JA Finance Park Visit Information Introduction to JA Finance Park Letter

Dear Parent or Guardian:

This year, our class will participate in an exciting Junior Achievement program called *JA Finance Park*. *JA Finance Park* encompasses important educational lessons about personal financial literacy and career awareness. As part of the program, we will spend the day at the hands-on, experiential *JA Finance Park* site on DATE______. This visit will provide students with an opportunity to apply, in a realistic setting, what they have learned in the classroom. Students will be responsible for planning a budget for themselves and their fictional family.

The goal of experiential education programs such as *JA Finance Park* is to help students see how classroom learning connects to real-world actions and events. Students acquire knowledge through hands-on classroom activities and discussions and then seek relevance between their new learning and their future lives. Because of this unique learning format, students remember this Junior Achievement experience for many years. Your involvement with the students as they go through this learning process will be very beneficial.

To make the visit to Lafayette *JA Finance Park* a real success, **we need one parent for every five students to accompany us**. Site volunteers must also participate in an online training in preparation for working with the students. The website for training, along with more information about this volunteer opportunity, will be sent to you as the visit date nears.

We look forward to participating in this exciting educational opportunity with you. We hope that you will be interested in volunteering to accompany our students and serve as a facilitator for the day.

Sincerely,

(Teacher's Signature)

