



AVON HIGH SCHOOL JAG PROGRAM

Recruitment for 2021-2022 School Year

WHAT IS JAG?

JAG is a class to help prepare juniors and seniors for life after graduation. Our mission is to help students develop and apply a post-graduate plan, as well as give them an *advantage* over their peers by providing unique opportunities to develop and expand leadership and work experiences. JAG students have the opportunity to set themselves apart by planning and implementing student-led projects, competing in competitions, and networking with students and stakeholders, all while gaining the skills necessary to be confident and competitive while taking that next step after graduation. Topics such as taxes, insurance, budgeting, and rent/mortgage are also covered.

JAG is a for-credit class consisting of field trips (possibly in the future), guest speakers, competitions, project planning, leadership, character and team building experiences as well as networking and job opportunities. *Students must be accepted into the program.*

What can I Get from Joining the JAG Program?

- **Opportunity to discover what you'd like to do as a career**
- **Learn directly from area business owners and leaders**
- **Compete in state and regional competitions**
- **Explore colleges and trade schools**
- **Learn and develop skills and experiences that set you apart from your peers**
- **Gain leadership skills**
- **Plan and work on projects that matter to you and your community**
- **Sharpen interview, résumé, and presentation skills**
- **Explore taxes, insurance, mortgage/rent and other adult responsibilities**
- **More activities, accomplishments, skills, and experiences to add to your résumé, scholarship application, etc.**

Key Components of Avon JAG:

- **Service Learning Projects.** All are planned and implemented by the students.
- **Guest Speakers.** Students can connect with people in their field of interest, as well as gain information about trades, the military, and post-secondary options.
- **Competitions.** These opportunities are great résumé and workplace skill builders.
- **Leadership Skills.** Students can hold office in our JAG Career Association.
- **Career Exploration:** Students are required to complete a career exploration project. **NOTE: JAG checks box 2 of Graduation Pathways.**
- **One year of Mentorship after Graduation.** Students check in with their JAG Specialist every month for a year after graduation to assist with anything the student may need.

Can Anyone Be in JAG?

Yes and No. In order to be in JAG you do have to meet the following requirements:

- **Be in good credit standing.** You cannot be behind in academic credits.
- **Be committed to trying new experiences.** In order to learn and grow, you must be willing to actively participate in projects and activities.
- **Be someone whom your counselor and Mrs. Abramson (the current JAG teacher) feels will be a good fit for the program.**

You may be invited to attend a call out meeting and/or shadow a class to learn more about the program and how it works. We are looking to add 25+ current sophomores to the program for next year.

How Do I Add JAG to My Schedule for Next Year?

JAG will not be an option on PowerSchool when you make your schedule for next year. You must notify your counselor or Mrs. Abramson on Schoology to indicate that you are interested in being in the JAG program next year.

Keep in mind that everyone who expresses interest is not necessarily going to be accepted into the program.



JAG on Social Media

To get an idea of what we do, find Avon JAG on Instagram and Facebook.