

## **JA Access Your Future**

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADE LEVELS: 9-12** 

JA Access Your Future is an app that helps teens, their parents and teachers break down the cost of achieving young people's career goals into real, easy-to-understand numbers. Created jointly by Junior Achievement USA and PwC, JA Access Your Future helps teens explore potential future income from a desired career and evaluate the cost of post-secondary education to help them make informed decisions.

In *JA Access Your Future*, teens can assess more than 100 careers, see what levels of education are required, then calculate the cost of education. Teens can then adjust the level of money they and their parents may contribute, combined with student loans they may need to secure.

At the end of the exercise, teens are given a Return on Investment (ROI) score between 1 and 5. The score helps teens and their parents create a roadmap for success that will take them from choosing a career to calculating the cost of achieving it.



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## How To Use This App

Follow the prompts in each tab by using the filters and sliders to:

- Sometimes Choose the career you are interested in pursuing for your future.
- Explore and compare your options for achieving the educational or training requirements for your chosen career.
- Break down the cost of higher education by category: savings, wages from a job, scholarships or grants, and/or student loans.
- Evaluate your Return on Investment to see if you're on the path to success, or if you need to make some adjustments.

## **Laptop or Desktop Users?**

# Click Here to explore JA Access Your Future!



#### **Device Users?**

Download the JA Build Your Future app from your app store!





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Have questions about any of these lessons or activities?

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## **Grades Count!**

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Do grades really matter? In this online activity, students will explore the consequence of grades and other factors that can affect college options and scholarships.

#### Students will:

- Reflect on their current GPA and course selections in light of key factors that influence college admissions.
- Calculate a possible GPA based on potential new courses.
- List positive steps they can take to be successful with potential new courses and improve the chance of getting into a college of their choice.

Click here to access the Grades Count! online activity.

## **Supporting Resource**

This document contains two printable pages for students to evaluate how they feel about their grades, how to calculate their GPA, and create a plan for success.

Click here to access the Grades Count! Student Activity.

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