

JA Job Shadow®

JA Job Shadow meets the needs of a diverse group of 8th-12th grade students by providing engaging, academically enriching, and experiential learning sessions in work-readiness education and career perspectives. Two pre-visit and one post-visit required, teacher-led sessions.

The key learning objectives listed beside each session state the skills and knowledge students will gain.

<p>Session One: Perfect Match Working in groups, students conduct mock interviews. They are introduced to the 16 Success Skills and the Job Shadow experience.</p>	<p>Key Learning Objectives Students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Identify and evaluate skills based on personal experiences. ▪ Demonstrate effective interviewing skills.
<p>Session Two: Now What? Individually, the students prepare a resume and complete the paperwork necessary for the upcoming Job Shadow site visit.</p>	<p>Key Learning Objectives Students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Prepare an individual resume. ▪ Evaluate work-readiness skills.
<p>Session Three: Looking Back Students use the work-readiness skill Reflect and Evaluate to complete a personal action plan.</p>	<p>Key Learning Objectives Students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Evaluate their personal progress. ▪ Prepare a business thank-you note.

JA Job Shadow enhances students' learning of the following concepts and skills:

Concepts–Career cluster, Interests, Interview, Reflect and evaluate, Resume, Skill, Work-readiness skills

Skills– Analyzing and interpreting information, Brainstorming, Critical thinking, Goal-setting, Oral and written communication, Public speaking, Self-assessment, Working in groups

JA Job Shadow is a 3 session course, plus a Job Shadow site visit and is recommended for students in grades 8-12. Instructional materials are downloadable and include detailed activity plans for the site-coordinator, students, and teacher.

All JA programs are designed to support the skills and competencies identified by the Partnership for 21st Century Skills. These programs also augment school-based, work-based, and connecting activities for communities with school-to-work initiatives.