

## **JA Finance Park FAQs**

### **What are our overall volunteer goals?**

Work with students to ensure:

- the safety and security of the students while at the park
- students are completing their tasks and encourage them to do their best
- students' questions about budgeting concerns are answered.

### **What is my role at JA Finance Park?**

- Volunteers will assist students by helping them understand and stay focused on their budgets throughout the day.
- All students should complete job tasks as much as possible on their own, and volunteers should offer encouragement or gentle reminders as needed.
- The day at JA Finance Park is a learning process. The overall lesson is focused on how budgeting works so watch for teachable moments.

### **When should I arrive at JA Finance Park?**

Arrive at JA Finance Park at the scheduled time emailed to you. Training starts promptly at 8:15a or 8:45a (depending on arrival time of the school)

### **Where do I park?**

You should receive an email with an address and instructions on where to park approximately one week out from your scheduled volunteer date.

### **How long will I be at JA Finance Park?**

You will be at JA Finance Park about 5 to 5 ½ hours. This includes training time.

### **What should I wear as a volunteer?**

Please wear comfortable shoes as you will be standing/walking throughout the day. Otherwise, come in comfortable, modest clothes.

### **May I take pictures at JA Finance Park?**

You may take pictures if you:

- Please don't plan on publishing the pictures unless we have a photo release from the school. Avoid any child who has been identified as a 'no-photo' student. Look for a 'dot' on their name tag.

### **What about lunch?**

Lunch is normally sponsored by Chick-fil-A, but you are always welcome to bring your own. Feel free to eat with the students or you may leave the park area as long as you're back by the scheduled start time.

### **If my child comes on the bus, may I take him/her home with me in the car?**

You may not take your child home with you unless previous arrangements have been made with your child's school.



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**Is there anything else I should know?**

Yes, please remember:

- Some students will not master everything.
- Perfection is not the overall goal – an understanding of how budgeting works is our goal.
- Try to encourage students as needed.
- JA staff is here to ensure a successful visit day; please speak up if you need an extra hand.
- Time is often out of our control, and there is normally little flexibility with our daily schedule.
- It is normal for things to be fast-paced and busy – hang in there!