

## Community Information & Volunteer Centre

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## Junior Achievement provides opportunities for volunteers

Are you looking for an exciting opportunity to network with other business professionals? Perhaps you want to sharpen your public speaking and presentation skills.

Do you want a specific opportunity to give back to your community? What about your resume? Does it need local business references?

These are only some benefits from volunteering with Junior Achievement. We are currently looking for volunteers to deliver our Business Program Economics for Success to grade 9 students at three local schools.

On January 27th, four volunteers are needed at George Elliott Secondary School. Eleven volunteers will present on February 15th at Rutland Middle School. Spring Valley Middle School will involve eight volunteers on February 23rd.

Economics For Success demonstrates personal and financial benefits of education to grade 9 students. Through activities and discussions, volunteers reinforce the value of education and skills necessary to achieve goals.

Themes include: goal-setting, keys to success, budgeting, skill identification, job applications with mock interviews, and career/education self exploration. This is a fun and very interactive program. All materials and games are provided.

Economics for Success is delivered at individual schools as a one day program between 9am and 3pm. Coffee, snacks, and lunch are provided.

An orientation is held for volunteers prior to program dates. Volunteers will be in a classroom with a maximum of 30 grade 9 students. Volunteers can chose to work in pairs, or take on a class of their own. A teacher is always present.

Junior Achievement provides Economics For Success at no cost to the school. We invite you to volunteer for this worthwhile program. Let their success be your inspiration.

For more information, contact Darlene Brule, Okanagan Program Manager, by phone at 250.808.0332 or email darlene.brule@jabc.org.

For other volunteer opportunities or to create your own volunteer profile, go to www.kcr.ca, Volunteer Opportunities Search.

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