

# DEAR EDUCATOR AND VOLUNTEER,

As you implement *JA Inspire*<sup>®</sup> Advanced, we want you to be aware of the self-guided, on-demand digital resources available on JA Connect<sup>®</sup> to enhance and extend student learning. These bite-size learning activities average 5–10 minutes in length, are highly interactive, and are accessible via computer or mobile device at <u>https://connect.ja.org/work-career-readiness</u>. They may be used:

- As pre-program activities to help jump-start conversation.
- To practice concepts during your JA class sessions.
- As a follow-up for extended learning/practice.

All entry-level resources are available to any user. Intermediate and advanced resources require login (users can access with existing JA login or may self-register). Select the thumbnail image to go directly to the resource.

New resources are added frequently, so check back often. Examples of resources that align with *JA Inspire* Advanced include the following:

# **SESSION ONE: CAREER INTERESTS AND YOUR PATH**



What Is Growth Mindset?

Entry

Students learn about growth mindset and how to identify it in themselves and others.



How to Develop a Growth Mindset

Students explore tips and examples to help them overcome fixed ideas and allow them to grow, learn, and overcome challenges.





Go to <u>connect.ja.org</u> for more activities.



#### Make the Match



Students discover some key factors to consider when choosing among job offers through an interactive game.

### **SESSION TWO: CAREER PLANNING AND YOUR PATH**



#### JA Future by Design: Careers

#### Intermediate

Students discover how to approach career exploration like an entrepreneur by using the Design for Delight method in this multiple session activity.



# Match Strengths and Interests to Careers

#### Entry

Students learn about a personality test that can help them decide what type of job would suit them best and set them on the road to success.

Entry



### **SESSION THREE: PREPARING TO MEET YOUR FUTURE**



Collecting Evidence of Transferable Skills

**Entry** Students learn to identify and describe "transferable" skills that will help them land a job.



**Effective Team Behavior** 

Intermediate

Students observe and make recommendations about which employees have the traits they need to support collaboration, resolve conflicts, and lead by example.



#### **Responding to Failure**

**Intermediate** Students discover tips and techniques for responding positively to failure.

### **SESSION FOUR: LOCAL BUSINESS MEANS OPPORTUNITY**



#### What is the Gig Economy?

### Entry

Students learn about the growing gig economy and discover how many people are earning a part-time or fulltime income on their own terms.



#### **Gigs are Everywhere**

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Students discover the amazing breadth of gigs to choose from depending on their interests, time, skills, and resources.

## **SESSION FIVE: LEARN FROM THE EXPERTS**



#### **Informational Interviews**

#### Entry

Students learn about the benefits of informational interviews and get tips on how to get the most out of an interview they've set up.



#### Setting Up Informational Interviews

Intermediate

Students learn how to conduct an informational interview, including tips for finding and contacting people in their field of interest, setting up meetings, and appropriate responses.



### **SESSION SIX: VISIT THE JA INSPIRE EVENT**



**Preparing for a Winning Interview** 

**Entry** Students learn nine tips to ace a job interview.



**Answering Difficult Questions** 

Intermediate

Students learn how to answer some of the toughest interview questions and find out which questions interviewers are not allowed to ask.

### **SESSION SEVEN: JA INSPIRE PERSONAL REFLECTION**



### Strategic Planning Decision Making

#### Entry

Students learn about JA, PACED, and Weighted Decision-Making tools and when to use each one.



#### **Crafting Your Resume**

Entry

Students learn how to recognize key features of a resume and explore resume formatting options.



# **Build a Strong Work Ethic**

#### Intermediate

Students learn to identify features that demonstrate a strong work ethic and identify ways an individual can go "beyond expectations" in a variety of scenarios.