

## **JA Finance Park Visit Information Teacher Pre-Visit Checklist**

**Directions:** As you complete each of the tasks below, please place a check mark on the corresponding line. Timely completion of these tasks will ensure a smooth JA Finance Park visit for your students. If you have questions or concerns, contact Nina Lilly by phone at (269)414-0957 or by email at nina.lilley@ja.org.

 Receive JA Finance Park materials and watch educator training video.
 Arrange transportation for the JA Finance Park visit. Berrien Youth Fair Grounds
9122 US HWY 31 Berrien Springs, MI 49103
Before beginning to teach, gather support materials to be used in the classroom.
 Begin <i>JA Fin</i> ance Park instruction (see pages 12 and 13 of Getting Started tab in <i>JA Finance Park</i> Teacher Guide for sample Lesson Implementations). Be sure to allow sufficient time for instruction of required lessons plus extension activities.
Send Parent Letters home with students beginning one week prior to start of curriculum. (See pages 4, 5 and 7 of Visit Information Tab and pages 4 and 5 of Volunteer Information tab in <i>JA Finance Park</i> Teacher Guide.)
Recruit volunteers early! You will need a <a href="minimum">minimum</a> of one adult per 10 students. We <a href="minimum">strongly</a> recommend one adult for every 5 students if possible. Teachers teaching the <a href="minimum">JA Finance Park</a> materials should not be assigned to a student group but should be free to troubleshoot and help students in need of assistance. <a href="minimum">In addition to the letter sent home, a note in the school newsletter or mention at an open house might helpful in recruiting volunteers.</a>
 _ Send home a follow-up letter to those who will volunteer on the visit date. Stress to volunteers the importance of arriving at the JA Finance Park facility 30 minutes early on the morning of the student visit for a more detailed training.
_E-mail (nina.lilley@ja.org) the <i>JA Finance Park</i> Group Assignment Form (Visit Information Tab) at least <b>5 days</b> prior to the visit. Please be sure each group is assigned a volunteer.
 Remind students to bring a sack lunch and a drink the day of the visit
 _*Each student must know their group number before arrival at <i>JA Finance Park</i> . This greatly facilitates the dismissal of students into their business at the beginning of the day.
 Each student should wear a name tag to <i>JA Finance Park</i> . The student name and group number should be included on the name tag.

