

Fall Newsletter 2024

JA of the High Plains Partners with Maverick Club



This summer JA of the High Plains partnered with the local Maverick Boys & Girls Club of Amarillo for the first-ever summer programs held in Amarillo. For 5 weeks during June and July, volunteers taught 5 different curriculums to students ranging in age from 5-13+. These programs were volunteer-led by various community members and JAHP was very fortunate to have had 11 committed volunteers eager to teach and mentor local youth. Over 255 students were impacted this summer and we are looking forward to more summer programs and partnerships in the future.









We're excited to announce that Joan Bogan has joined our team as JA BizTown Capstone Assistant. Joan said, "Having had daughter who а participated in JA BizTown's experiential world, real simulation, I have seen firsthand the gratification and enthusiasm this experience provides students. am delighted to be apart of this

JA at Hodgetown



Did you hear? JA of the High Plains was the **Charity Spotlight** at The **Amarillo Sod Poodle's baseball** game on August 8th. Executive Director, **Kasey Long** was given the honor of throwing the first pitch. She also gave a **pregame interview** and shared Junior Achievement's **mission**. experience going forward for so many more students." Joan has a background in education and will be a valuable asset to our JA of the High Plains team. We are very happy to have her as a new addition to our staff.

Welcome Joan!



As Summer Breaks Ends Back to School Begins



As teachers and students return to the classroom, JA of the High Plains **traditional programs** will also return this Fall! **Traditional programs** begin the first week of **October** and run until early **November**. The new school year will provide great opportunities for new and returning volunteers throughout the Texas Panhandle. If you are **interested in volunteering** with JA of the High Plains this school year, please see how to below.

Volunteer. Impact. Mentor. Inspire.



Are you interested in **volunteering**? You can help 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 Rayven Travis: rtravis@jahighplains.org





JA BizTown Prepares for School Year

JA BizTown has had a productive summer! Our team conducted a **teacher training session** for area educators to ensure a smooth start to this year's student **simulations.** Teachers and staff focused on **learning** and **reviewing** t h e **curriculum**. JA BizTown is excited to welcome **six** different **school districts** and **41 schools** for the upcoming simulations, which will begin on **October 8th**.

JA of the High Plains recently **moved** office locations after calling **Happy State Bank**home for the past 13 years. We are now located on the 5th floor of **Herring Bank** on Civic Circle. Stop in and say hi!



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