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What are the benefits of enrolling in 3DE?

Students will connect with at least 17 different industry partners throughout their four-year experience. These partners help students develop real-world skills and have unique experiences. In addition to the high-level experiences and skills students will receive, many opportunities exist such as, but not limited to:

- Post-graduation regional and national career networks
- College credits
- Scholarship opportunities
- Internship opportunities

Ultimately, we want our students to have the tools to be financially successful and economically mobile.

What are some of the specific experiences my student will have in 3DE?

- Building collaborative solutions and presentations that solve real-world problems.
- Field trips to local businesses.
- Competition both on a national and regional level.
- Developing their own business and business plan and displaying it at a pitch event, market expo, and possibly at Raymond James Innovators showcase.
- Consulting a local business or organization on specific errors.
- Attending and planning coaching sessions and professional meetings.
- Attending Junior Achievement's College and Career Summit
- Leadership opportunities through attending school or Junior Achievement related events.
- And the experiences continue.

Is 3DE part of the District Application Program?

No 3DE is not part of the DAP. Therefore, students need to be enrolled at the school prior to joining 3DE. However, depending on your students situation they could be in a DAP program and be enroll in 3DE. For more information on enrollment, please contact the school front office.

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Is 3DE a program?

Some people refer to 3DE as a four-year program at our school. Some refer to it as a business or entrepreneurship program. Entrepreneurship and business are highly experienced in 3DE, however, we consider ourselves a learning model for developing competency-based skills through real-life experiences that students will need in any industry. The idea is that competency education can be taught in any subject, not just business.

Is 3DE a class?

The majority of 3DE curriculum is delivered during school hours and can be run through any course. Currently, in Pinellas County is operated out of business education courses. All 3DE students are scheduled into ONE elective business course in their schedule each year, which serves as the "3DE Launch Class."

What is student cohorting?

Our administration and guidance make the best effort to group our 3DE students together in their content classes (Math, ELA, Social Studies, and Science). This allows our students to build a community of support with each other as well as the cohort teachers. Additionally, these cohort teachers meet together in a specific 3DE Professional Learning Community to support their instruction and students.

How can I support my student once they are enrolled in 3DE?

Share your own personal work experiences and validate the work they do in 3DE as being significant for their future. Additionally, we are always looking for partnership and volunteers. Please visit JA of Tampa Bay for more information.

Is there a difference between 3DE and Junior Achievement of Tampa Bay?

3DE is a high school model implemented by Junior Achievement of Tampa Bay. Each school will have assistance from Junior Achievement of Tampa Bay staff, such as a 3DE Implementation Director, 3DE Case Experience Director, and a JATB partnership of engagement team. This team along with the school staff make the vision of 3DE work.

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What are 3DE Competencies?

Competencies are the specific skillsets that Junior Achievement and our national & regional business partners have determined are needed in nearly all industries to be successful. All our learning and experiences are based in these developed competencies. The competences are Self-Direction, Critical & Analytical Thinking, Effective Collaboration, Engaging Communication, Creativity & Innovation, and Cultural Agility. Each year we focus on each of these competencies by developing a specific associated behavior.

Can my student still take AP and advanced courses while in 3DE?

Yes, 3DE only uses one elective period, and all other courses can be determined with your guidance counselor. This allows an opportunity to take part in other electives, other programs of interest, and AP/Advance courses.