



Our Mission:

To equip K-12 students and their families for economic advancement.

Our Vision:

*All people
achieving financial
success!*



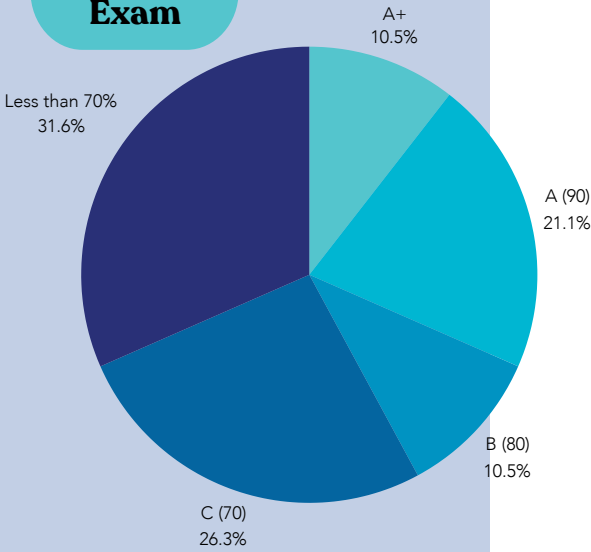
Hats off to our 2024 Graduates

Our guests of honor at this heartwarming celebration were May 2024 graduates: Mekhi Sims, Leilah Stigler, and Ra'Tavius Martin. As we sent these graduates onto the next steps in their journey, they each received recognition for their hard work, dedication, and growth over the course of their time spent in the program.

A special thanks to all of our sponsors who made it possible to hold this celebration for our graduates! We are beyond grateful to your continuous generosity!!



Quarter 1 Exam



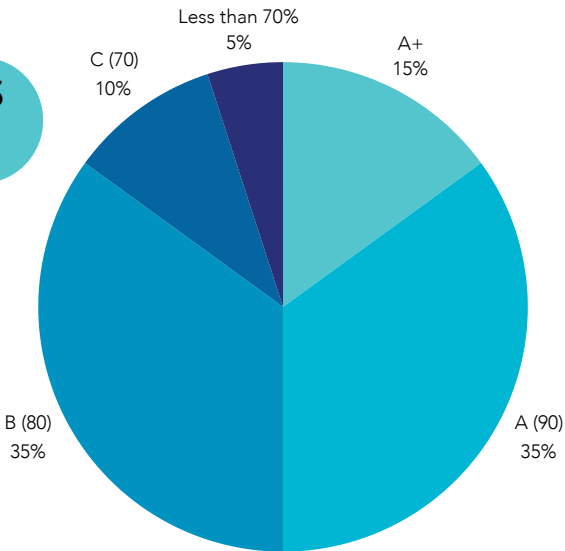
Test Scores Through the Roof

Middle School students take exams at the end of each quarter to examine their progress.

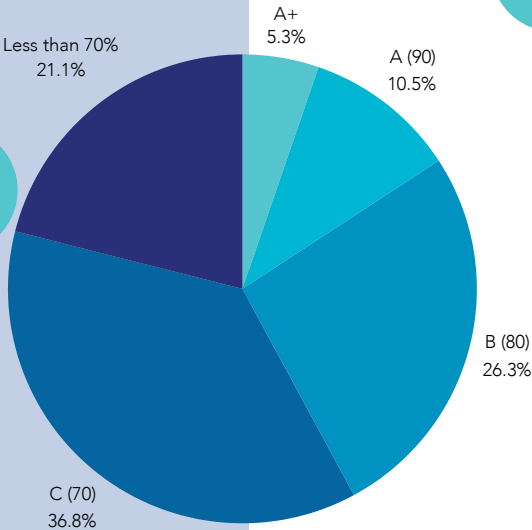
Quarter 1 exam scores can be seen on the left. Over the course of the year, test scores improved tremendously!

We can't wait to see their progress over the next school year!

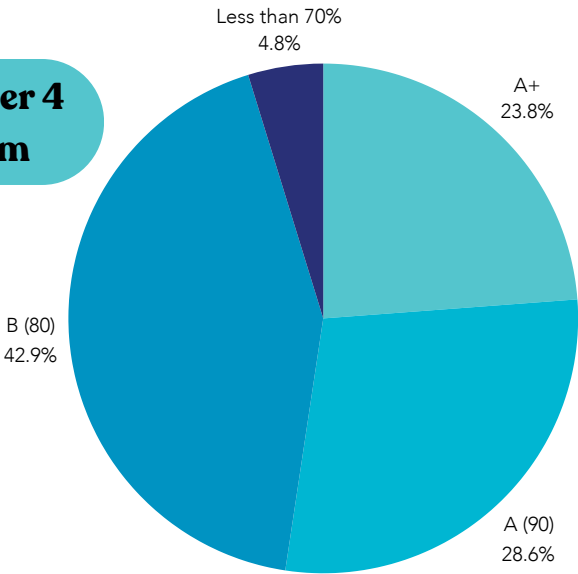
Quarter 3 Exam



Quarter 2 Exam



Quarter 4 Exam



Courtney pictured here with middle school students as she teaches a lesson about financial literacy!

A note from education coordinator, Courtney Post:

"I was really impressed with how the students learned how to take notes during the lessons. The students were better engaged at the lessons and in the activities at the end of the year, than in the beginning of the year. This definitely showed in their test scores. "



Eighth-grader Marco was proud to buy gifts for his family during Winter shopping day

Volunteers Needed for the Upcoming 2024-2025 School Year

Are you looking to get involved in The Job Foundation's cause?

Come join our mission as a mentor or volunteer. You will get the opportunity to bring smiles (as big as these) to children and their families' faces in our community! How you might ask?

Help out with Middle School Lessons

Help with Elementary Day Lessons

Transportation to Lessons and Events

Event Helpers

Mentoring

An essential part for program success is having a mentor who commits to spending an average of four hours per week with their mentee.

Would you be willing to invest in the life of a student and cheer them on?

Did you know?

Children who have mentors have higher rates of:

- High School Graduation
- Healthier relationships & lifestyle choices
- Better behavior at home and in school
- Higher college enrollment rates

AND

- They are LESS likely to have problems with drug and alcohol abuse



Mentor Sunny takes her mentee Julia to the library to check out some new books that she has been wanting to read!

Call Seth Stearns at 319-823-1095 or scan the code for an application!



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Mekhi Receives His Earnings

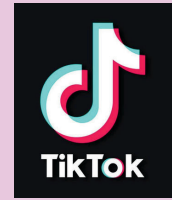
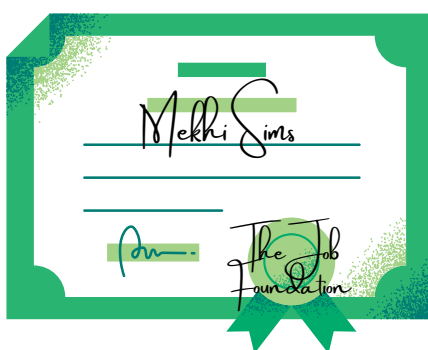


Pictured above is Mekhi with his long time mentor - Sara

One of TJF's seniors, Mekhi Sims, received his well-deserved earnings on June 20th at FSB! Mekhi's total earnings were over \$6,000. Thanks to an anonymous donor, each graduating senior will be awarded an additional \$1,000!



In order for a senior to receive their earnings, they must complete all of their financial literacy lessons, as well as completing everything on their senior checklist. A select few of the assignments on the seniors "To Dos List" are getting their driver's license, establishing their credit, registering to vote, and reconciling their checkbook, amongst other tasks. Once they have completed this checklist, they are able to obtain their earnings from FSB!



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Our Vision:

All people achieving financial success!

Our Method:

A long-term investment in youth growing up in low-income households by equipping them with the knowledge, tools, and assets to become financially independent adults.



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JOB FOUNDATION

The "Foundation" of The Job Foundation

You could say Jennifer Brost always had a heart for people. In college, she intentionally moved into Section 8 housing in the Cedar Valley to develop friendships and learn more about the impacts of poverty. After college, she and her husband, Mike, lost their firstborn child to stillbirth and his name was Job. This tragic loss drew Jennifer's attention to how her friends from the apartment complex could ever be able to manage similar situations in their lives. The loss of income, the unexpected medical bills, and many other unexpected financial affairs could send those who are already living on the financial edge into financial ruin.



Pictured above are
Jennifer & Mike Brost

In her late son's honor, Jennifer Brost started The Job Foundation to help children break the cycle of generational poverty and its lasting effects.



Students receive earnings based on good grades, attendance, and behavior at school. A minimum of 60% is held in long-term savings accounts. The remaining 40% is deposited into their checking accounts. This hands-on experience provides students the opportunity to learn how to properly use their money.

WE BELIEVE IN ENDING THE CYCLE OF GENERATIONAL POVERTY.

A common experience for children growing up in low-income households is lacking the knowledge or resources to become financially independent adults. The Job Foundation is on a mission to guarantee financial education for children living in poverty.



Lessons are held throughout the school year. The financial and leadership course content provides students with the knowledge and tools to be financially independent adults who can break the cycle of poverty.



Each student is paired with a volunteer mentor. Studies suggest that mentoring relationships benefit young people's education, daily lives, and their futures.



Say Hello to Our Staff!

We've recently had some new team members join our team at The Job Foundation. We'd love to introduce ourselves and share a fun fact about each of us, along with our favorite color!

Cyd McHone

Executive Director

A fun fact about me is that I like so many different kinds of movies, colors, books, etc., that I don't like to pick a particular one! However, when I do have to choose, my favorite colors alternate between blue and purple.



Courtney Post

Education Coordinator

My favorite color is pink. Some fun facts about me are that I make my own homemade cards and I drink a glass of chocolate milk every day!



Daekota Knott

Development Director

My favorite color is green. A couple of fun facts about me are that I've been skydiving and I've visited 33 out of 50 of the states! (Go Bears!)



Linda Hudwalker Bowman
Grants Manager

A fun fact or two about me is I've met three of our living former presidents and I was born in St. Louis (GO Cardinals!). My favorite color is yellow!



Seth Stearns

Program Director

My favorite color is blue! A couple of fun facts about me are that I play bass guitar and I am an ordained pastor. ("Go Pack Go")



Kerrigan Krueger

Data and Accounts Associate

My fun fact is that I do figure 8 racing and am getting married this summer. My favorite colors are pink and champagne!



The Job Foundation's Monthly Giving Club

To show our appreciation to our donors, this page features individuals and organizations that have graciously made The Job Foundation a part of their budget. Each of these donors has devotedly given or pledged to give to this foundation once a month. The Job Foundation thanks you beyond comprehension for your generous gifts.

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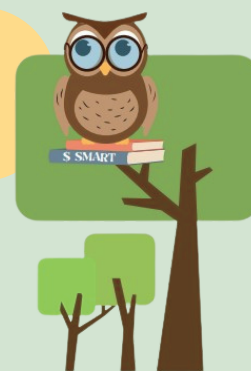
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The simple truth is, at The Job Foundation everything we do is because of our supporters. It is your kindness that a child living in poverty will gain financial awareness that will end the cycle of generational poverty.

Every dollar counts!



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