



Volunteer Position Description

Program Facilitator: Grade 8

ESIS: Economics for Success

About Junior Achievement:

Junior Achievement (JA) is an international not-for-profit organization supported by local business and organizations. JA delivers a variety of business, entrepreneurial and life skill programs to students throughout the country at no cost to students or school boards. Volunteers from the business community, service clubs and the public sector facilitate all JA programs.

ESIS: Economics for Success introduces key concepts to help students develop a positive attitude towards education while recognizing the personal and economic costs of living on their own. This program encourages students to consider the advantages of staying in school so they may acquire the knowledge, skills, and motivation to pursue a successful career.

Position Involves Working With:

- Grade 8 students
- Grade 8 classroom teacher
- JA Program Account Manager and/or JA Coordinator (Corporate/Community Groups)

Time Commitment:

- Training session (2 hours – mandatory for first time volunteers; optional for returning volunteers)
- Minimum one full school day(s) – average 6 hours

Responsibilities / Activities:

- Will successfully delivery the four central lessons of the ESIS program; Dream Your Success, Keep Your Balance, Discover Yourself, Plan Your Success
- Commit to the agreed upon volunteer date
- Be comfortable and willing to share own professional experience/knowledge
- Complete and forward all necessary program evaluation and volunteer feedback surveys to Junior Achievement of Central Ontario
- Help students:
 - ♦ understand how every opportunity is a stepping-stone to success
 - ♦ realize the financial constraints and demands of independence
 - ♦ develop employability and interpersonal effectiveness
 - ♦ identify resources needed to support a life-long career journey

Working Conditions:

- Volunteers will be placed in Public, Catholic or Private school classroom

Time Commitment:

- Attend a 2 hour training session
- Communicate with school and JA Program Account Manager via phone and/or email
- Independent program preparation
- Facilitate the program using JA provided materials

Skills / Experience / Qualifications:

- Good communication skills
- Organized and reliable
- Facilitation experience is desired, but not required
- Personable and outgoing
- Values education
- Enjoy working with adolescent learners...patience is a virtue!

Orientation / Training / Support:

- Formal orientation and training – JA Program Account Manager / JA Coordinator
- Ongoing program support and training as needed
- Teacher support on day of program delivery

Benefits:

- Formal and informal recognition (i.e. Certificate of Appreciation, Volunteer Event, etc.)
- Develop leadership, presentation and facilitation skills
- Educate students about careers in your industry
- Provide access to networking opportunities
- Encourage and develop students' interest in their potential

Screening Measures:

- Volunteer Application Form
- Signed Volunteer Commitment Agreement
- Orientation & Training
- Supervision & Evaluation