Young Enterprise

Member of JA Worldwide

COMPANY PROGRAMME

- FINANCIAL CAPABILITY
- ENTREPRENEURSHIP
- WORK READINESS

KEY FEATURES

- Suitable for 13-19 year olds
- Flexible duration from 12 weeks up to one academic year
- Dedicated platform for resources and guidance
- Support from a business volunteer
- School contribution of £560 per student company (up to 32 students) for state schools, or £2,500 for independent schools (multi-buy discounts available)



ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

Company Programme provides a real-life learning opportunity that introduces young people to the world of work as they set up and run their own student company.

Supported by £10m Product and Public Liability insurance, they make all major decisions from sourcing start up capital to choosing director roles, launching a product or service and managing their company finances.

As part of the programme, young people can open a student company business current account with Equals Money, and sell to the public at in person events and our online store, YE Trading Station.



Step-by-step tasks, activities and resources are available on our dedicated platform, Company Connect, where young people manage their company profile together.

Subject to availability, a YE business volunteer (with a valid DBS) will be allocated to offer additional support.

Funding may be available for selected groups of young people, especially those who are currently disengaged or facing difficulties to learning, through our Inspiring Futures programme. Please contact your local YE for more information and to check eligibility.

"A wonderful experience for students and staff to lead. A whole range of skills have been developed and can be transferred to higher education and employment."
– Educator

LEARNING OUTCOMES FROM COMPANY PROGRAMME

Taking part in Company Programme encourages young people to:

- Develop confidence, an enterprising mindset and employability skills
- Gain first-hand experience of work, job roles and working as a team
- Gain self-awareness of personal strengths and areas for development
- Develop relevant content for applications to education/ training providers and future employers
- Develop a professional network
- Set SMART goals and plan next steps to achieve successful futures



RUNNING THE PROGRAMME & COMPETITIONS

Multiple student companies can run from the same school, college or centre with up to 32 students per team. Student companies can participate in competitions at a local, county and regional level to win a place at our Company of the Year national final.

They can promote their ideas at our pitch to the panel events and sell products in person at local trade fairs, extending learning development opportunities. These include public speaking, interview skills and networking with other students.



ADDITIONAL BENEFITS

- Fulfils the skills element of the **Duke of Edinburgh Award** scheme
- Can be used to support the Pearson Extended Project Qualification
- Contributes towards the **Gatsby Benchmarks** of Good Career Guidance
- Young people receive a personalised skills certificate on completion

THE GATSBY BENCHMARKS
GOOD CAREER GUIDANCE

HOW CAN I SIGN UP?

To find out more or register, visit young-enterprise.org.uk

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