

## BMO 3-year Donation Helps Junior Achievement Focus on the Future



Junior Achievement of Wisconsin has received a \$345,000 three-year donation from BMO, one of the largest gifts ever received by the non-profit organization. The donation provides \$115,000 each year, beginning with the 2024-25 school year, and focuses on financial literacy education and skills-building lessons for underserved youth across Wisconsin.

"The confidence and support of BMO means so much to the Wisconsin students we serve. This multiyear gift provides stability for our programs that focus on giving students in low-to-moderate income families the tools to achieve their dreams," said Julie Granger, President of Junior Achievement of Wisconsin. "BMO's gift also ensures that our JA Titan Business Challenge scholarship competition and the Young Entrepreneur (YE) of the Year events are supported for years to come."

In addition to the generous corporate donation, BMO also encourages its employees to volunteer their time and teach Wisconsin students about managing money and preparing for a successful career. In the past five years, nearly 100 BMO employees have taught JA learning experiences to more than 4,750 Wisconsin students.

"Education is the foundation for a strong future, and BMO's partnership with Junior Achievement is all about giving young people the tools they need to succeed. Over the years, we've been able to help bring financial literacy and economic education to hundreds of thousands of students across North America," said Jon Schumacher, Managing Director, BMO Commercial Bank.