

Gratitude Report

2022-2023

Inspiring Tomorrows



OUR MISSION:

To inspire and prepare young people to succeed in a global economy.

YEAR IN REVIEW | 2022-2023

- Welcomed two new members to the JA Maine Board of Directors
- Honored Steve deCastro with the JA USA Silver Award for his dedication and leadership on the JA Maine Board of Directors
- Presented Shannon Coombs
 with the JA Volunteer of the Year
 Award at JAM Fest
- Developed a Volunteer Task Force to support growing volunteer needs across the state
- Recruited and trained 679 JA
 volunteer mentors to deliver JA
 programs across Maine

- Impacted 12,745 K-12 students in 160 schools across Maine
- Logged over 13,145 miles around Maine with 263 participants in JAmovesME
- Challenged 276 students to become business CEOs in the JA Titan Experience
- Welcomed new Laureates
 into the JA Maine Business
 Hall of Fame: Dajuan Eubanks,
 Jon and Dan Shaw, and the
 Beaulieu Family
- Provided 27 classrooms with a JA Career Speaker Series
 Experience





Michelle Anderson President & CEO



Colleen McCracken
Board of Directors, Chair

This year's Junior Achievement of Maine Gratitude Report is a testament to our collective impact on students' lives throughout our state.

Entering FY24 with renewed enthusiasm, our focus on fostering entrepreneurship and workforce readiness in STEAM-related careers became crucial. Your dedication has been instrumental in helping us prepare students for Maine's dynamic economy.

Expanding our volunteer base was a highlight, overcoming workforce constraints and allowing more students to benefit from JA's Learning Experiences. Our closer alignment with the entrepreneurial community empowered the next generation of self-starting business leaders and helped to enrich student learning experiences. Our shared mission to inspire and prepare young people for success is the foundation for the workforce of tomorrow.

Diversifying our partnerships is vital to providing students with a comprehensive view of opportunities in Maine, and we hope that you'll help us achieve this goal by letting fellow business and community leaders know about the power of JA Maine and how they, too, can lend support.

In this Gratitude Report, you'll find stories of inspiration and impact beyond the classroom, showcasing the transformative power of education. None of this would be possible without your steadfast support.

Thank you for being an integral part of our journey,

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BOUNDLESS POSSIBILITY**

At Junior Achievement, we believe in "possible." Each day, we work to help young people discover what's possible in their lives. We let them know it's possible to invest in their future, to better understand how the world works, and pursue their dreams.



Student Impact

Imagine a generation of students with the confidence and knowledge to take control of their futures.

Junior Achievement's proven lessons in financial literacy, work and career readiness, and entrepreneurship are shown to positively impact the lives of young people.

These lessons align with national and state educational standards and are delivered to millions of students across the country with the help of our education partners and volunteers from the local community.

Research shows that JA Alumni are more likely to have a college degree, feel confident managing money, have career success, and have started a business as an adult.





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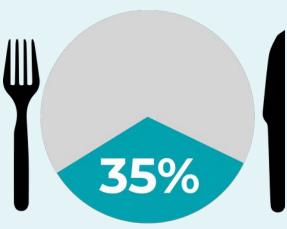
JA TITAN / CLASS OF 2018

Alli's journey from the 2018 Titan Challenge to her current role as a Consumer Relationship Manager at Bangor Savings Bank showcases the Titan Experience's transformative impact. Her exposure to the banking industry sparked this career path through the Titan Challenge, where she met key mentors at the bank.

As David Pease, Senior Vice President at Bangor Savings, noted, "I was happy that the Titan Challenge opened her eyes to an industry and company she hadn't previously considered."

Her dedication and talent led to a rapid promotion to Relationship Manager in the Bar Harbor branch, making her story a testament to the program's ability to open doors to unexpected career opportunities.

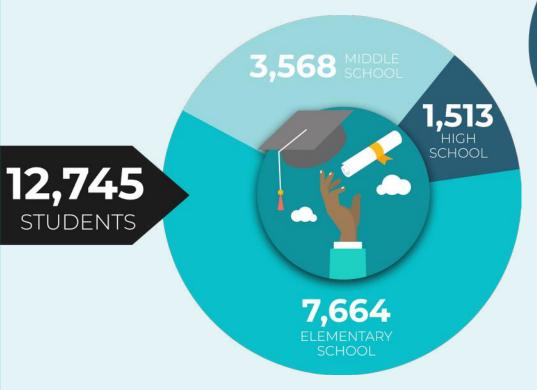
2022-2023 School Year Overview



OF PARTICIPATING STUDENTS QUALIFY FOR FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH











The Maine Business Hall of Fame, presented by Junior Achievement of Maine, recognizes individuals who have made a lasting impact on the state. Laureates are honored for their leadership and success in business, as well as their community involvement.

The event serves as a celebration of their careers while also showcasing the impact of Junior Achievement experiences on the lives of young people in Maine.

Local K-12th students attend the event to share the lasting impact JA mentors and learning experiences have had on their lives and their optimistic outlook for the future.

Congratulations to all of our 2022 honorees, and a sincere thank you to all the individuals and businesses that contributed to the success of the event!



































Job Shadow

Love Your Job? Share it with a Kid!

JA Job Shadow prepares students to be entrepreneurial thinkers in their approach to work. Students will acquire and apply the skills needed in demanding and everchanging workplaces. JA Job Shadow:

- · Helps prepare our future workforce
- Showcases your place of work
- Enables your employees to easily participate in a community activity
- It's turnkey; JA provides the materials and training and will help arrange all JA Job Shadow days in advance



JA In a Day

Accelerated Learning Opportunities

A JA in a Day is an intensive, high-impact event where volunteers partner with schools to give students the tools they need to be financially capable, tenacious, and equipped to manage risk effectively, solve problems creatively, and welcome opportunity in an increasingly complex modern economy.

In short, we're empowering the next generation to transform "I can't" into "I can" and their dreams into plans.

It's also a great way for companies to enhance team building and camaraderie!





Our Maine Kids need your help! Junior Achievement of Maine's need for volunteers across the State has doubled from last year to more than 400 opportunities to get in the classroom and educate our future leaders on financial literacy, career readiness, and entrepreneurship. Look at the smiles...volunteering with JA is a great way to give back to your local community! Learn more or sign up as a new volunteer: https://maine.ja.org/. Ready to volunteer again, email myself or Jill: al.bugbee@deadriver.com, jiamison@jamijae.org.









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Helping businesses develop strategies to meet their financial needs.

I think my heart grew three times larger today. VI finished teaching JA: My City to a group of third graders, and they made me thank you cards! If you want to experience the joy of empowering kids in your community, let me know. You won't regret it! Junior Achievement of Maine





Multiple Grade Levels & Programs

Junior Achievement classroom programs foster work-readiness, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy skills by using hands-on, experiential learning to inspire students to dream big and reach their potential.

Elementary Programs

Changing students' lives by helping them understand the basic concepts of business and economics, and how education is relevant to the workplace.

Middle School Programs

Reinforcing the value of work readiness, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy by helping teens make difficult decisions about how to best prepare for their educational and professional future.

High School Programs

Helping students make informed, intelligent decisions about their future and fosters skills that will be highly useful in the business world.

JAM Fest

Celebrating Volunteers!

Showing some love to JA volunteer mentors from all over the state by recognizing their selfless dedication and lasting impact on Maine's youth. Congratulations to this year's Volunteer of the Year, Shannon Coombs! Her ten years of support and dedication to Maine students have genuinely made an impact!









Golf Classic

A JA Maine Tradition

Hosted in Auburn and Presque Isle, these tournaments are a great way to kick off summer with business leaders across Maine. Whether you're hitting the links with coworkers or sponsoring a part of the course, your participation helps us get Junior Achievement in classrooms across the state. These events sell out each year -- register early to secure your spot!























JA Titan Experience and Statewide Challenge

What is the Titan Experience?

JA Titan is a simulation-based program for high-school students to compete as business CEOs. In training for the competition, they learn how a company evaluates alternatives, makes decisions, analyzes outcomes, and develops strategies to pivot based on success and disruption.

This combination of analytical thinking and application of competencies helps students prepare for engaging careers in STEAM-focused industries.

These ongoing lessons build towards the multi-site, JA Maine Titan Challenge, where students put their newly developed skills to the test as a CEO. Top performers are invited to move on to compete at the national level.

Measured Success:

90% say the Titan Experience helped them learn how to run a business

97% stated that they would participate in the Titan Experience again

88% believe these lessons will be important in their future









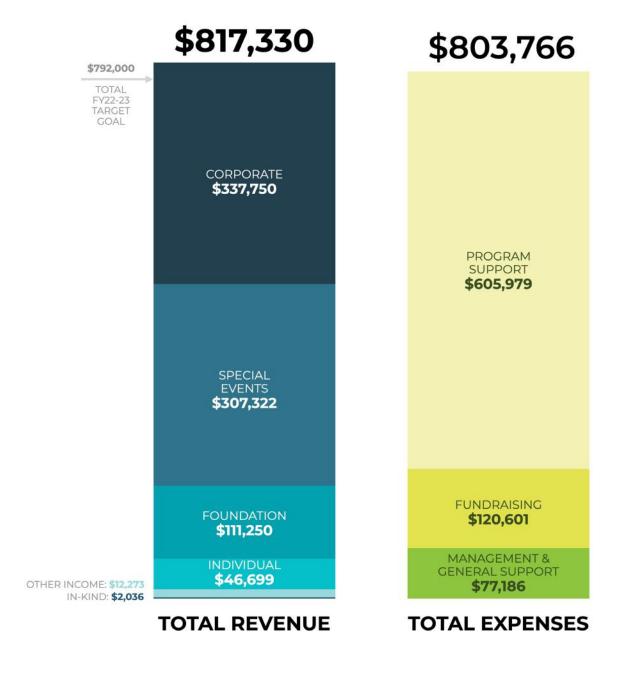






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