



AT A GLANCE

- Principal: Ms. Jennifer Bellinger
- Capacity: 600 students
- Average class size: 25
- A “full immersion” curriculum that mixes leadership, business and academic concepts and promotes the principles of free enterprise
- Hands-on experiences such as job shadowing, internships, volunteer opportunities, field trips and guest lectures
- Mentoring and networking through JA’s vast network of business supporters
- College credit through dual enrollment and Advanced Placement courses
- State-of-the-art facility and learning technology, including a laptop for each student
- Teachers with real-world business experience and advanced degrees in business, economics, etc.

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JA Academy for Leadership & Entrepreneurship

INTEGRATED CURRICULUM

Students at the JA Academy have the advantage of learning a variety of practical entrepreneurial and leadership concepts, which are integrated into every aspect of our rigorous academic curriculum. This exclusive “full immersion” experience inspires students to think about each of their courses — from math to history to science and technology to language arts — in terms of the subjects’ business applications in a free enterprise system.

REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCES

Through hands-on, interactive experiences such as internships, mentorships, guest lectures and field trips, students of the JA Academy gain firsthand knowledge of the skills necessary for success in the world of entrepreneurship. These extraordinary opportunities are available to students through Junior Achievement’s business connections, which range from global corporations to small businesses making an impact at the local level.

Students also have the chance to give back to their communities by volunteering with JA and other local community service organizations.

QUALIFIED INSTRUCTORS

The JA Academy’s knowledgeable, skilled instructors offer an impressive array of business and leadership experience. Our teachers help students appreciate the relevance and purpose of their academic coursework through their business backgrounds, anecdotes and wisdom. Our staff is supported by both an assistant principal and a full-time program director, ensuring the support and resources necessary to create meaningful instruction for our students.

SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE

The JA Academy is committed to connecting our achievers to the limitless career and leadership options available to them to support a market economy. Students can tap into JA’s renowned career exploration programs and take advantage of our counselors’ personalized assistance. Guidance with college and scholarship applications also is available.

OPEN AND ACCESSIBLE

The JA Academy is open to all ninth-grade Orange County students, and transportation is available. Potential students must meet requirements including a minimum GPA of 2.5 for incoming 9th graders or a GPA of 3.0 for incoming 10th graders, evidence of leadership and entrepreneurship skills, and compliance with the JA Academy Code of Conduct and Standards.





GUIDANCE COUNSELORS

To apply, students must visit:

www.schoolchoice.ocps.net



An Innovative Magnet High School for Future Leaders

JA ACADEMY FOR LEADERSHIP & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

If you know a student who would thrive in an entrepreneurial and rigorous high school, consider recommending the JA Academy for Leadership & Entrepreneurship.

This exciting magnet high school, founded and directed by Junior Achievement of Central Florida and Orange County Public Schools, is on the campus of the new Oak Ridge High School.

- The JA Academy features a “full immersion” curriculum that integrates leadership and business concepts into every aspect of learning while supporting the free enterprise system
- And with hands-on activities such as internships, job shadowing, field trips, mentoring and volunteering – students are engaged and enlightened by their experiences with Central Florida’s top business and community leaders
- Students also benefit from learning in a new, state-of-the-art facility with cutting-edge technology, including a laptop for each student
- And college credits are available through dual enrollment and Advanced Placement courses

GUIDE YOUR STUDENTS TOWARD A BRIGHT FUTURE!

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STUDENTS

"The JA Academy is for people who are passionate about what they believe in and are willing to work for a better tomorrow. This program was made for me, and I think it will be an excellent choice for my future."

— Nicholas Ruocco
JA Academy student, Class of 2016

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Realize Your Potential... Prepare for Your Success

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Whether you excel in your studies, lead your peers through student groups and clubs, serve your community or have bright ideas for the future ... you are an achiever. And you'll feel right at home at the JA Academy for Leadership & Entrepreneurship. Our courses are designed to connect you to Central Florida's top leaders and entrepreneurs, stimulate your imagination and prepare you for a successful future in our market economy.

- At the JA Academy, our "full immersion" approach to learning integrates leadership and business concepts into each academic course and promotes the principles of free enterprise
- The curriculum is based on hands-on experiences — from internships and job shadowing to field trips and executive guest lectures
- You'll experience firsthand the real world of business and entrepreneurship, with a variety of networking opportunities and individual business mentors and community leaders
- Located at the state-of-the-art campus of Oak Ridge High School, the JA Academy features the latest in learning technology, including a laptop for each student

Founded and directed by Junior Achievement of Central Florida and Orange County Public Schools, the school offers college credit through dual enrollment and Advanced Placement courses, scholarship and college application assistance, and career counseling.

THE RIGHT CHOICE FOR YOUR FUTURE

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MENTORS

"The JA Academy is yet another example of Junior Achievement's commitment to empowering young people to take control of their economic success. I'm extremely excited about our new Academy and the tremendous opportunities for our students. After all, economic uncertainty and increasing global competition in recent years make it the right time to prepare our students to become more entrepreneurial-minded, while enhancing their ability to think and reason more rationally. The JA Academy produces American leaders equipped to make an impact!"

— Charles Wright
Managing Principal,
Freeman Commercial Lending
JA Academy Advisory Board Member

**Volunteer to mentor a
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Share Your Expertise with Tomorrow's Leaders

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What do you have in common with a high school student? More than you might think. The students at the JA Academy for Leadership & Entrepreneurship are hard-working, community-minded leaders. And, like you, they have a vision for the future.

As a mentor, you can help students at the JA Academy realize their potential and achieve their goals by sharing your time and professional experience. Because the school's curriculum is based on real-world experiences, you have a distinct opportunity to help students make the connection between their studies and the skills necessary for future success.

This innovative magnet high school, founded and directed by Junior Achievement of Central Florida and Orange County Public Schools, features an innovative, "full immersion" curriculum that integrates leadership and business concepts into every aspect of learning while promoting the free enterprise system.

GUIDING STUDENTS ON THE PATH TO SUCCESS

At JA, we offer flexible scheduling options that make it easy for you to volunteer your time and build positive relationships with our students. And, with hands-on experiences such as internships, job shadowing, field trips, volunteering and guest lectures, students are engaged and excited about their school work.





DONORS

"JA is dedicated to giving students the skills they need to compete in today's global economy. And when Central Florida's youth succeed, our community benefits from a strong, well-educated workforce and engaged citizens."

— Richard T. Crotty
Mayor of Orange County (2001-2011)
Oak Ridge High School graduate

"As a graduate of Oak Ridge High School, I'm delighted that JA has invested in my alma mater with its signature enthusiasm for our community's young people and dedication to the principles of the free enterprise system,"

— Glenda E. Hood
Mayor of Orlando (1992–2003)
Florida Secretary of State of Florida
(2003–2005)
Oak Ridge High School graduate

Make your contribution today!

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Your Opportunity to Support Our Future Leaders

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At Junior Achievement of Central Florida, we help students make the connection between education and their dreams for tomorrow. We have taken that mission a step further with the JA Academy for Leadership & Entrepreneurship at Oak Ridge High School.

Our "full immersion" curriculum mixes leadership, business, and academic concepts and promotes the **principles of free enterprise**.

Through this innovative magnet high school, we're investing in our children's dreams ... as well as Central Florida's future business and community leaders ... and America's free enterprise system. We invite you to join us as an investor in the JA Academy. Together, we can change lives.

Now is the time to showcase your organization's philanthropic vision by sponsoring a classroom, hallway or program at the JA Academy. You'll help secure the future of our youth by encouraging students to become prepared, educated and impactful community members.

Your donations will help change the lives of Orange County's brightest students through training in financial literacy, career readiness and entrepreneurship. Rest assured that your donation will be used responsibly to fund programs that enlighten students about these three pillars of JA's free enterprise philosophy. Your gift to the Student Scholarship Fund sponsors a student for four years and can be paid in one year or up to four years, but we encourage and appreciate your most generous gift.

After four years, our first graduating class had over \$4,000,000 in scholarships and 84% of them were accepted in college or will be pursuing a career in the military. 18 of the top 20 Oak Ridge High School 2016 graduates were Academy students including the Valedictorian. These accomplishments are amazing and can only continue to grow with your donation.





PARENTS

"I'm excited that my son is attending the JA Academy magnet school because he has the opportunity to interact with business leaders in our community that will enhance the business and life skills that he will be learning at the Academy. They have an interactive classroom structure and college campus-like feel, which will also prepare him for college life."

— Anita Green
Parent of a JA Academy student

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Preparing Students for a Successful Future

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When it comes to their children's education, the parents of high-achieving students are looking for hands-on experiences, relevance and quality. At the JA Academy for Leadership & Entrepreneurship, our curriculum is designed to meet these expectations, with challenging, engaging studies and a variety of real-world opportunities.

Founded and directed by Junior Achievement of Central Florida and Orange County Public Schools, the JA Academy is open to students throughout Orange County who demonstrate academic and leadership aptitude. For these exceptional students, our high school offers:

- A true "full immersion" experience with curriculum that mixes leadership, business, and academic concepts and promotes the principles of free enterprise
- Job shadowing, internships, field trips and executive guest lectures that offer a connection to the real-world of entrepreneurship
- Networking with business and community leaders, including mentors
- College credit through dual enrollment and Advanced Placement courses
- State-of-the-art facility and learning technology, including a laptop for each student

Our knowledgeable, experienced teachers and staff are dedicated to opening students' minds to the endless career and leadership options available to them in our free enterprise system. We will be there to help guide them through the scholarship and college application processes, and to offer career counseling.

THE RIGHT SCHOOL FOR YOUR BRIGHT STUDENT

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