

LEARNING EXPERIENCE BRIEF

JA Finance Park[®] Advanced Virtual



■ Financial Literacy

JA Finance Park helps participants build a foundation upon which they can make intelligent financial decisions that last a lifetime, including decisions related to income, expenses, savings, and credit. The learning experience comprises several teacher-led, in-class lessons and a variety of optional, extension activities. The experience culminates in a hands-on, online budgeting simulation that is supported by volunteers.

The *JA Finance Park* Virtual simulation has been fully redeveloped, with a brand-new Advanced experience geared towards teens and young adults and/or those with prior personal finance knowledge.

The Advanced experience has a primary focus of the JA Financial Literacy Pathway and a secondary focus of the Work and Career Readiness Pathway and can be used in Grades 9–12 and post-high school. The learning experience may receive 12 or more ICH based on delivery of the optional content; the learning experience is primarily teacher-led but requires volunteers.

ADVANCED VIRTUAL SIMULATION HIGHLIGHTS

- Choose their own “adult adventure” by selecting their persona based on career and education choices.
- Deep dive into financial consequences of life choices and decisions impacting long-term goals.
- Navigate financial decisions through various life stages and budget beyond one month.

SAMPLE SIMULATION ACTIVITIES

In the new Advanced Level Virtual simulation, participants will:

- Select their own avatar and interests.
- Review information about career clusters to select their career path and education.
- Set up to three savings goals for future items such as homeownership or dream car.

VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT

- Flexible options to participate virtually:
 - Deliver activities using tailored volunteer guides, or assist with curriculum sessions.
 - Assist and support participants during the simulation.
- Minimum of 3 hours required