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To our supporters...

Jobs for America's Graduates-Kansas has put its name in the JAG record books! By adding 23 new programs for the 2022-2023 school year, Kansas is the fastest state to reach 100 programs, which we accomplished in less than 10 years of existence!

While that is an accomplishment to be celebrated, it is the product of more than nine years of hard work by all those who have been employed by the organization, not to mention the efforts of thousands of students across the state. Career specialists employed within schools deserve the lion’s share of the credit, helping students prepare for post-secondary success in education, military service or the workforce.

Seeing the proven track record of JAG-K and recognizing our great potential, Gov. Laura Kelly and the Kansas Legislature made the expansion possible by appropriating additional funding for the program in the Fiscal Year 2023 state budget. We have also raised increased financial support from corporate and private sources. These diverse streams of financial support are allowing us to keep up with increased costs and simultaneously grow to impact more students than ever.

We anticipate serving approximately 5,500 students in the 2022-2023 school year, an increase of about 1,200 students. JAG-K now has 104 programs in 48 school districts. We have 86 multi-year high school programs, 13 middle school programs, and five Transition Services programs that primarily serve students in foster care.

With growth comes challenges. We are excited to embrace those challenges with your help. We certainly could not do it without the dedication and support from our employees and investors. Thank you for helping JAG-K and the students we serve succeed.

Sincerely,

Chuck Knapp
JAG-K President and CEO
### 2021-2022 By The Numbers

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<th><strong>Over $6.936 million in scholarships received by JAG-K Students</strong></th>
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The FY 2022 JAG-K Budget which runs July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, funds programming and operations through two primary revenue sources. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) block grant funds administered through the Department for Children and Families (DCF) is the primary funding source. The secondary source of funding comes from affiliate agreements through school district program fees. JAG-K continues to build upon partnerships with state and local foundations and grants to secure additional funding sources for growth in the future. Our budget allowed us to support 81 traditional JAG-K programs throughout Kansas and four programs to support students in foster care that cannot be part of the traditional JAG-K program. The FY22 budget is not only aligned with the Strategic Plan, it is strategically designed to put JAG-K in a strong position to expand our outreach to youth.

The proven outcomes of student success continue to highlight the benefits that a JAG-K program brings to a school. Evidence based programs that include computerized tracking of all students served, services delivered, and performance results are a critical component of every program. Programming Services provides JAG-K students employability skills, career and leadership development opportunities, academic remediation, and community service projects. In addition, JAG-K Career Specialists maintain contact with students throughout the summer months and most notably continue to work with students past high school. This unique 12-month follow-up program allows JAG-K to continue providing support to the student for the first year after graduation.
Student Awards

Two individuals and two teams representing JAG-K placed in national competitions in Dallas in May, 2022, while several other participants finished in the top 10 in their events.

Twenty-nine students reached the 2022 national finals that culminate the Regional and State Career Development Conferences (CDC). JAG-K students who placed in the top three were:

- Career Preparation, 3rd place: Melanie Varela, Garden City High School
- Employability Skills, 2nd place: Ashley Reddig, Great Bend High School
- Creative Decision Making Team Competition, 3rd place: Grace Thompson, Caydan Pore, Jordan Smith, Kiowa County High School
- Project-Based Learning Showcase Team Competition 2nd place: Liberty Gilkey, Connor Pore, Karina Martinez, Kiowa County High School

Staff Awards

JAG National Outstanding Career Specialists:

- Marcus Mitchell, Kiowa County HS
- Ali Fisher, Westridge MS (Shawnee Mission)
- Marcus Moeder, Hutchinson HS 1

JAG National High Performers:

- Marcus Mitchell, Career Specialist, Kiowa County HS
- Patrick Dake, Regional Manager, Region 1B
- Cynthia Garner, Regional Manager, Region 3B

Program Awards

JAG National Outstanding Service Award - Certificate of Recognition

- Kiowa County High School

JAG National Outstanding Service Award - Certificate of Merit

- Augusta High School
- Hiawatha High School
- Newton High School
- Westridge Middle School (Shawnee Mission)
Transition Services

There are approximately 7,000 youth in the Kansas foster care system. Just 31% of students who age out of the Kansas foster care system graduate from high school.

Through its Transition Services program, JAG-K is providing new support to students in foster care across Kansas.

Yellow indicates new programs for 2022-2023 school year