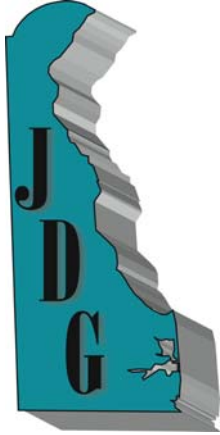


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THE KEY TO JOB SUCCESS™ JOBS FOR DELAWARE GRADUATES



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The Cost of Staying in School

The President's Pen

Jobs for Delaware Graduates programs are in school, during classroom time and part of curriculum. Our programs are taught by a Specialist/Teacher who is also a part of the fiber of the school and has duties just like any other teacher.

So when students enter our program, some in middle school and the majority in high school we have one goal - graduation from high school. Passing the JDG class on an annual basis is a step along the way to getting a High School diploma.

When a student graduates from high school society benefits. Here are some facts according to the *Alliance for Excellent Education*:

- Compared to a high school dropout, a single high school graduate yields a public benefit of over \$200,000 more in lower government spending and higher tax revenues. If the number of dropouts were cut in half, the government would likely see a total of \$45 billion in savings and additional revenue.
- If the male graduation rate were increased by only 5 percent, the nation would see an annual savings of \$4.9 billion in crime-related costs.
- Cutting the dropout rate of a single high school class in half would likely support as many as 54,000 new jobs and would likely increase the gross domestic product by as much as \$9.6 billion.

At Jobs for Delaware Graduates we are a part of the solution and we do make the difference in the life of a child and in society.

Sincerely,

Dr. Susanna Lee
President
Jobs for Delaware Graduates



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Seaford Field Trip

Students from all four grades of JDG at Seaford High School, went to the beautiful campuses of University of Maryland Eastern Shore and Salisbury University for college admissions presentations, campus tours and ended the day with a little fun at Crowne Family Entertainment Center. Many of the 31 students that went on the field trip had never been on a college campus before. The students represented JDG well and all were able to soak up the entire college experience.



Seaford High School Community Service

Students in the 11th grade class of Jobs for Delaware Graduates, Inc. at Seaford High School "Rocked Their Socks" for World Down Syndrome Day, March 24. Everyone celebrated the uniqueness of the triplication of the 21st chromosome which leads to Down Syndrome.



Coca Cola Scholarship Awarded

Diana Wilson is the Chapter President for Smyrna DCA and the State DCA Vice-President.

Diana applied for and has been awarded a \$20,000 scholarship from Coca-Cola. The process included an intensive screening and an interview in Philadelphia. The CEO of Philadelphia Coca Cola, Francis McGorry and top leadership from Coca Cola were involved in the process.

Diana was one of 150 students selected from over 100,000 candidates for a scholarship at this level.

She will be attending the Coke Scholars Weekend in Atlanta, GA April 3rd to the 6th.

We are very proud of this incredibly impressive accomplishment!



Your Hired!!

Thanks to the efforts of Junior Achievement of Delaware, students from JDG participated in the Career Challenge. The goal was to be hired through a series of interviews and interview situations.

Students arrived and were invited to a "networking affair" with members of the Delaware Chapter of SHRM (The Society for Human Resource Management). The SHRM members evaluated students on their networking skills and they were then divided into groups to learn more about the art of finding a job.

The next step was for students to participate in "one on one" interviews and students were selected to have lunch with members of SHRM as they continued the job hunt.

To conclude the day four students were selected as finalists and participated in a panel discussion with interview questions and life situations. The panel was evaluated on their answers with live voting by all of the students that participated in the Career Challenge. SHRM judges took a deeper evaluation from the audience.



In the end Maya Young from Middletown High School was hired!!

Delaware Skills Center

Javon Mills William Penn High School, 2014, Will Dickerson and Terrell Dixon Newark High School 2014 have started training in the Youth Construction program at Delaware Skills Center.

Finalists were: Joshua Ryun from Concord High School in 4th place, 3rd place went to Arnold Gibbs from Middletown High School and in 2nd place was Kayla Griffin also from Middletown High School.

Dickenson Career Day

Chef Robert Parker from the DuPont Company came in to speak to the senior students about career paths in the culinary arts field. Chef Parker demonstrated how to cook a Moroccan dish.



Grotto Pizza Day

JDG Community Day at Grotto Pizza is Monday, April 14, 2014. Present this [voucher](#) at checkout and JDG gets 20% of your purchase.



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