

JOBS FOR AMERICA'S GRADUATES

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WHAT IS JAG?

JAG is a state-based, national non-profit organization dedicated to preventing educational dropouts among young people who possess a multitude of barriers to success.



JAG INDIANA PROGRAM HISTORY

- 2006-2007 Introduced by Gov. Daniels
- 12 Pilot Programs (Gary, Ft. Wayne, Indianapolis, Greene Co.)
- JAG Expansion: 2013-14 and 2017-18 School Years
- Governor Holcomb's State of the State Goals
- Current JAG Indiana Funding Sources



JAG PROGRAM LOCATIONS

- 134 In-school programs (junior/senior and alternative education)
- 1 Out of school programs (Gary/Indianapolis)
- 2 College Success Programs (Indianapolis/Ft. Wayne)
- 19 NEW sites in 2017-18 SY
- 3 NEW sites in 2018-19 SY

Complete listing of locations:

http://www.in.gov/dwd/JAG



PROGRAM OVERSIGHT





Regional Workforce Development Boards

Service Providers

Schools



PROGRAM MODELS

- Multi-Year Program:
 - 11th and 12th grade students with barriers receive in-school competency curriculum
- Alternative Education Program:
 - Provides services to 11th and 12th grade students enrolled in alternative learning environments
- Out-of-School Program:
 - Serves high school drop-outs (ages 16-24); assists them with completion of HS Equivalency program or HS diploma, enter employment or post-secondary training opportunity
- Early College Success Program:
 - Piloted in lowa only; program assists students in college with transitional services and continued career exploration
- Other Models: Middle School and 9th/10th Grade models



IN-SCHOOL PROGRAM MODEL

- **Specialists** deployed in local high schools, WorkOne offices or adult education centers: serve 35-50 students per roster or cohort
- Contact: 1 hour a day; 5 days/week; school year and summer; DOE Credit (0522 course code)
- JAG National Curriculum: 37 Employability Competencies (evidence based)
- JAG Career Association: Participate in leadership and servicelearning activities
- Field trips, guest speakers, job shadowing, mentors and tutors
- Linkages to internships and job development
- Goals: Graduation, employment and/or post-secondary education
- One year of Follow-up Services



STUDENT BARRIERS

- One or More Modal Grades Behind Peers
- Has Repeated a Grade in High School
- Low Academic Performance
- Basic Skills Deficient (Reading and Math in particular)
- Limited English Proficiency
- Did Not Pass State Proficiency Exam
- A Past Record of Excessive Absences as Verified by School Officials
- Has Been Suspended, Expelled or Put on Probation during High School
- Has Dropped Out of School Previously
- Parent(s) did not Graduate from High School



ADDITIONAL STUDENT BARRIERS

- Parent(s) does not Work
- Is Pregnant
- Has Dependent Child(ren) in the Home
- Is Parenting
- Has Documented Alcohol and/or other Substance Abuse
- Convicted of a Criminal Offense other than a Traffic Violation
- Has a Record of Violent Behavior
- Homeless
- Runaway
- Requires Child Care during Work or School
 - =Students that WANT, NEED and CAN BENEFIT!



CORE COMPETENCIES

- Identify occupational interests
- Conduct a job search, design a professional resume, write a cover letter for a job application, demonstrate job interviewing skills
- Demonstrate positive attitudes, work ethics and behaviors, effective decision-making skills
- Demonstrate ability to accept responsibility for one's actions, effective conflict resolution skills
- Ability to set realistic goals and priorities, effective money management skills, independent living skills
- Ability to communicate and work with customers to satisfy expectations, determine employer expectations



ADDITIONAL MODEL ASSISTANCE

- Initiation and Installation Ceremonies
- Leadership and Career Development Conference (students)
- State and National Professional Development (staff)
- Service and Project Based Learning components
- SAT/ACT requirements
- JAG Indiana Outreach Coordinators
 - Employer Connections
 - PSE Connections
- Ivy Tech and Vincennes University Partnerships
- DWD Support Services: WorklNdiana, Adult Education, Indiana Career Explorer and Indiana Career Ready

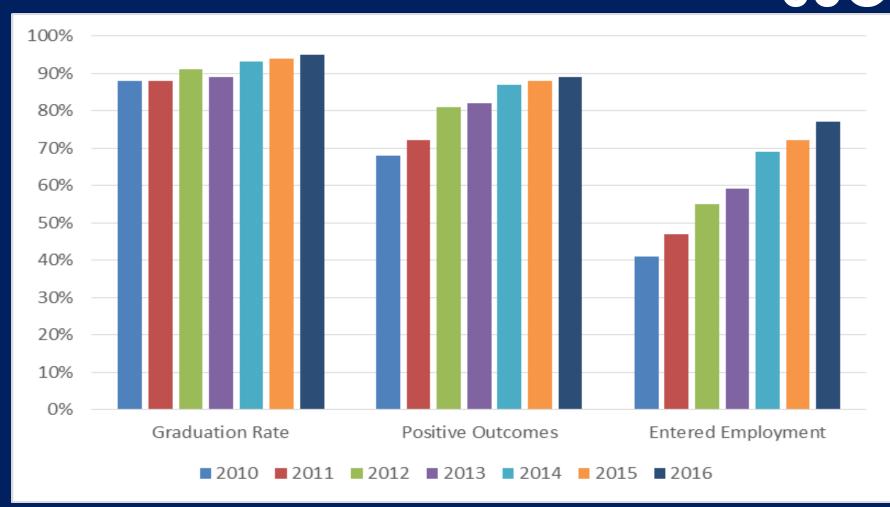


CLASS OF 2016 SUCCESS

- Graduation 95%
- Employment 74%
- Positive Outcome 89%
- Full Time Placement 91%
- Full Time Employment 77%
- \$24 Million Scholarship Dollars (Class of 2016)



JAG INDIANA HISTORY OF SUCCESS





SCHOOL IMPLEMENTATION

- 5-year Expansion Plan
- "Waiting List" (through DWD and local WDB/region)
- Superintendent and School Board approval (if applicable)
- School Advisory Board: champions & recruiting efforts
- Classroom space
- Hiring process: employees of the DWD service provider
- Student Selection
- Potential partial funding after 1 year



QUESTIONS

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