ABOUT US

Junior Achievement Mascareignes was founded in 1919 in the United States and implemented its actions in Mauritius on 29th December 2009. We educate and inspire our young population to develop entrepreneurial and life skills through our JA Programs. Our vision is to inspire and prepare our young people to succeed in a Global Economy in constant mutation. We aim to create awareness amongst our youth of the conditions necessary for social and economic development and inculcate in them the skills and virtues of Entrepreneurship, Work Readiness, and Financial Literacy.

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“Let their success be your inspiration”
PraSino Trypa(PST) Company Ltd were the winner of the JA Mini Company Mauritius 2016 edition, sponsored by Rogers Capital. The final was held on the 20th of September 2016 at Voila Bagatelle, Moka.

The 2016 competition saw the participation of 10 teams from various schools. After a first selection process, five teams were shortlisted for the final: AllSpirit Company Ltd, Easelife Company Ltd, eCrea Ltd, Genesis Ltd and PraSino Trypa Company Ltd.

The finalists presented their projects in front of a Jury, composed of Rogers Capital representatives, namely:

Mr. Julien Moutou, Mrs. Mow Taher and Mrs. Cathie Hannelas.

PraSino Trypa Company Ltd will be representing Mauritius during the JA Africa Regional JA Mini Company Competition of the Year in Harare, Zimbabwe in December.

The awardees for the JA Mini Company Mauritius 2016 were:

⇒ Runner Up: eCrea Ltd (Ebene Girls SSS)
⇒ Innovation and Creativity: Inception (RCPL)
⇒ Entrepreneurial Award: Easelife Company Ltd
EcoNat Ltd, from Rodrigues College, were the winners of the first edition of the JA Mini Company Rodrigues, sponsored by Barclays Bank. The Runner-up sport went to Eco Recycling Company, from Grande Montagne College.

The final was held on Saturday 24th of October 2016 at the Human Resource Centre in Malabar. The members of the Jury were Mrs. Michèle Lionnet (JA Mascareignes), Mrs. Renuka Jacquette (Barclays Bank Mauritius) and Mr. Percy Gontran (Travo-Bwa Ltd).

4 Schools were involved:
- Grande Montagne College
- Le Chou College
- Rodrigues College
- Terre Rouge College

Each team took part in a Trade-Fair before making a PowerPoint presentation of their project.

“JA Mini Company is aligned to the Regional Government’s vision of consolidating the Autonomy of Rodrigues’ Economy, through the development of a new breed of Entrepreneurs”
- Mrs. Franchette Gaspard-Pierre Louis (Deputy Chief Commissioner’s Office)

“Our devotion, hard work and motivation has paid off in the end. We are extremely happy”
- Emma Perrine (Rodrigues College)

“JA Mini Company has given us an idea of what is Entrepreneurship in the real life.”
- Hillary Roussety (Rodrigues College)

“We have made big sacrifices in the last few weeks to complete our products and to be ready for the final.”
- Joannety Jolicoeur (Grande Montagne College)

“JA Mini Company is more than a competition, it is a source of knowledge for students of various fields. They have learnt that with hard work, devotion and innovation, we can achieve great things.”
- Mr. Joey Roussetty (Mentor Rodrigues College)
Vivo Energy Youth Day, sponsored by Vivo Energy Mauritius, was organised by Junior Achievement Mascareignes on Friday 29th July 2016 at Alliance Française, Bell Village, Port Louis. 70 participants from 10 different institutions participated in the event. Vivo Energy Youth Day programme aimed at preparing young adults to compete successfully for employment opportunities available in the labour market. This event, which served as a vehicle to bridge the gap between life as a student and the responsibilities of the job market. The event, which saw the contribution of Vivo Energy Mauritius volunteers, addressed primary areas of work readiness, employability skills and attitude management.

“The Vivo Energy Youth Day, was an amazing experience. I learnt many great things which will be very useful for me in the future. I also made many new friends, with the youngsters from other schools. The animators, from Vivo Energy Mauritius and JA Mascareignes, were very nice. This is something which I would encouraged my friends to participate in the future.”

- Maeva Raboute (Loreto College Bambous Virieux)
Firstly I’d like to thank JA Mascareignes’ wonderful team. They are great people who are friendly, understanding and who really excel at their job of introducing young people to the world of work.

Since having attended the 1st session of JA Success Skills, I was really looking forward to the Job Shadow day. It started by the Barclays team introducing us to their company principles and policies, advising us on health and safety regulations, then representatives from each department came to fetch us in groups.

I went in the Procurement/Sourcing department. There my job shadow guide explained the whole banking concept to me and my partner and also his daily job of buying supplies.

I had business knowledge from school but to be able to put it into practice was just great

As I listened to my facilitator, I became fascinated to learn so many interesting concepts and it was a really fruitful experience that changed my views and ambitions. It was all the more fun to be around people of my age, to work in teams, to visit an establishment like the Barclays and even to have the director giving a live speech to us!

It will remain an unforgettable experience for me.

-Radhaa Ramdonee  
Loreto College Curepipe
Southern Handicapped Association

“In view of the visit to Southern Handicapped Association SEN School, the management and the pupils were pleased to have you all among us. JA Notre Quartier has been successfully implemented in our association. It has been really informative and has broadened the knowledge and understanding of everyone. It has also provided us with innovative and more efficient techniques to perform our daily tasks. Hats off to your wonderful team! Thanking you for your support.”
- Mr Bondy Poorasveensingh

Main Objective:
JA ©Notre Quartier develops an awareness of the Socio-Economic Environment of the “Quartier” in which we live.
Number of Sessions: Five
Target Group: 10-15 Years Old

Esperance 2000

“Here at Esperance 2000, the students really enjoyed these sessions, as they were interactive. They have discovered so many things: specially how to set up a business plan.

We are glad to be a part of this new approach to learning, by implanting JA Programs in our Centre.”
- Mrs. MaryJoyce Philippe and Mrs. Pauline Lecordier

Main Objective:
JA More than Money™ encompasses hands on activities and teaches about earning, spending, sharing and saving money.
Number of Sessions: Six
Target Group: 12-15 Years Old
JA Economics for Success™

Ebène Boys SSS

“JA Economics for Success has proved to be very helpful for the 50 Students who embarked upon this journey. They have been able to understand the concept of choosing a job, earning a salary, thinking about expenses and gauging the risks in their daily livelihood. Thanks to JA Mascareignes, they have been made aware of such facets of life at an early age.

- Mr Deepak Maunthrooa (Teacher)

Main Objectives:
JA Economics for Success™ explores personal finance and participants’ education and career options based on their skills, interests and values.
Number of Sessions: Six
Target Group: 14-18 Years old

JAM Managing Your Money Smartly

Ecole Familiale de L’Ouest

“JA Managing Your Money Smartly was a very interesting talk. It taught me how to I should manage my finances. I wanted to buy clothing, the program helped me to budget my spending so as to save enough money to buy it. I have also been talking to my mother about the importance of making a budget for our expenditures at home.

- Ms. Amélia (Student)

Main Objectives:
JA Mascareignes Managing Your Money Smartly educates participants on the ways to manage their personal finances in a responsible manner.
Number of Sessions: 2 Hour Talk
Target Group: 16-35 Years Old
During the third semester of 2016, JA Career Success was implemented at the Maison Familiale Rurale de la Savanne.

Our institution located at Souillac is a professional training institution providing alternate education and training, to improve the students’ employability and thereby foster sustainable development within our community.

Being a training institute that recruits school drop-out, doing all these sessions in English was quite difficult, but with some patience and translation all our students had whole heartedly attended and enjoyed this entire program.

It was also a great pleasure to cooperate with the 2 JA Mascareignes Staffs, Taneesha and Jessica. They really helped us in the implantation of the program. They had come to help us for some sessions. They were greatly appreciated by all our staffs and students.

JA Career Success has greatly helped increase the self-assurance of all our students. They are now more confident about their future career, dealing with a working environment and job interviews. All the staffs and students of the MFR de la Savanne would like to thank the entire team of Junior Achievement for giving us all the tools and materials to achieve in a career.

- Rachelle Raphaël
Educator

Main Objective:
JA Career Success™ equips participants with the tools and skills required to earn and keep a job in high-growth career industries.

Number of Sessions: Seven
Target Group: 16-25 Years Old
With a personal vision to share my experiences and know-how and to reach out to pass something useful on to the next generation, I chose to join Junior Achievement Mascareignes (JAM) some months back. Today, I consider myself to be privileged to be part of a team that reaches out to empower the younger generation and relates to Helen Keller’s quote ‘The welfare of each is bound up in the welfare of all’ by catering for the wellbeing of its staffs. This undoubtedly reinforces a healthy working environment, team spirit and my willingness to stay on board of this wonderful venture. Working at JAM gives the feeling of being on a ‘roller coaster ride’ to ensure fairness, effectiveness and efficiency of all our programs. Observing, learning, developing, designing, planning and implementing our current and oncoming programs and strategies are yet the challenges of everyday life within our organisation. I take immense pride in and of Junior Achievement Mascareignes.

Reena Rampadaruth
Program Manager

Nothing beats the feeling of being continuously challenged yet still feel satisfied doing the job. I have been working at Junior Achievement Mascareignes for a relatively short period of time yet this have been 6 months of learning, sharing experiences and most important feeling that it’s just the start. Junior Achievement Mascareignes has given me a lot of satisfaction and determination to grow and eventually to strive towards its goals – that is to empower our young generations. What makes Junior Achievement Mascareignes stand out is that every single employee has a stake in the organization’s success. We are a team driven and we operate in a way that puts collective goals ahead of individual glory. We love what we do and it shows in the strong relationships that we have built with our beneficiaries.

It is a pleasure to be part of this vibrant JA Mascareignes team.

Taneesha Mungroo
Education and Support Officer
OUR FUTURE EVENTS

**COMING SOON...**

- **JA Mascareignes Annual Certificate Award Ceremony**
  - Date: 24 November 2016
  - Venue: Rajiv Gandhi Science Centre

- **JA Job Shadow Batch 2**
  - Date: 7 December 2016
  - Venue: Barclays Bank Mauritius, Ebene

- **JA Africa Regional JA Mini Company Regional Competition of the Year 2016**
  - Date: 7 - 9 December 2016
  - Venue: Harare, Zimbabwe

- **VIVO Energy Youth Day**
  - Date: TBC
  - Venue: TBC
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