



**Junior
Achievement™**
of the High Plains

2024-2025 Year In Review

**In 2024-2025
JAHP reached over:**

6,773 Students



**13 School Districts
69 schools
218 classrooms**



507

Volunteers

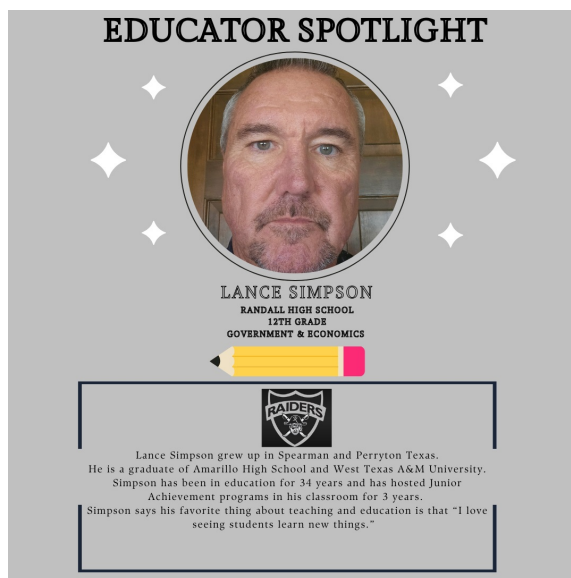
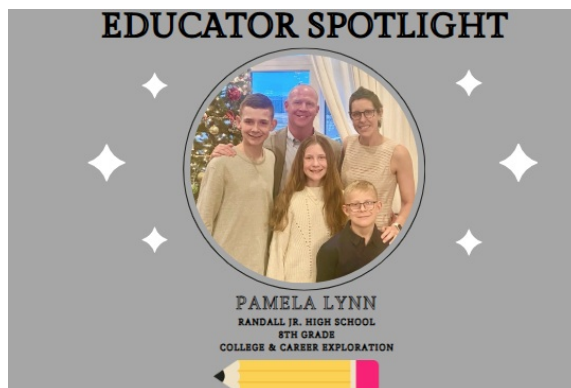


3,226 hours of programs in the classroom



In partnership with **Brick & Elm**, the inaugural **18 Under 18** was held in March. From **68** nominations, 18 students were selected, representing **Amarillo High, Bushland High, Canyon High, Caprock High, Gruver High,**

JAHF Teacher Spotlight 2024-2025



EDUCATOR SPOTLIGHT



PAIGE LOMBARD
CANYON JR. HIGH SCHOOL
8TH GRADE
COLLEGE & CAREER EXPLORATION



Paige Lombard is from Comanche, TX. She is a graduate of Angelo State University in San Angelo, TX. She has been in education for 15 years and has hosted JA programs in her classroom for 2 years. Her favorite thing about hosting JA is - "The real world- connection and interest that my students have with the curriculum and materials. Many of them are excited about high school and the possibility of a first job. This program helps educate them about what potential employers are looking for and how to be successful as they enter the workforce. My favorite thing about being a teacher is the connection and relationship you have the opportunity to build with your students. Seeing past students in my everyday life bring me such joy. I see it as a true blessing to make an impact in my students lives as they have had in mine."

JA High Plains at the Sod Poodles

It was JAHP night at the **Hodgetown** this past August. Did you catch us there as the **spotlight non-profit**? Our board members greeted spectators and discussed the **mission** of Junior Achievement while our Executive Director gave an on field interview and threw out the first **pitch**.

Go Sod Poodles!



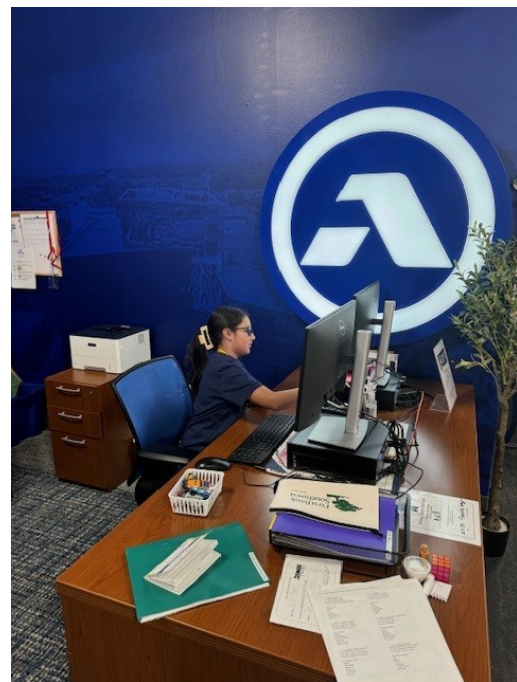
575 Pizzeria at Civic Circle highlighted JAHP the first week of **December** in their 52 Weeks of Giving Campaign. Board and staff enjoyed delicious pizza while helping contribute proceeds back to JA!



JA BizTown had a *record* year!



3,346 students were citizens in **42 JA BizTown** simulations representing **51 classes** from **10 school districts**





We want to take a moment and say a big **THANK YOU** to everyone who has generously sponsored Junior Achievement of the High Plains. We appreciate each of you!

Check out our amazing sponsors!

JA of the High Plains Hosts 2nd Annual Taste of Achievement

JA of the High Plains hosted the 2nd annual Taste of Achievement fundraising event at the end of April. This event consisted of **five** local and well-known members of the community who participated as Celebrity Bartenders. The bartenders created a signature

JA BizTown Mayors honored in City of Amarillo Chambers



cocktail and competed for votes to raise money and share their experience and love for JAHP. It was a fun-filled evening with **Chris Reed** and **Damion Williams** named **Champion Bartenders**. This event helped raise over **\$43,000**.



May brought the mayors of this year's JA BizTown simulations to the City of Amarillo's council chambers to sit at the dais, bang the gavel, and hear from our City's mayor, **Cole Stanley**. Mayors were asked to submit an essay detailing why our rights as citizens are important. Winner of the essay contest represented **Western Plateau** and was able to read her essay from the Mayor's seat.

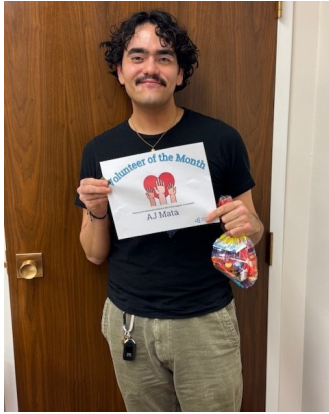
Taco Bell Foundation Community Grant Recipient



JA of the High Plains is incredibly grateful for the generous grant we received from **The Taco Bell Foundation**. This support will help us empower even more young people at **Caprock** High School and **Palo Duro** High School to achieve their dreams by providing them with the financial literacy, entrepreneurship, and workplace readiness skills they need to succeed. We are so thankful for The Taco Bell Foundation and their support in teaching financial literacy to our future entrepreneurs.

JA Volunteers of the Month





Your impact is immeasurable! JAHP wouldn't be who we are without our volunteers!

Staff Fun!





Monster Bowl 2024 Success



Monster Bowl was a huge success! A total number of **42 teams** participated. A grand total of \$37,000 was raised. These funds will be used to educate and provide JA programs for **5,500 students** across the Texas Panhandle. JAHP would like to say a huge thank you to all of our local companies and sponsors who bowled with us.



Are you interested in **volunteering**? You can help us make a positive impact on the lives of students and experience the joy of helping others, gaining new skills, and connecting with your community.

For more information about volunteering contact
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