			
My Career Goals Students recognize that the choices they make will affect their education, career, and financial security. Students learn the value of self-efficacy in achieving their goals.			RI.1, RI.2, RI.4 W.4 SL.1, SL.2 L1, L2, L3, L4, L6
<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Recognize the connections between your choices and your education, personal finances, and career paths.</li> <li>Create short- and long-term goals.</li> <li>Identify character traits that can help you overcome obstacles.</li> </ul>			



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<ul> <li>My Transferable Skills</li> <li>Students recognize that skills they learn now will be useful in both their personal life and their future career. They learn about the digital skills needed to work remotely.</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Recognize appropriate skills for the workplace.</li> <li>Identify transferable skills and their importance.</li> <li>Recognize the importance of having digital skills and using professional digital tools and programs.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			RI.1, RI.2, RI.4 W.4, W.6 SL.1, SL.2, SL.4 L1, L2, L3, L4, L6
<ul> <li>My Income and Expenses</li> <li>Students explore the importance of earning enough income to pay for expenses, including savings and common deductions.</li> <li>Students learn how to read a paycheck stub and explore the Pay Yourself First strategy. They also practice solving income and expenses-related problems with positive solutions.</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Recognize that workers should not expect to keep all the money they earn.</li> <li>Recognize problem solving as a challenge and not an obstacle.</li> <li>Explore career-based solutions for income planning.</li> <li>Reflect on the personal impact of saving money.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			RI.1,RI.2,RI.4,RI.7 W.4, W.6 SL.1, SL.3, L1, L2, L3, L4, L6 Math Practices 1-7



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Planning for My Future Income Students explore the role work plays in living independently. They gain financial knowledge about the costs of living on their own. They consider the role of career choices and the costs of goods and services. Students will:			RI.4,RI.7 W.4, W.7, W.8 SL.1, SL.2, SL.4 L1, L2, L3, L4, L6
<ul> <li>Express the financial considerations of possibly living independently and the importance of choosing work that can earn enough to pay for expenses. (WCR)</li> <li>Examine the true costs of goods and services. (FL)</li> </ul>			
Managing My Money Students recognize the importance of managing money. They learn how to keep a budget and make decisions about spending.			RI.1,RI.2,RI.4,RI.7 SL.1, SL.2, SL.4 L1, L3, L4, L6
<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Define a budget and its importance.</li> <li>Express the need to say "no" to some short-term spending to save for more important items in the future and to plan for emergencies.</li> <li>Practice budgeting skills using income that can be earned while still in school.</li> </ul>			Math Practices
<b>Paying for My Wants and Needs</b> Students learn to make better choices related to credit. They learn about different ways of paying for goods and services, and the advantages and drawbacks of each.			RI.1,RI.2,RI.4,RI.7 SL.1, SL.2, SL.4 L1, L3, L4, L6
<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Describe ways to pay for everyday goods and services.</li> <li>Identify the differences between debit (paying now) and credit (paying in the future, plus interest).</li> </ul>			Math Practices



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<ul> <li>My Credit and Spending</li> <li>Students prepare to use credit. They learn about healthy spending habits and the importance of building a good credit score.</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Explain who looks at your credit report and why.</li> <li>Describe how financial decisions can improve a credit report.</li> <li>Identify spending habits that are financially responsible.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			RI.1,RI.2,RI.4,RI.7 W.4, W.6 SL.1, SL.2,SL.4 L1, L2, L3, L4, L6 Math Practices 1-7
<ul> <li>My Ride on the Financial Roller Coaster Students understand risk and methods for handling it. They make decisions about scenarios involving risk.</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Describe examples of how to use personal responsibility to address risk.</li> <li>Recognize that insurance is a way to transfer the risk of loss.</li> <li>Identify the opportunity cost in different spending decisions.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			RI.1,RI.2,RI.4,RI.7 W.4, W.6 SL.1, SL.2, SL.4 L1, L2, L3, L4, L6



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<ul> <li>Session One: We're All Connected Students explore how it is possible that inventions and products traded between countries can change the world.</li> <li>Objectives: The students will: <ul> <li>Define international trade.</li> <li>Analyze how technology changes society by creating new jobs and making some jobs obsolete.</li> <li>Evaluate how technology innovation creates a global community.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Social Studies</li> <li>4.5 Identify major scientific discoveries and technological innovations and describe their social and economic effects on society.</li> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>5.1 Use technology for learning, communications, and productivity.</li> <li>5.2 Use technology to observe, analyze, interpret, and draw conclusions.</li> </ul>	Grade 6 RI.6.1-2 RI.6.4,7 SL.6.1-2 SL.6.4 L.6.2-6 Grade 7 RI.7.1-2 RI.7.4,8 SL.7.1-4 L.7.1 L.7.3-4 L.7.6 Grade 8 RI.8.1-2 RI.8.4 SL.8.1-4 L.8.1 L.8.3-4	NA
<ul> <li>Session Two: Know Your Neighbors</li> <li>Students analyze cultural differences that can make an impact on international business. They learn through characters at the FreeTrade Market the importance of being culturally aware.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>The students will: <ul> <li>Demonstrate knowledge of cultural business practices around the world.</li> <li>Articulate the importance of cultural awareness and sensitivity in international business.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Social Studies</li> <li>5.4 Analyze how various personal and cultural points of view influence economic decisions.</li> <li>6.3 Identify and differentiate ways regional, ethnic and national cultures influence individual's daily lives and personal choices.</li> </ul>	Grade 6 RI.6.4,7 W.6.2,7 SL.6.1-2 SL.6.4 L.6.1-6 Grade 7 RI.7.4 W.7.2 W.7.6-7 SL.7.1-2 SL.7.4 L.7.1-6 Grade 8 W.8.2 W.8.7,9 SL.8.1-2 SL.8.4 L.8.1-5	NA



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<ul> <li>Session Three: Want to Trade?</li> <li>Students examine how trade works, why countries trade with other countries, and evaluate whether a single country could be completely self-sufficient.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>The students will: <ul> <li>Define interdependence and describe examples of multinational trade and its effect on a single product.</li> <li>Evaluate the pros and cons of trading with other countries.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Social Studies 3.1 Analyze and use various representations of the Earth (e.g., physical, topographical, political maps; globes; geographic information systems; aerial photographs; satellite images) to gather and compare information about a place. 3.4 Explain how movement patterns throughout the world (e.g., people, ideas, diseases, products, food) lead to interdependence and/or conflict. 5.1 Identify and explain basic economic concepts (e.g., supply, demand, production, exchange and consumption; labor, wages, and capital; inflation and deflation; and private goods and services).	Grade 6 RI.6.1-2 RI.6.,7-8 W.6.1-2 SL.6.1-5 L.6.1-6 Grade 7 RI.7.1-4 RI.7.8 W.7.1-2 W.7.6 SL.7.1-3 L.7.1-6 Grade 8 RI.8.1-4 W.8.1-2 SL.8.1-4 L.8.1-5	Grade 6 6.NSA.3 Mathematical Practices 6-8 1-2 4-7
<ul> <li>Session Four: Wide World of Work</li> <li>Students interview staff and customers at the FreeTrade Market to learn why people leave their home countries to work elsewhere and what is required to get an international job.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>The students will: <ul> <li>Explain how economic factors, like a job, can cause people to move to another country.</li> <li>Identify international career options and the requirements for that career, including a second language.</li> <li>Evaluate factors involved in working for an international organization.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Social Studies</li> <li>3.4 Explain how movement patterns throughout the world (e.g., people, ideas, diseases, products, food) lead to interdependence and/or conflict.</li> <li>5.4 Analyze how various personal and cultural points of view influence economic decisions.</li> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>6.5 Locate, explore, and evaluate a variety of occupations not limited by stereotypes, bias or traditional roles.</li> </ul>	Grade 6 RI.6.1-2 RI.6.4,7 W.6.7 SL.6.1-3 L.6.1-6 Grade 7 RI.7.1-4 RI.7.8 W.7.6-7 SL.7.1-3 L.7.1-6 Grade 8 RI.8.1-4 W.8.7,9 SL.8.1-2 L.8.1-5	NA



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<ul> <li>Session Five: Tough Choices</li> <li>Students explore business ethics and what responsibilities their FreeTrade Market businesses have to customers and employees.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>The students will: <ul> <li>Analyze the ethical responsibility that business owners and consumers share with one another.</li> <li>Evaluate what obligation business owners have for the safety and security of their employees and customers.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Social Studies</li> <li>1.1 Apply the steps of an inquiry process.</li> <li>1.3 Interpret and apply information to support conclusions and use group decision making strategies to solve problems in real world situations</li> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>3.1 Identify the need for and obtain data in order to make informed decisions in the workplace.</li> </ul>	Grade 6 RI.6.1,4,7 SL.6.1-2 SL.6.4-5 L.6.1,4-6 Grade 7 RI.7.1-3,4 SL.7.1-3 L.7.1-6 Grade 8 RI.8.1-4 SL.8.1-2 SL.8.4 L.8.1,3-5	Grade 6 6.NSA.3 Mathematical Practices 6-8 1-2 4-7
<ul> <li>Session Six: What Is Money Really Worth?</li> <li>Students compare the value of international currency as their FreeTrade Market businesses pay for goods.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>The students will: <ul> <li>Demonstrate how currency exchange affects international trade:</li> <li>Explain currency exchange rate</li> <li>Use an exchange rate calculator.</li> <li>Evaluate any obstacles to having a single global currency.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Social Studies</li> <li>5.5 Explain and illustrate how money is used (e.g., trade, borrow, save, invest, compare the value of goods and services) by individuals and groups (e.g., businesses, financial institutions, and governments)</li> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>2.5 Practice positive interpersonal communication skills (e.g., customer service, electronic etiquette, community service project).</li> <li>4.1 Describe and illustrate a system.</li> <li>4.2 Analyze how a system works (i.e., input, process, output, feedback, performance improvement).</li> </ul>	Grade 6 RI.6.,4,7,8 SL.6.1-3 SL.6.4-5 L.6.1 L.6.4-5 Grade 7 RI.7.4 SL.7.1-2 SL.7.4 L.7.1 L.7.3-6 Grade 8 RI.8.4 SL.8.1-3 L.8.1 L.8.3-5	Grade 6 6.RP.A.1 6.RP.A.2 6.RP.A.3 Grade 7 7.RP.A.1 Mathematical Practices 6-8 1-2 4-8



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<ul> <li>Session Seven: Fair Trade (volunteer- or teacher-led)</li> <li>Students examine a variety of trade barriers that are sometimes imposed by countries. They then go shopping in the market, where they face barriers and consequences that demonstrate the effects of international trade barriers.</li> <li>Objectives: The students will: <ul> <li>Define trade barriers and why they are used in international trade.</li> <li>Evaluate how free trade and trade barriers affect trade between countries.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Workplace Competencies 4.1 Describe and illustrate a system.	Grade 6 RI.6.1-2 RI.6.,4,7,8 W.6.2 SL.6.1-4 L.6.1-6 Grade 7 RI.7.1-4 W.7.2,6 SL.7.1-3 L.7.1-6 Grade 8 RI.8.1-4 W.8.2 SL.8.1-3 L.8.1-5	Grade 6 6.NSA.3 Mathematical Practices 6-8 1-2 4-8



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Session Details	MT Learning Standards	Other Standards	Common Core ELA
<ul> <li>Session One: Entrepreneurs</li> <li>Students learn about the relationship between entrepreneurs, their businesses, and the products and services they offer, then take an entrepreneurial characteristics inventory to assess their own entrepreneurial skills and interests.</li> <li>Objectives: <ul> <li>Define entrepreneurship and social entrepreneurship.</li> <li>Identify entrepreneurial characteristics and recognize strengths and areas of potential growth.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>5.1 Use technology for learning, communications, and productivity.</li> <li>5.2 Use technology to observe, analyze, interpret, and draw conclusions.</li> <li>6.4 Recognize and describe the interrelationships of lifetime roles of family, community, work, and leisure.</li> <li>6.5 Locate, explore, and evaluate a variety of occupations not limited by stereotypes, bias or traditional roles.</li> </ul>		RI 6.4,7 SL. 6.1-2 SL. 6 L. 6.1-6 RI 7.3-4 RI.7.7 SL. 7.1-2 SL. 7.4 L. 7.1-6 RI 8.3-4 RI. 8.7 SL. 8.1-2 SL. 8.6 L. 8.1-5
<ul> <li>Session Two: Market and Need</li> <li>Students are introduced to young entrepreneurs who have successfully met an identified market need, and then created a new product to meet the need. Students work in groups to brainstorm current needs within different product categories.</li> <li>Objectives: <ul> <li>Define market and need.</li> <li>Describe the importance of identifying market and need when entrepreneurs develop new product ideas.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Social Studies</li> <li>5.6 Analyze the influences of technological advancements (e.g., machinery, internet, genetics) on household, state, national and global economies.</li> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>4.1 Describe and illustrate a system (e.g., relationships among self, family, school, community).</li> <li>4.2 Analyze how a system works (i.e., input, process, output, feedback, performance improvement).</li> </ul>		RI 6.4,7 SL. 6.1-2 SL. 4 L. 6.1-6 RI 7.3-4 RI.7.7 SL. 7.1-2 SL. 7.6 L. 7.1-6 RI 8.3-4 RI. 8.7 SL. 8.1-2 SL. 8.4 L. 8.1-5
<ul> <li>Session Three: Innovative Ideas</li> <li>Students learn about innovative idea generation, and examine cutting edge, innovative new products.</li> <li>Working in groups, students brainstorm their own product ideas and use graphic organizers to capture them.</li> <li>Objectives: <ul> <li>Participate in creative idea generation, from brainstorming to defending and selecting an idea.</li> <li>Recognize creativity and innovation as necessary entrepreneurial skills for starting a business.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Social Studies</li> <li>5.4 Analyze how various personal and cultural points of view influence economic decisions (e.g., land ownership, taxation, unemployment).</li> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>6.3 Identify possible outcomes and consequences of decisions.</li> </ul>		RI 6.4,7 SL. 6.1-2 SL. 4 L. 6.1-6 RI 7.3-4 SL. 7.1-2 SL. 7.64 L. 7.1-6 RI 8.4,7 SL. 8.1-2 SL. 8.4 L. 8.1-5



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Session Details	MT Learning Standards	Other Standards	Common Core ELA
<ul> <li>Session Four: Market Research         Students learn about the importance of obtaining market feedback about a new product idea. Groups practice developing survey questions, test their questions, and discuss ways to revise their questions to obtain more useful feedback about their product ideas.     </li> <li>Objectives:         <ul> <li>Discuss the importance of market research in the product development process.</li> <li>Describe multiple types of survey questions.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Students learn about the product design and prototype process. Each student creates a product sketch to showcase their product idea.</li> <li>Objectives:         <ul> <li>Represent a product idea and its features by using rough sketches and drawings.</li> <li>Recognize sketches as an important first step in the prototype process.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>1.4 Manage personal and team resources to achieve personal and team goals.</li> <li>3.1 Identify the need for and obtain data in order to make informed decisions in the workplace.</li> <li>3.2 Organize and maintain written or computerized records using systematic methods.</li> <li>4.4 Acquire, organize, communicate, process, and analyze information from print and electronic sources.</li> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>2.1 Use a variety of skills to work as a member of a team while recognizing individual differences and cultural diversity (e.g., listening skills).</li> </ul>		RI 6.1-2 RI 6.4,7 SL 6.2 SL 6.4 L. 6.1-6 RI 7.1-2 RI 7.4,7 SL 7.2 L. 7.1-6 RI 8.1-2 RI 8.4,7 SL 8.2 L. 8.1-5 RI 6.4,7 SL 6.1-2 SL 6.4-7 L. 6.1-6 RI 7.4,7 SL 7.1-2 SL 7.4-5 L. 7.1-6
<ul> <li>Session Six: Seek Funding</li> <li>Students learn how to plan and deliver a pitch presentation with the intent of attracting potential investors. In a mock competition, groups pitch their product idea to the volunteer and teacher. Guest judge(s) may be invited to award teams with faux start-up funds.</li> <li>Objectives: <ul> <li>Discuss the elements that make a strong pitch presentation to potential investors.</li> <li>Work together to create and deliver a product pitch for potential funding.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Social Studies</li> <li>5.5 Explain and illustrate how money is used (e.g., trade, borrow, save, invest, compare the value of goods and services) by individuals and groups (e.g., businesses, financial institutions, and governments).</li> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>2.5 Practice positive interpersonal communication skills.</li> <li>3.3 Select and present information using a variety of methods.</li> </ul>		RI 8.4,7 SL 8.1-2 SL 8.4-5 L. 8.1-5 RI 6.4,7 SL 6.1-2 SL 6.4-6 L. 6.1-4 RI.7.4,7 W. 7.6-7 SL 7.1-2 SL 76 L. 7.1-4 RI 8.3-4 RI 8.7 W 8.7 SL 8.1-2 SL 8.4-6



## JA It's My Future – Blended

Session Descriptions	MT Learning Standards	Other Standards	Common Core ELA
<ul> <li>Session One: My Brand</li> <li>Students examine well-known businesses to learn about brand and reputation. They complete a personal brand worksheet to define their own brands and then design logos to represent themselves.</li> <li>Objectives: <ul> <li>Recognize branding as a way to build a positive reputation, personally as well as in the business world.</li> <li>Design a logo that expresses their personal brand.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>5.1 Use technology for learning, communications, and productivity.</li> <li>5.3 Prevent or identify and solve problems using technology.</li> <li>6.6 Explore and identify personal interests, aptitudes and abilities and develop strategies to achieve tentative life and career goals.</li> <li>Career and Vocational/Technical Education</li> <li>3.4 Identify methods that can increase a person's self-esteem.</li> <li>4.5 Follow basic technical instruction.</li> </ul>		RI 6.7 L. 6.1-6 SL. 6.1-3 SL. 6.5 L. 7.1-6 SL. 7.1-3 SL. 7.5 RI 8.4 L. 8.1-6 SL. 8.1-3 SL. 8.5
<ul> <li>Session Two: Career Clusters</li> <li>Students are introduced to the 16 career clusters, take a career interest assessment, learn about potential jobs within their preferred cluster and then share job information with other classmates and discuss the importance of all jobs within a community.</li> <li>Objectives: <ul> <li>Identify jobs in specific career clusters that they would like to further explore.</li> <li>Understand the interconnectivity and value of all types of jobs.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>2.1. Use a variety of skills to work as a member of a team while recognizing individual differences and cultural diversity (e.g., listening skills).</li> <li>3.1. Identify the need for and obtain data in order to make informed decisions in the workplace.</li> <li>3.4 Acquire, organize, communicate, process, and analyze information from print and electronic sources.</li> <li>Career and Vocational/Technical Education <ol> <li>1.1 Describe and demonstrate the importance of goal setting and career planning.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>		RI 6.7 L. 6.1-4 L.6.6 SL. 6.1-2 SL. 6. RI 7.4 L. 7.1,3,4 SL. 7.1,2,4 RI 8.4 L. 8.1,3,4 SL. 8.2,4
<ul> <li>Session Three: High Growth Careers</li> <li>Students learn about declining and high-growth careers and possible reasons for changes in a job's outlook. They are introduced to several high-growth occupations and have the opportunity to research growth careers in their preferred career clusters.</li> <li>Objectives: <ul> <li>Recognize the difference between high-growth and declining careers.</li> <li>Identify specific careers that are forecasted to have high growth.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>3.3 Select and present information using a variety of methods (e.g., oral, written, graphic, pictorial, multimedia).</li> <li>6.1 Identify how the skills taught in school subjects are used in various life roles and occupations.</li> <li>6.5 Locate, explore, and evaluate a variety of occupations not limited by stereotypes, bias or traditional roles.</li> <li>Career and Vocational/Technical Education <ol> <li>1.2 Explore and investigate career opportunities.</li> <li>1 Identify appropriate technical skills required for selected occupations.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>		RI 6.7 L.6.1,4,6 SL. 6.1-2 RI 7.4 L. 7.1,4 SL. 7.1-2 L. 8.1,3,4 SL. 8.1



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<ul> <li>Session Four: Career Mapping</li> <li>Students learn how early experiences can provide transferable skills that contribute to future job success by looking at well-known celebrities and their paths to success. They learn about career maps by examining a sample and creating their own.</li> <li>Objectives: <ul> <li>Identify experiences and activities related to foundational skills that are transferable to a future job.</li> <li>Plan the significant markers needed to earn a particular job.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>1.4 Manage personal and team resources to achieve personal and team goals.</li> <li>2.2 Organize and maintain written or computerized records using systematic methods.</li> <li>6.3 Identify possible outcomes and consequences of decisions.</li> <li>6.4 Recognize and describe the interrelationships of lifetime roles of family, community, work, and leisure.</li> <li>Career and Vocational/Technical Education</li> <li>2.2 Follow detailed instructions and complete assignment.</li> <li>5.1 Apply academic and technical skills to a class project.</li> <li>5.3 Describe how decisions affect self and others.</li> </ul>		L. 6.1-4 L.6.6 SL. 6.1-3 L. 7.1,3,4 SL. 7.1,2,4 L. 8.1,3,4 SL. 8.1-2
<ul> <li>Session Five: On the Hunt</li> <li>Students learn about the process of looking, applying, and interviewing for a job. They read about the process and then play a game in which they must identify two truths and a myth about each topic.</li> <li>Objectives: <ul> <li>Recognize basic job-hunting tools, including job postings, applications, recommendations, and interviews.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>Workplace Competencies</b> 4.3 Design and work within a system (e.g., committees, student council, mock government, simple electrical circuit) to manage, control, and improve performance.		RI 6.7 L. 6.1-6 SL. 6.1-2 SL. 5-6 RI 7.4 L. 7.1,3,4 SL. 7.1,2,4 RI 8.4 L. 8.1,3,4 SL. 8.2,4
<ul> <li>Session Six: Soft Skills</li> <li>Students learn about the differences between technical and soft skills and why both are essential to keep a job. They complete a soft skills self-evaluation to determine which skills they already have and which they can work toward. Finally, they role-play situations that require having strong soft skills.</li> <li>Objectives: <ul> <li>Differentiate between technical skills and soft skills.</li> <li>Describe specific soft skills they already possess and those on which they need to improve.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Workplace Competencies</li> <li>6.2 Demonstrate personal qualities (e.g., dependability, punctuality, cooperation) that are needed to get and keep jobs.</li> <li>Career and Vocational/Technical Education</li> <li>3.2. Identify personal and work ethics.</li> </ul>		RI 6.7 L. 6.1-6 SL. 6.1-2 SL. 5-6 RI 7.4 L. 7.1,3,4 SL. 7.1-2 SL.7.5-6 RI 8.4 L. 8.1,3,4 SL. 8.1-3



## JA Inspire

Session Descriptions	Academic Standards	Other Standards	Common Core ELA
Session One: Career Planning Starts with You			Reading for Informational
Through close examination of specific skills and career clusters, students learn the key factors to investigate career planning, skills, interests, work priorities, and job outlooks.			<b>Text</b> RI 1 RI 4 RI 7
Objectives:			Speaking and Listening
Students will:			SL 1 SL 2
<ul> <li>Recognize career clusters that match their skills and interests.</li> <li>Assess their soft skills and identify need for improvement.</li> <li>Identify industries and jobs that offer opportunities.</li> </ul>			L 3 L 4 L 6
Session Two: Making the Most of JA Inspire			Speaking and Listening
In this session, students refine a plan for the event. If possible, encourage students to spend additional time outside of class researching the participating companies.			SL 1 SL 2 Writing W 4 W 7
Objectives:			W 8
Students will:			
<ul> <li>Identify companies that they want to learn more about at the JA Inspire event. Three is a good number.</li> <li>Prepare questions that they want to ask and practice asking them.</li> <li>Create an elevator pitch—a statement that explains why they are interested in a company or a job and what they have to offer and helps to connect them with the company volunteers.</li> <li>Express their expectations of the upcoming event.</li> </ul>			Language L 3 L 4 L 6



# JA Inspire

Session Descriptions	Academic Standards	Other Standards	Common Core ELA
<b>Session Three: JA Inspire Event</b> During the JA Inspire expo, students participate in hands-on activities, often using equipment or tools used on a job.			Reading for Informational Text RI 1 RI 4 DI 7
Objectives:			RI 7
<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Make connections with adults who have jobs in careers that interest them.</li> <li>See the connection between high school programming choices and careers.</li> <li>Collect information about the education required to be successful in a job.</li> <li>Practice soft skills.</li> </ul>			Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 Language L 3 L 4 L 6
<ul> <li>Session Four: Debrief and Next Steps</li> <li>Students reflect on what they have learned and identify next steps to further define their academic choices and career path. They also compose a thank you note to a chosen company.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Evaluate personal goals and priorities based on their experience at the JA Inspire event.</li> <li>Identify next steps, including exploration of high school coursework and other research.</li> <li>Understand relevant business communication practices.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			Reading for Informational Text RI 1 RI 4 RI 7 Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 Writing W 3 W 4 W 5 Language L 3 L 4 L 6



Session Descriptions	Academic Standards for	Social Studies Standards	Common Core ELA
Session One: Career Interests and Your Path Students understand the importance of career planning and complete a Career			Reading for Information RI.1 RI.3 RI.4
Interest Inventory to assess their own values, skills, and interests in the context of career paths.			RI.5
Objectives:			L.1
<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Consider their values, skills, and interests.</li> <li>Take a Career Interest Inventory.</li> <li>Relate their values, skills, interests, and Career Interest Inventory to future career opportunities.</li> </ul>			L.3 L.4 L.5 L.6
Session Two: Career Planning and Your Path Students learn to recognize career clusters and focus on those tied to the results of			Reading for Information RI.1 RI.3 RI.4
their Career Interest Inventory. They explore the knowledge, skills, and abilities needed for their careers of interest, as well as the outlook for openings in those fields. <b>Objectives:</b>			RI.5 Writing W.4
Students will:			W.5 W.6
<ul> <li>Learn why career planning is important.</li> <li>Recognize career clusters.</li> <li>Identify career clusters that match their skills and interests.</li> <li>Identify requirements to obtain jobs in fields of interest.</li> </ul>			Language L.1 L.2 L.3 L.4 L.6



Session Descriptions	Academic Standards for	Social Studies Standards	Common Core ELA
Session Three: Preparing to Meet Your Future			Reading for Information
Students learn how awareness of their values, skills, and interests helps guide them to a career that is meaningful, enjoyable, and positioned for success. They learn about soft skills and explore education and training requirements in their fields of interest.			RI.1 RI.3 RI.4 RI.5 <b>Language</b> L.1
Objectives:			L.3 L.4
Students will:			L.5
<ul> <li>Understand why it's important to choose a career where they can be successful and develop a career plan.</li> <li>Practice soft skills.</li> <li>Recognize education and training requirements and opportunities for careers of interest.</li> </ul>			L.6
Session Four: Local Business Means Opportunity			Reading for Information
Students learn about their local economy. They review the list of JA Inspire Virtual career fair exhibitors and the website of their local Chamber of Commerce and look for common themes, such as career			RI.1 RI.3 RI.4 RI.5
clusters. They identify companies they would like to visit during the virtual career fair.			Writing W.4 W.5
Objectives:			W.6
Students will:			ļ
<ul> <li>Recognize traits of their local economy.</li> <li>Identify common career clusters in their area and among JA Inspire Virtual exhibitors.</li> <li>Create a list of exhibitors to visit during JA Inspire Virtual.</li> </ul>			Language L.1 L.2 L.3 L.4 L.6



Session Descriptions	Academic Standards for	Social Studies Standards	Common Core ELA
Session Five: Learn from the Experts			Reading for Information
Students review the speakers and webinars available at the JA Inspire Virtual career fair, create a list of at least three to view, and define what they would like to learn from them.			RI.1 RI.3 RI.4 RI.5
Objectives:			Language
Students will:			L.1 L.3
<ul> <li>Identify relevant JA Inspire Virtual speakers and webinars to attend.</li> <li>Note facts about the speakers and topics of webinars they will attend.</li> <li>Develop questions to consider when watching the speakers and webinars.</li> </ul>			L.4 L.5 L.6
Session Six: Welcome to JA Inspire Virtual			Reading for Information
Students attend the JA Inspire Virtual Career fair.			RI.1 RI.3 RI.4
Objectives:			RI.5
Students will:			
<ul> <li>Visit exhibits at JA Inspire Virtual.</li> <li>Attend speeches and webinars at JA Inspire Virtual.</li> <li>Complete the What I Learned section of the chart from their Learn from the Experts worksheet</li> </ul>			Writing W.4 W.5 W.6 Language L.1 L.2
			L.2 L.3 L.4 L.6



Session Descriptions	Academic Standards for	Social Studies Standards	Common Core ELA
Session Seven: JA Inspire Personal Reflection			Reading for Information
Students reflect on what they have learned and identify next steps to further define their academic choices and career path.			RI.1 RI.3 RI.4 RI.5
Objectives:			KI.5
<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Evaluate personal goals and priorities based on their experience at the JA Inspire Virtual event.</li> <li>Identify next steps, including exploration of high school coursework and other research.</li> </ul>			Language L.1 L.3 L.4 L.5 L.6



# JA Career Exploration Fair

Session Descriptions	Academic Standards	Other Standards	Common Core ELA
<ul> <li>Pre-Fair Session: What Sets You Apart?</li> <li>Students reflect on their abilities, interests, and values as they consider future career choices.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Define careers.</li> <li>Differentiate between abilities (skills) and values.</li> <li>Identify their personal characteristics.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			Reading for Informational Text RI 4 RI 7 Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 Language L 3 L 4 L 6
<ul> <li>The Day of the Fair</li> <li>Students will visit seven speakers from the community who will give brief presentations about their jobs, allowing time for students to ask questions.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Complete one pre-fair activity (teacher-led) (optional).</li> <li>Express how jobs require specific interests and skills.</li> <li>Complete one post-fair activity (teacher-led) (optional).</li> <li>Complete a student evaluation, if requested.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			Reading for Informational Text RI 4 RI 7 Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 Writing W 4 W 7 Language L 3 L 4 L 6



# JA Career Exploration Fair

Session Descriptions	Academic Standards	Other Standards	Common Core ELA
<ul> <li>Post-Fair Session</li> <li>Students reflect on their JA Career Exploration Fair experiences.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Identify a future career goal.</li> <li>Create a personal action plan.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			Reading for Informational Text RI 2 RI 4 RI 5 RI 7 Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 Writing W 4 W 7 Language L 3 L 4 L 6



# JA Career Speaker Series

Session Descriptions	Academic Standards	<mark>Other</mark> Standards	Common Core ELA
Session One: Before the Event Students research the visiting career speaker and his or her company, and prepare questions for the speaker event. Objectives: Students will:			Reading for Informational Text RI 1 RI 4 RI 7
<ul> <li>Identify skills and interests.</li> <li>Recognize Career Clusters</li> <li>Recall future high-demand occupations</li> </ul>			Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 Writing
			W 4 W 7 Language L 3 L 4 L 6
Session Two: During the Event Students learn about the guest speaker's job experiences and stories, ask questions, and take notes. Objectives: Students will:			Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 Writing W 4 W 7
<ul> <li>Practice active listening skills.</li> <li>Equate job responsibilities with skills and interests</li> </ul>			Language L 3 L 4 L 6
Session Three: After the Event Students reflect on what they learned during their preparation and the speaker event.			Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2
<ul><li>Objectives:</li><li>Students will:</li><li>Recognize Career Clusters</li></ul>			Writing W 2 W 4 W 7
			Language L 3 L 4 L 6



# JA Excellence through Ethics

Session Descriptions	Academic Standards	Other Standards	Common Core ELA
<ul> <li>Day of the Visit</li> <li>Students are introduced to the concept of ethics, participate in a demonstration of why ethics are important to discuss, examine their core values, and explore how we are all interdependent on the choices we each make.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Define ethics, ethical dilemma, values, core values, and interdependence.</li> <li>Articulate how one's core values affects one's choices.</li> <li>Articulate and identify the steps necessary to make ethical decisions.</li> <li>Recognize that individual ethics affect the greater community.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			Reading for Informational Text RI 1 RI 4 RI 7 Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 SL 3 SL 4 Writing W 4 Language L 3 L 4 L 6
<ul> <li>Reflection Activity</li> <li>Students will reflect and discuss what they've learning after interacting with the volunteer, a local business professional who articulated how and why professionals make ethical choices and decisions regarding relationships, the work environment, and life.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Apply key terms and concepts used in the volunteer-led activities.</li> <li>Use intentional, ethical decision-making skills to consider outcomes and consequences of choices.</li> <li>Self-examine to develop a personal awareness of values to begin to see the connection between their words and actions.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 SL 3 Language L 3 L 4 L 6



# JA It's My Job (Soft Skills)

Session Descriptions	Academic Standards	Other Standards	Common Core ELA
<ul> <li>Communicating About Yourself</li> <li>Students learn what their dress, speech, and listening skills communicate to others about them.</li> <li>Objectives:</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Recognize the importance of manners as an element of professionalism.</li> <li>Identify language and style appropriate for the workplace.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			Reading for Informational Text RI 1 RI 4 Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 SL 4 SL 6 Writing W 4 Language
			L1 L2 L3 L4 L6
Applications and Resumes Students examine both document forms and begin to think about how to adapt their experiences, skills, and achievements into the applicable template to present themselves to a potential employer.			Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 Writing
Objectives:			W 4
<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Identify information necessary for a job application.</li> <li>Recognize key features and formatting of resumes.</li> <li>Use appropriate language for a resume.</li> </ul>			<b>Language</b> L1 L 2 L 3 L 4 L 6



# JA It's My Job (Soft Skills)

Session Descriptions	Academic Standards	Other Standards	Common Core ELA
<b>Interviewing for a Job</b> Students complete an activity and track their accomplishments in a "brag sheet." Additional activities are available in which students develop a personal profile that will help them succeed during an interview and practice mock interviews. <b>Objectives:</b>			Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 SL 4 SL 6 Writing
Students will:			W 4
<ul> <li>Identify appropriate content for a personal brag sheet</li> <li>Adapt personal information to interview situations.</li> <li>Develop answers to common interview questions.</li> <li>Recognize appropriate professional dress and demeanor for a job interview.</li> </ul>			Language L1 L 2 L 3 L 4 L 6
Cell Phones in the Workplace			Speaking and
Students develop an understanding of appropriate communication methods to ensure workplace success. <b>Objectives:</b> Students will:			Listening SL 1 SL 2 SL 4 SL 5 SL 6
<ul> <li>Recognize and identify appropriate and inappropriate uses of cell phones in the workplace.</li> <li>Identify the effects of inappropriate usage of cell phones in the workplace.</li> <li>Adapt cell phone behavior and functions for professional uses.</li> <li>Recognize and apply appropriate texting style for communicating in the workplace.</li> </ul>			Language L1 L 3 L 4 L 6



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Session Descriptions	Academic Standards	Other Standards	Common Core ELA
Workplace Communication Students complete activities focused on appropriate tone and topics for the workplace and strategies for collaborating effectively. Objectives:			Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 SL 4 SL 5 SL 6
Students will:			SL 0
<ul> <li>Identify and use an appropriate professional tone in workplace communication.</li> <li>Identify appropriate and inappropriate subjects for workplace discussion.</li> <li>Enable cooperative and productive group interactions.</li> <li>Communicate to solve problems collaboratively and respectfully.</li> </ul>			Language L1 L 3 L 4 L 6
Workplace Writing Students practice writing concisely, clearly, and correctly, with appropriate workplace style. Objectives:			Speaking and Listening SL 1 SL 2 SL 4 SL 6
Students will:			SE 0
<ul> <li>Use proper spelling, grammar, and punctuation in the workplace.</li> <li>List best practices for effective business writing.</li> <li>Use clear language and appropriate style for written communication in</li> </ul>			Writing W 4 W5 W6
<ul> <li>the workplace.</li> <li>Identify important ideas and express them clearly and concisely in writing.</li> </ul>			Language L1 L 2 L 3 L 4 L 6

