Junior Achievement FAQ

What's changing about Junior Achievement SW WA OR?

 Junior Achievement is <u>opening a new location</u> at the Hillsboro Civic Center. The Hillsboro Discovery Center will be open for BizTown and Finance Park programs in the 23-24 school year! Please see the visual overview of the new space!

When does registration open?

Registration will open at the end of April for the 23-24 SY.

What is BizTown?

- Here is the link to JA Biztown overview.
- Here's a video showing the student experience.

Do teachers have to implement lessons with their class?

- Yes, 12 lessons are required to be completed before students attend the simulation.
- These lessons are aligned to <u>state standards</u> (linked). Our team at NWRESD is committed to supporting teachers in lesson preparation and delivery.

Is there teacher training?

 Teachers are also required to complete a 1-2 hour training and we are planning virtual and in person options.

What is Finance Park?

- <u>Finance Park</u> is the high school program of Junior Achievement and here are some quick details for you:
 - Teachers get 13 lessons: 12 are to be taught before the field trip simulation day, 1 is to be taught as a debrief after the simulation day
 - The teacher would get the curriculum in paper and digital copies
 - Here's an overview of the Finance Park curriculum as a whole and how the simulation fits in with the lessons: Finance Park Program Brief
 - Here's a more detailed explanation of the 13 lessons: Finance Park Program Overviews
- Finance Park Simulation Day

How do we use service credits?

- Our team has been communicating with superintendents and principals regarding this new location and the option for NWRESD schools to use <u>ESD service credits</u> to fund this program. Please check with your principal or superintendent for more information on this.
- Schools can select Junior Achievement programs as a service credit option in their district LSP
 - Please check with your Principal or Superintendent

<u>NWRESD Career & College Readiness Team</u> is supporting Junior Achievement in this endeavor. We know you have been involved in JA in the past and we are excited to partner with your school in transitioning to this new location.

The registration link to sign up for spots in the 23-24SY is set to go live the last week in April. Please subscribe to the NWRESD Junior Achievement Newsletter for updates.