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# JUNE 2025 NEWSLETTER

School may be coming to a close, but JA is still in session! Our summer programs are just heating up, and we need passionate volunteers like you to help keep students learning, dreaming, and preparing for success.

Summer is the perfect time to try something new or introduce a friend to JA. With flexible schedules and fun, hands-on opportunities, there's no better season to make an impact!

 **Questions or feedback? Reach out to Erin Guckin anytime—we'd love to hear from you!**

# SUMMER 2025

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### **RUFFNER ACADEMY SUMMER PROGRAM**

**Who?** Grades 3-8

**What?** Spend the hour talking about your job, your career path, training/education, pros/cons about your job, and more!

**When?** Wednesdays 12:45-1:45 starting June 18<sup>th</sup> until July 9<sup>th</sup>

**Where?** Ruffner Academy in Norfolk, VA!

**Why?** Help inspire the next generation of innovators!

More opportunities to come! We are still in the process of planning summer programs!

Want to get involved? Contact [Erin Guckin](#) or [Jessica Roby](#)!

**VOLUNTEER NOW! YOUR TIME  
MAKES A DIFFERENCE!**

 **BOUNDLESS  
POSSIBILITY™**



# EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE:

## JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT



**OCTOBER 2, 2025**

**SHOTGUN START AT 10AM  
BAY CREEK RESORT & CLUB  
CAPE CHARLES, VIRGINIA**

*Detailed invitation to follow*



For more information, contact [Natalie Ashcraft](#)



# MAY MOMENTS

JA Day Fun!



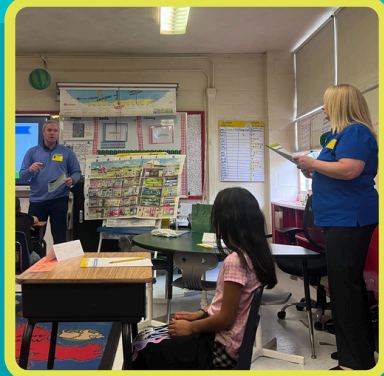
Volunteers from Atlantic Union Bank, Dollar Bank, and Capital One at Chesterfield Academy in Norfolk!



JAGHR President Jean Galliano & her daughter Grace teach their first class at Oceanair ES!



Thank you to Fulton Bank for volunteering at Oceanair Elementary School in Norfolk!



Thank you to Cherry Bekaert for volunteering at Oceanair Elementary School in Norfolk!

# WHY JA? WHY NOW?

JA doesn't just last a lifetime—it changes lives.



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## DID YOU KNOW?



# 96%

of JA Alumni say JA positively influenced their lives!

**FROM CAREER CHOICES TO MONEY MANAGEMENT,  
SELF-CONFIDENCE TO ENTREPRENEURSHIP —  
JA HELPED SHAPE THE PATHS OF  
SO MANY!**

## 89%

### SELF-CONFIDENCE

say JA shaped their belief that they can achieve their goals.

## 81%

### FINANCIAL FOOTING

feel financially stable.

## 83%

### CAREER SATISFACTION

find their careers extremely fulfilling.

### SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS

JA Alumni are more likely to identify as middle or higher income compared to their peers.

"An overwhelming number of students will become entrepreneurs in their lifetime and own their own businesses. Small business is the backbone of American industry, so why not introduce the concepts of operating a business in a high school environment?"

-Lisa Burkett

Marketing Teacher from PAHS

# SUPPORT JA

**Whether through donations, sponsorships, or volunteer referrals, every contribution makes an impact!**

**Donate Now** – Your donation helps fund classroom materials, student scholarships, and hands-on learning experiences that empower the next generation. Every dollar goes directly toward expanding opportunities for students. Donate [here](#).

**Volunteer Referrals** – Know someone who would love to get involved? Encourage a friend, coworker, or family member to join our volunteer network and help bring JA programs to even more students!

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# THANK YOU

As we transition into summer, we want to thank you for helping us finish the school year strong—and for stepping up as we continue our mission into the summer months.

Whether you led a JA lesson, inspired students during a career day, or helped support one of our events, your time and passion have made a lasting impact. Because of you, students across Hampton Roads are entering summer with new skills, confidence, and dreams for the future.

And the best part? We're just getting started. With your continued support, we'll keep empowering young minds through summer camps and workshops. Thank you for being a part of something bigger.

**Together, we're shaping futures  
—one student at a time.**

