

Your students are invited to join The JA INSPIRE Virtual Career Exploration Fair! A program that satisfies the need for schools to incorporate career development education within a school year and gives the opportunity for career exploration!

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JA INSPIRE Virtual Career Exploration Fair is an event where students learn about a range of career options across multiple career clusters. The culminating experience brings together the business community and local schools and is designed to help launch middle and high school students into their future - college and careers beyond.

Highlights

- Structured educator and student guides available electronically or in print form.
- Middle and high school versions of the curriculum are available.
- JA INSPIRE Virtual Career Exploration Fair materials can be saved to a virtual backpack.
- Students can revisit the virtual event for 3 months following the live event.

The JA INSPIRE Career Exploration curriculum provides educators with resources and lessons to effectively integrate work and career readiness into the classroom. The program consists of three segments: (1) pre-event curriculum, delivered via a remote learning session or in classroom (2) virtual career expo experience; and (3) post-event reflection activity.

Objectives

Student objectives will vary based on grade level. Generally students will:

- Integrate self-knowledge into career planning.
- Identify the variety of careers people have in the community.
- Express how jobs require specific interests and skills.
- Investigate a variety of careers and the skills, education preparation, training, and personal qualities needed for those careers
- Relate the impact of personal interests and abilities on career choices.
- Examine how school skills apply to career paths.
- Explain the importance of staying in school and graduating high school.

Outline

Before the JA INSPIRE Virtual Career Exploration Fair (teacher-led)

Pre-JA Career Exploration Fair Session: 45 minutes In the pre-fair session, students will assess their abilities, interests, work preferences, and values in preparation for the *JA INSPIRE Virtual Career Exploration Fair*.

Virtual Career Fair Experience - Kick off date is March 15th and the platform is available for 90 days!

Visually rich virtual environment that mimics the dynamics of a physical live event, including a virtual lobby, information booth, auditorium for presentations, and halls with booths and sponsors. Students will have the ability to download videos and documents for future use.

After the JA INSPIRE Virtual Career Exporation Fair (teacher-led)

Post-JA Career Exploration Fair Session: 45 minutes In the post-fair session, students will reflect on their *JA INSPIRE Career Exploration Fair experiences*.

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