

JA Future Laureate Scholarship

Junior Achievement of Central Virginia awards an unspecified number of \$2,500 scholarships to deserving high school students. Please see below for details, deadlines, and instructions. Please note, all applicants are required to have participated in Junior Achievement of Central Virginia programs.

This competition is open to students in the graduating classes of 2023 and 2024 who have participated in at least one JA of Central Virginia program since September 3, 2020.

This year's video prompt:

JA programs focus on financial literacy, work readiness, and entrepreneurship.

- ***How has your participation in a JA program affected how you think about one or more of these topics?***
- ***How has it affected how you think about your future?***

Please include concrete examples of changed behavior or mindset where possible and address both questions. ([Link to Rubric](#))

[Click here to access the scholarship application.](#)

See all rules and regulations below.

Applications will be accepted through 11:59, June 10, 2022.

Winners will be posted once individually notified.

Rules:

1. Application and Video

- Application must be completed. Applicants may only submit one entry per school year.
- Videos will be judged on the criteria listed in [this rubric](#).
- Videos must be the original work of the applicant. Videos must not contain material that infringes on the intellectual property rights of others. Any applicant who violates these rules will be disqualified and any awards made for such will be rescinded and must be returned to Junior Achievement.
- Junior Achievement will collect personally identifiable information about applicants as part of the application process. This information will be used to contact applicants in connection with the competition and in announcements, events, and press releases related to the competition and will be provided only to parties related to Junior Achievement of Central Virginia ("Junior Achievement"), and the applicant's school and legal guardians. No personally identifiable information about the applicants other than their video will be revealed to any member of the judging committee during the judging process.

2. Awards

- The winning applicant(s) will be determined by a judging committee selected by Junior Achievement.
- **Applicants may be asked to participate in an in-person interview with Junior Achievement staff and/or judging committee members.**
- An unspecified number of applicants will be chosen to receive a \$2,500 scholarship each.
- The scholarship must be applied to higher education expenses.
- The winner(s) must be available to attend the 2021 Junior Achievement Greater Richmond Business Hall of Fame on Thursday, May 5, 2022 unless notified of award after this event. At this event, the winner(s) will present an award to laureate honorees and speak to the audience of 300+ attendees. This may be a virtual event. Winners' application videos will be published on the JA website and may be used in marketing on social media, print and radio/TV.
- Winner(s) will be individually notified prior to public announcement in spring 2022.

3. Who May Enter

- Applicant must have participated in one or more Junior Achievement of Central Virginia programs since September 3, 2020. This would mean the applicant participated as a 9th or 10th grader during all of last school year or as an 11th grader up to the application deadline of June 10, 2022. Programs in which the applicant may have participated include: *JA Finance Park, JA Job Shadow, JA Excellence through Ethics, JA Start Up* (competition), *JA Be Entrepreneurial, JA Career Success, JA Career Speakers*, and/or *JA High School Heroes*.
- Applicant must be a student enrolled in the 10th or 11th grade at a high school or home school program in Junior Achievement of Central Virginia's Franchised Region on the date on which he or she submits a conforming essay and application. Junior Achievement of Central Virginia's Franchised Region comprises the following counties and cities:
 - **Albemarle, Amelia, Augusta, Buckingham, Caroline, Charles City, Charlotte, Charlottesville, Chesterfield, Colonial Heights, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Fluvanna, Goochland, Greene, Halifax, Hanover, Henrico, Hopewell, Louisa, Nelson, New Kent, Nottoway, Orange, Petersburg, Powhatan, Prince Edward, Prince George, City of Richmond, Rockingham, Shenandoah, Staunton, Waynesboro**
- Applicant must be a citizen or legal resident of the United States.
- Immediate family members of judging committee members are ineligible for this essay competition. Immediate family members of employees of Junior Achievement, the Board of Directors of Junior Achievement, the Young Professionals Board of Junior Achievement, the Educational Advisory Board of Junior Achievement and the Advisory Board of Junior Achievement are also ineligible.
- Grand Prize winners from any prior Junior Achievement JA Future Laureate competition are ineligible for this competition.
- Any applicant who has been previously disqualified from a Junior Achievement competition is ineligible for this competition.
- Each applicant may enter only once and may only provide one application.

4. How to Enter

- Applicants must submit their applications to Junior Achievement between January 10, 2022 – June 10, 2022. Applications received by Junior Achievement after 11:59 p.m. on June 10, 2022 will not qualify and will not be considered.
- Applicants must submit an application form via the link found on the JAtoday.org website. Applications submitted by mail, courier, fax, or any means other than the competition's website will not qualify and will not be considered.
- Applications submitted incomplete or by an applicant who does not meet the qualifications of the competition will not qualify and will not be considered for any award.
- Junior Achievement of Central Virginia is the official timekeeper of the event.

5. Conditions for Participation

- All submitted application responses become the exclusive intellectual property of Junior Achievement, and Junior Achievement obtains all rights to use and republish all or any part of such videos upon submission to our website.
- Junior Achievement may use prizewinners' names, likeness, and other identifying information (such as hometown, school, or grade) in promotional materials relating to this competition.
- Winners (or their parents or guardians) will be required to sign an affidavit of eligibility, originality, and compliance with the official rules, a liability release, and a publicity release as a condition to receiving their scholarship.
- Winners will be required to have an educator, guidance counselor, or other official at their school or home school program in the Franchised Region submit verification of the winner's school enrollment in the Franchised Region on the date of submission.
- Winners will be required to provide written evidence from an institution of higher education confirming their intent to matriculate to that institution as a condition to receiving their scholarship.
- Winners will be required to affirm that the scholarship will be used solely for paying expenses incurred as part of attending an institution of higher education as a condition to receiving their scholarship.
- All taxes shall be the responsibility of the winners of the competition. Winners will be required to submit a completed IRS Form W-9 to Junior Achievement as a condition to receiving their scholarship.
- The scholarship will be disbursed to each winner in June of the calendar year that the winner will matriculate to the verified institution of higher education.

- **Each student winner must remain enrolled in a school within the JACV footprint until April 15, 2023 in order to be eligible to receive the scholarship in June of their final year of high school.**
- Scholarship must be used within one year of high school graduation.
- By submitting an application to Junior Achievement, the applicant agrees to all of the terms and conditions set forth in these Official Rules and on Junior Achievement's website governing the 2022 JA Future Laureate Competition.

6. Miscellaneous

- No application will be given preference over any other essay on the basis of an applicant's name, school, gender, race, ethnicity, geographic origin, or any legally protected status.
- Applicant acknowledges that Junior Achievement shall have no liability of any kind as a result of any errors or omissions in the administration of this competition, or any network or website errors or incompatibilities, and by entering this competition applicant releases any and all claims applicant may have against Junior Achievement in this regard.
- No applications will be returned to applicants.
- No notice will be given to applicants with non-winning or non-conforming essays or applications.
- Junior Achievement of Central Virginia will adhere to its [privacy policy](#).
- Junior Achievement of Central Virginia has the right to modify this contest for situations that may be out of its control.

For more information or if you have any questions, contact [Cynthia Pantaleo](#).