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2020 Annual Report



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This report is comprised of Fiscal Year 2020 information. (July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020)

The James R. Jordan Foundation provides a pathway out of poverty by empowering youth to achieve their full potential and by leveling the playing field so they can become successful human beings and productive contributors to society. We do this by creating networks of support for families and communities, motivating youth, and ensuring high-quality academic opportunities for youth in under-served communities. The James R. Jordan Foundation is dedicated to supporting students and families through access to knowledge and by exposing them to resources that contribute to their life success.

Pictured on front cover: Aiyonna Ross, 2nd Grade, Sherman School of Excellence

Dear Friends,

As a grassroots organization, the **James R. Jordan Foundation** works to meet the needs of youth who have limited access to resources necessary to succeed academically. Our goal is to help level the playing field for these students, see them advance to higher education, and help them reach their highest potential.

During the 2019-20 year, we had the honor of serving **1,405 students and 306 parents and guardians** through our programs and special events. We served a total of 517 students across our 4 major programs, and with support from our partners, we collaborated with 45 professional content experts and 66 volunteers and mentors to bring awareness, discovery, and knowledge to our students and families.

The academic achievements of our students reflect the effort and support of the Foundation and its partners. Additionally, we know that parental support is an important contributor to a child’s success. Through our **Vision for Families (VFF)** program, we help build that support structure. This year, 306 parents and guardians, along with their 120 students, participated in workshops geared towards parent development. Content experts presented on various topics including health awareness, careers, and budgeting.

At the end of the academic year, we had the pleasure of awarding \$31,355.16 scholarship dollars to 73 **A-Team Scholars**. Through the A-Team Hour, students receive support through mentoring. Throughout the year, 37 students participated in mentorship sessions with various professionals in different fields. They received a total of 139 mentoring hours. Personal mentoring and skill-development programming is key to academic success. We will continue to increase our mentor and volunteer base through company partnerships, providing more students with access to mentoring.

This year marked the eighth year of the **S.T.E.A.M.** program and the outcomes are encouraging. 184 students participated in a wide array of S.T.E.A.M. events, including S.T.E.A.M. summer sessions, S.T.E.A.M. pop-ups, and S.T.E.A.M. workshops. Continued feedback from instructors, students, and other key stakeholders will help us improve and expand the program.

30 students participated in our **Read with Me! (RWM)** programs. On average, PreK through 4th grade students increased their reading ability over half a grade level. Over 100% of our students are now reading at or above their grade level. With the help of our partners we introduced new remote learning workshops, such as our virtual Read with Me! Day that brought together 56 parents and students beyond our regular pool of program participants.

This past year has proven to be difficult for families across the country due to the **COVID-19 pandemic** introducing barriers to education with social distancing. The Foundation’s impact and commitment to providing students and families a pathway out of poverty is as strong as ever despite these trying times. Even with the challenges of remote learning, we maintained participation in our four programs and brought in new community members through innovate virtual workshops. With your continued support, we can continue to advance these families towards a brighter future together.

Thank you,



Jodie Benjamin
Corporate Board President

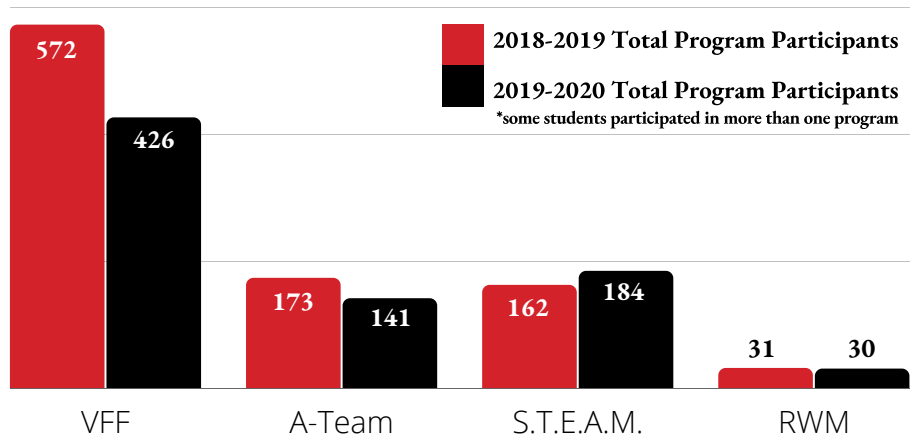
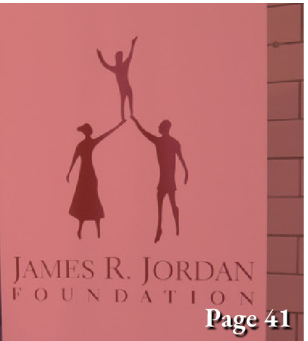
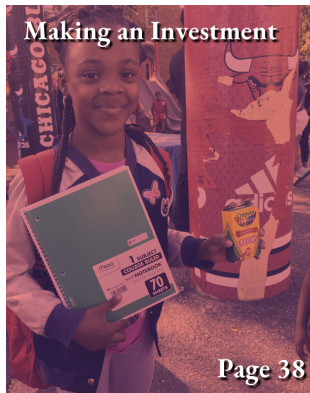
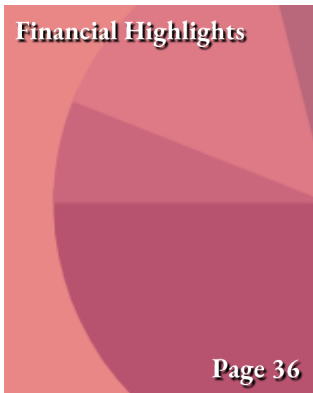
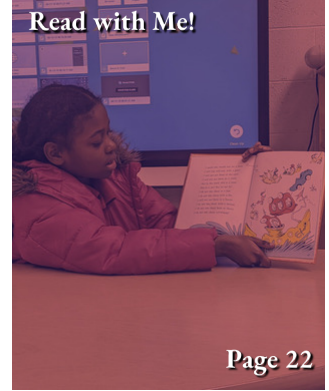


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a★team scholars

The goal of A-Team Scholars is to increase educational opportunities for students in underserved communities. To ensure that students have the best opportunities to succeed, our A-Team students are also offered mentoring and tutoring opportunities. Current A-Team students in grades 8-12 will continue to be awarded scholarship money based on scholastic achievement, character and integrity.

Students receive \$50 for every “A” and \$25 for every “B” earned per quarter in reading, math, writing and science. The scholarship dollars are invested in Bright Directions 529 college savings plans, and are available to the students upon enrollment in higher education, such as college or vocational school.





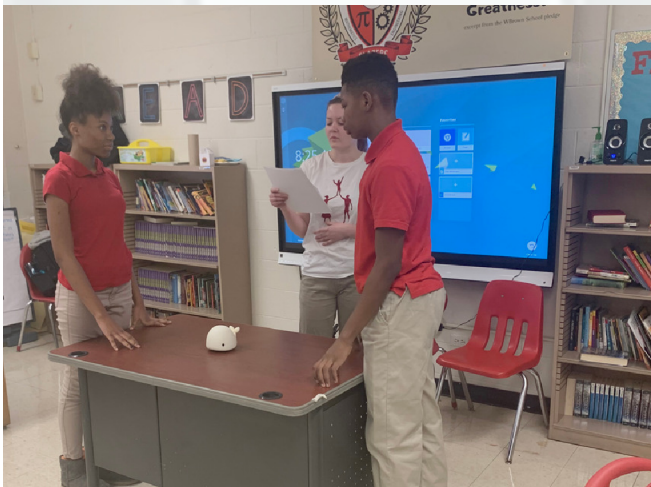
Clickable Video Above:

"Congratulations to the Class of 2020. Your hard work has paid off. I salute you and your families for their dedication to your education along with the Principals of each school. Students, your future is in your hands as you move into a new direction. We here at the James R. Jordan Foundation will continue to connect with you."

- Mrs. Deloris Jordan

Connect

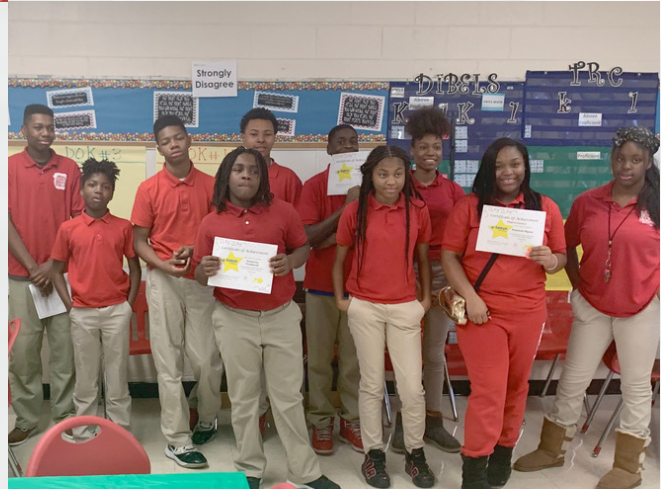
Connecting students to resources through partnerships.



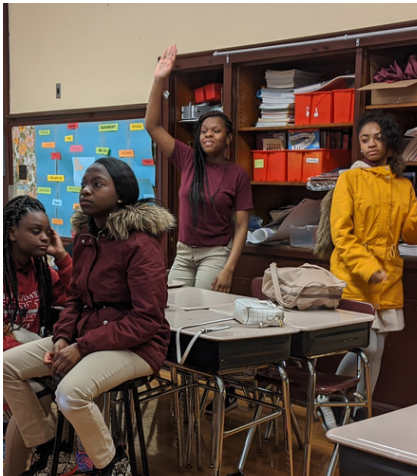
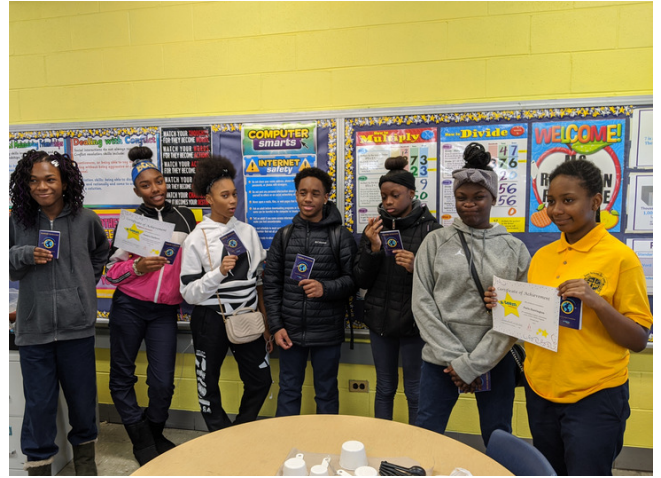
Pictured Left: Two students from William H. Brown STEM Magnet School participate in an activity with JRJF Program Coordinator Casey Jewett.

Quarterly Celebrations are a time for A-Team Scholars to celebrate their achievements and learn how much scholarship money they have earned.

Pictured Right: William H. Brown STEM Magnet School A-Team Scholars at their Quarterly Celebration



Pictured Left: A-Team Scholars from William H. Brown STEM Magnet School participate in a social emotional learning peace circle activity.



Pictured Above: Students from Sherman School of Excellence (Middle Left) and R. Nathaniel Dett School (Middle Right) participate in team building activities and honor their achievements during their Quarterly Celebrations.

A-Team Scholars Student Spotlight



Pictured Left: Sa'Niya

Sa'Niya is the 2020 Valedictorian for R. Nathaniel Dett Elementary. Her goal for after high school is to graduate from college and pursue a career as an entrepreneur, a teacher, or even both.

Her most memorable moment as an A-Team Scholar was when Officer Michele Millison came to Dett and had the students participate in conflict resolution scenarios.

To help reach their goals of graduating college, Sa'Niya and Requiya can continue to earn scholarship funds with the A-Team Scholars fund, through grades and 95% attendance.

Pictured Right: Requiya

William H. Brown Elementary named Requiya their Salutatorian of the Class of 2020. After high school and college, Requiya wants to continue down a career path to eventually become a midwife.

Requiya's favorite A-Team memories include discussing life beyond elementary school, recognizing achievements at the Quarterly Celebrations, and the "Ballin on a Budget" activity.



"I learned that you really have to pay attention when it comes to what you want versus what you need when spending your money." - Requiya

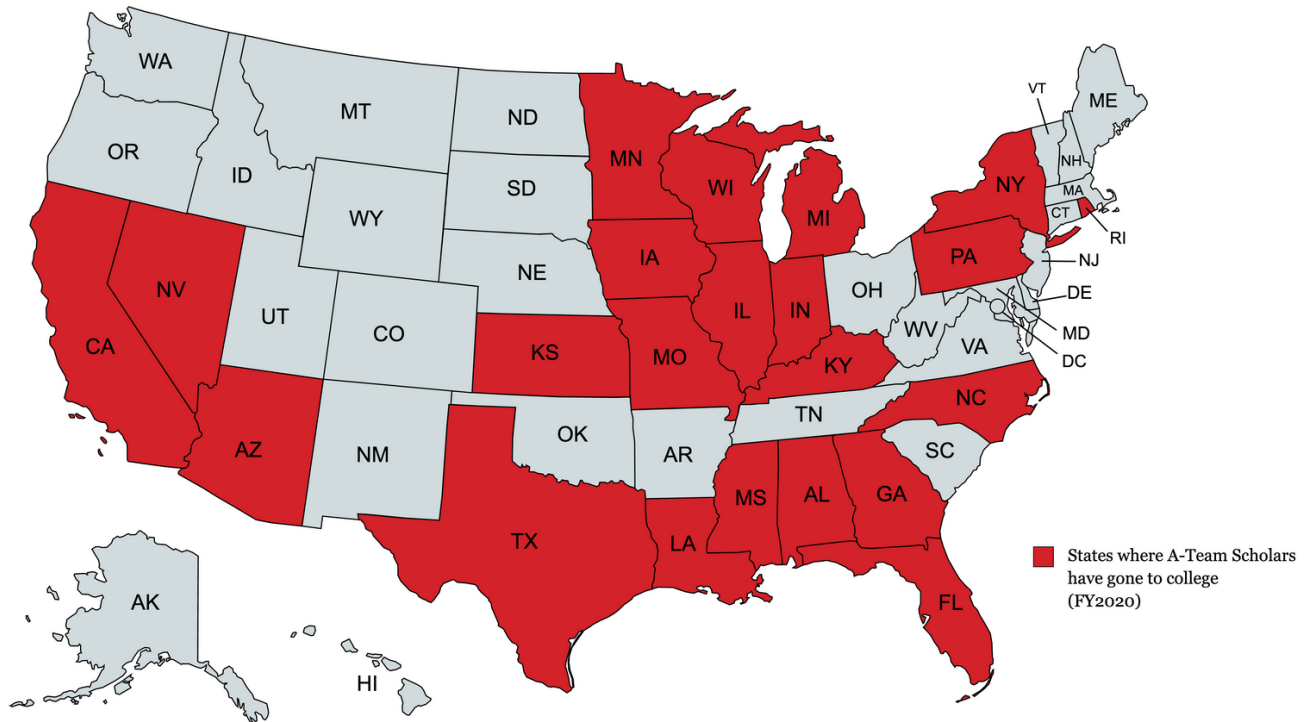
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Class of 2020 Graduates

Aureanna Johnson	Deonna J. Wagner	Lashanti Jones
Aaryn Wilson	Desaray Smith	Lavell Jr. Ingram
Aminah Wilson	Destiny Moore	Malik R. McGraw
Anthony Pruckler	Destiny Quinn	Maria S. Smith
Anthony Reed	Destiny Willingham	Mario Cedano
Ariel Hudgens	Dexter Morgan	Miyonna Gary
Arielle Dixon	Diamond D. Walls	Nazir Davis
Arkia Boswell	Dymond C. Dennis	NyQyez D. Hunley
Armonie Mickey	Elijah Reyes	Papachi Joel Collins
Asharia Jones	Ian Burtley	Phyllis Curington-El
Avionce Minor	Iona Smith	Prentus Bobbit
Brandon Lomas	Izetta Caffey	Raekwon LaCour
Briana Williams	Jacquez Kirkland	Riley Anderson-Bush
Camron Cook	Jade B. Fulgham	Robert Herdle
Carmen Damonte Cook	Jaden D. Daniels	Robyn Mack
Charlotte Jones	Jakhan P. Dixon	Ronnie Peterson
Corneilius Campbell	Jaliyah Lawson	Roosevelt Smith
Curtis M. Dixon	Jalonda Riggs	Savion Hill
Damani A. Williams	Jaquon Balls	Shakeera Tucker
Damien K. Perry	Jimarius Sneed	Shaniece Watkins
Damien Russell	Jonathan Ian Martinez	Sydney Smith
Danielle Williams	Jordan Anderson-Bush	Tacari Robinson
Daquwan White	Josselin Villeda	Tacarion Robinson
Dartell Taylor	Kaelon Wilson	Takayla Brown
Daveon Rogers	Kaila L. Lauderdale	Tashara Bunton
David Anthony Figueroa, Jr.	Kavina Wilson	Toyoun R. Hampton, Jr.
David D. Jackson Jr.	Kimani McKinney	Tyjen Fields
Deandre Stephone Bell	Lakeyia Reynolds	Tyjuan Williams
Dejanae Polk	Lanaiya Jackson	Tyshaun Williams
Demita Brown	Lance Sims	Vyron Ashford

Colleges and Universities Attended by A-Team Scholars



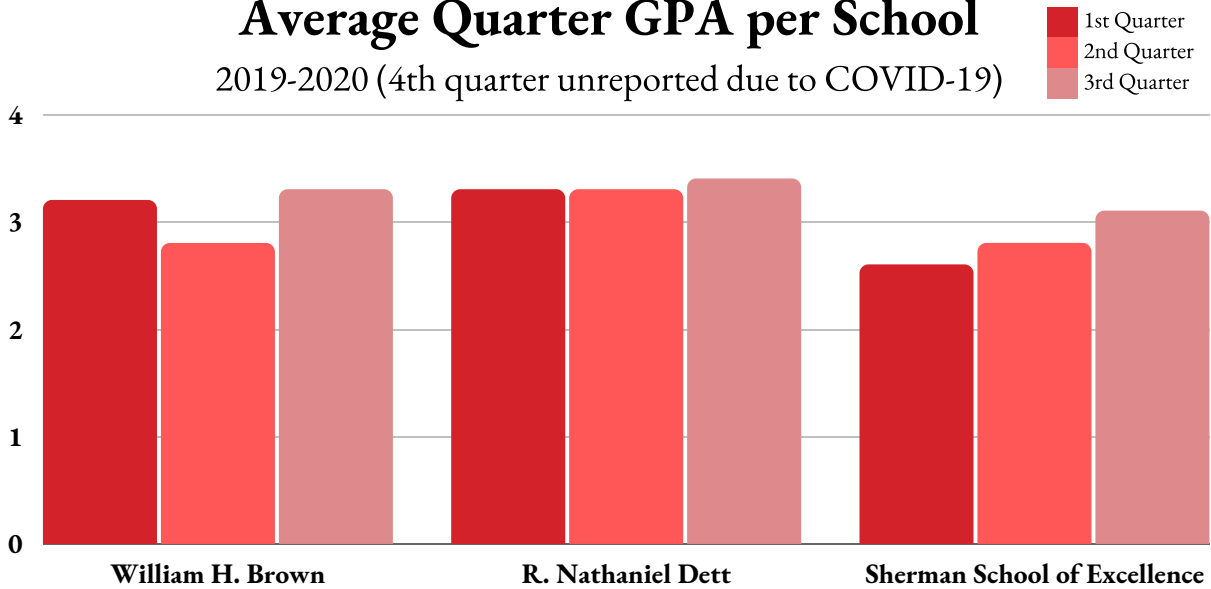
Alabama A&M
 Aurora University
 Ball State University
 Beloit College
 Benedictine University
 Campbellsville University
 Central College
 Central Michigan University
 Chicago Institute of America
 Chicago State University
 Coyne College
 DePaul University
 Dillard University
 Dominican University
 Eastern Illinois University
 Full Sail University
 Georgia State University
 Hair Professionals Career College
 Harry S. Truman Community College
 Highland Community College
 Illinois Central College
 Illinois State University

Indiana University Northwest
 Indiana University, Purdue
 Iowa Central Community College
 Jackson State University
 Johnson and Wales University
 Johnson C. Smith University
 Kennedy King College
 Kishwaukee College
 Lincoln College
 Lincoln University
 Malcolm X. Community College
 Mississippi Valley State University
 North Central College
 Northern Arizona University
 Northern Illinois University
 Paul Mitchell the School Chicago
 Purdue University
 Robert Morris University
 Rockford University
 Roosevelt University
 Saint Mary's University, Winona
 Saint Mary's College of California

Southern Illinois University, Carbondale
 Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville
 The Culinary Institute of America
 Triton College
 Truman State University
 University of Illinois, Chicago
 University of Illinois, Springfield
 University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
 University of Indianapolis
 University of Louisville
 University of Michigan
 University of Missouri, Columbia
 University of Nevada, Las Vegas
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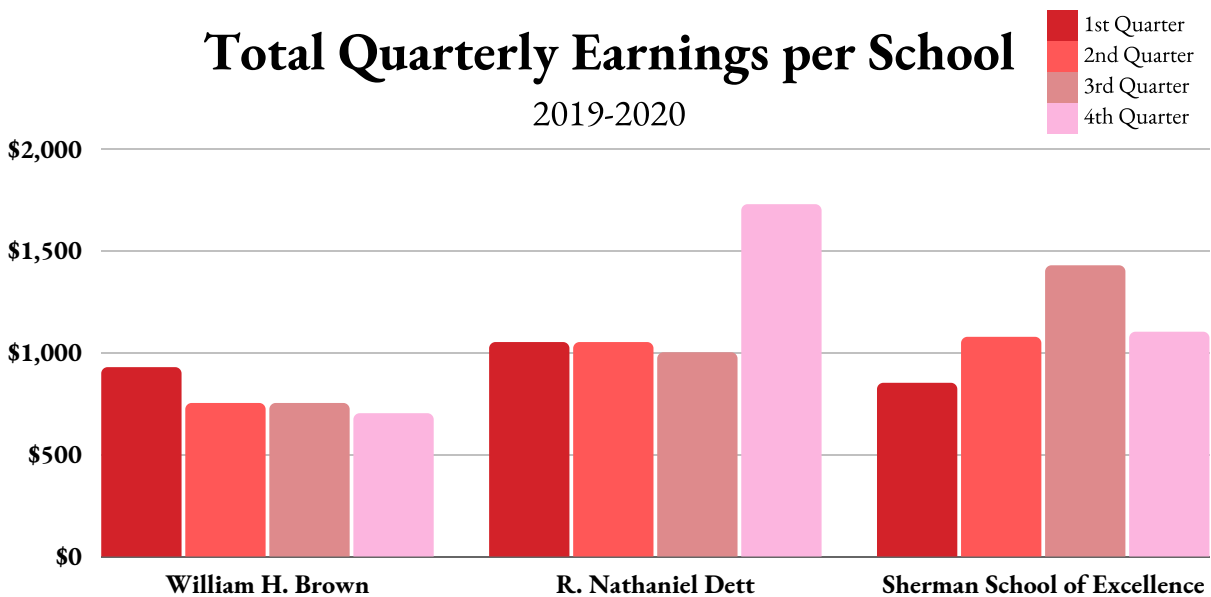
Average Quarter GPA per School

2019-2020 (4th quarter unreported due to COVID-19)



Total Quarterly Earnings per School

2019-2020



A-Team Scholars

- \$31,355.16 JRJF scholarship dollars were released to colleges and universities in the 2019-2020 school year.
- As of June 30, 2020, the total of withdrawals from inception is \$654,915.05

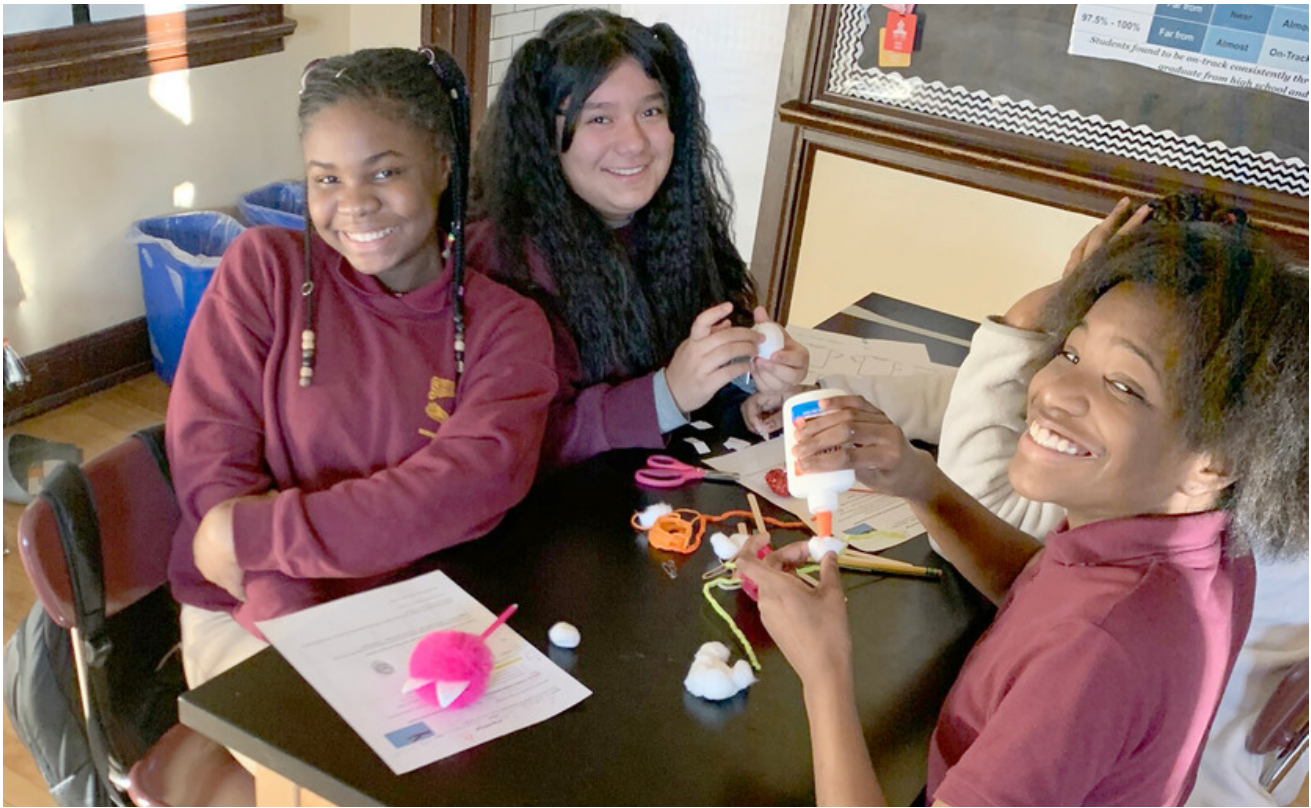
(This graph represents only those schools with active A-Team students.)

S.T.E.A.M.

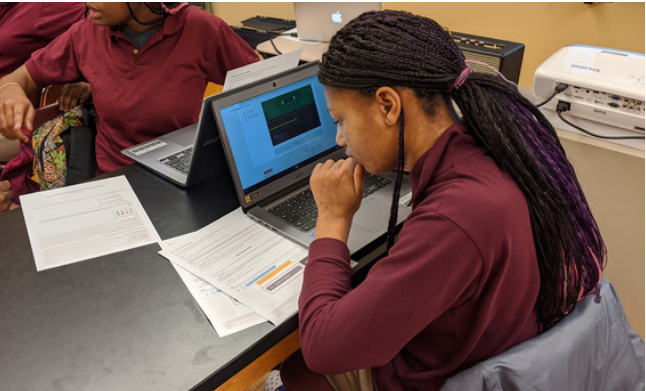
The James R. Jordan Foundation's S.T.E.A.M. (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) program provides educational opportunities through mentorship and collaborative learning communities. The program is designed to create awareness and encourage youth of African American, Latino and lower socioeconomic backgrounds to participate in S.T.E.A.M. careers.

The year-long program engages students in 6th to 8th grade to utilize critical thinking and learn technological skills beyond the classroom. S.T.E.A.M. invites students to continue developing their skills and widening their professional possibilities, so that they might take advantage of learning opportunities in high school and college, consider careers in S.T.E.A.M fields and ultimately successfully compete in the global context.





Students participating in S.T.E.A.M. workshops at our partner schools

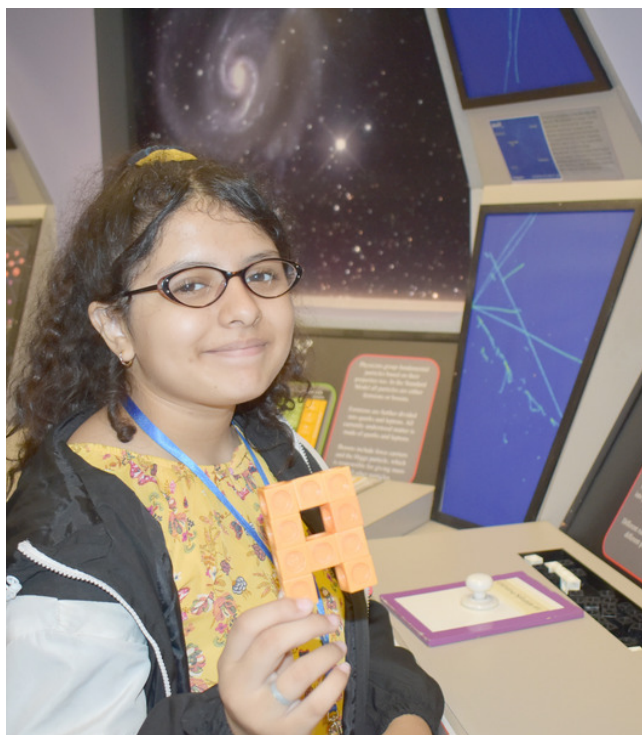


Maximize

Maximizing students' potential and opportunities to grow.



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Thailand Tobias participated in the S.T.E.A.M. Space Camp and Summer S.T.E.A.M. Session. His favorite memories from the program include spending time with his mom and learning how to run scientific experiments.

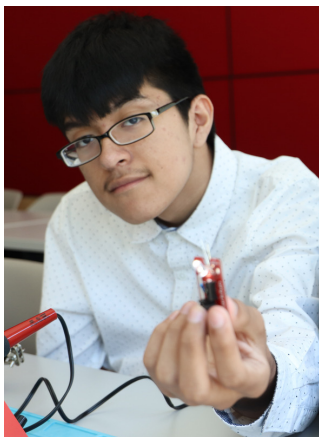




During **S.T.E.A.M.** summer sessions, students participate in a wide variety of workshops, field trips, and activities. They are taught different S.T.E.A.M. subjects, including coding, introduction to physics, plant life, architecture and biomechanics.

All S.T.E.A.M. education programs provide students with self-confidence, cultural awareness, and teamwork skills.

Pictured Left and Right: Summer S.T.E.A.M. students caught in moments of curiosity as they discover, learn, and have fun.



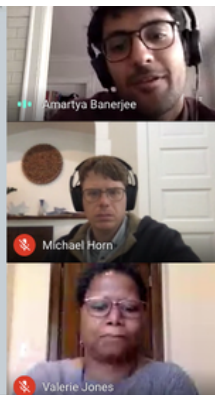
S.T.E.A.M. Program Highlights



JRJF is excited to share that with the support of partners and donors we've been able to **distribute over 90 iPads** to students within our partner schools

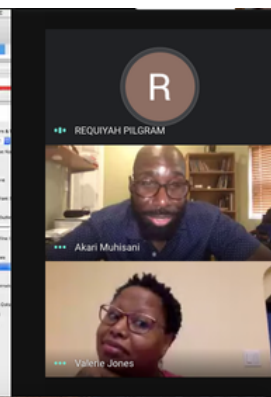
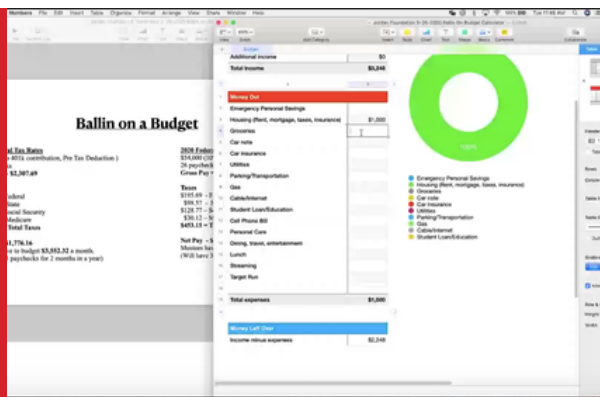
Pictured Left: Samya Turner
 "To have a chance to own this iPad gives me the confidence to be prepared with relevant tech for high school. Thank you for this!"

Pictured Right: Nurrie Dixon
 "This iPad will give me a great chance to have a device for me to be very successful as I prepare for my high school career. Thank you, Jordan Foundation!"



Pictured Left:
 On Friday, May 22nd Dr. Horn and Amartya from Northwestern facilitated a lesson on Tunepad with 8th grade students from William H. Brown Elementary. The students learned more about coding with Python and created their own beats with coding.

Pictured Right:
 On Tuesday, May 26th Akari exposed William H. Brown students to Personal Finance and facilitated an activity called "Ballin' on a Budget". Students learned about taxes, 401K/Retirement savings, and were able to create a monthly budget within a given scenario.



S.T.E.A.M. Teacher & Student Spotlight



Ms. Rommy Mata-Peacock
Visual Arts Teacher



Clickable Interview Left: "The James R. Jordan Foundation has provided Sherman scholars numerous opportunities through the 2019-2020 school year both in the classroom and our transition into remote learning. The James R. Jordan foundation continued in-person programming, such as Read with Me and Vision for Families in the remote space. They continued to partner with our teachers and families to provide educational opportunities to the Sherman community. The STEAM program is one of the most successful programs that come from our partnership with JJJ. Students in 7th grade received pop-up sessions during school, where various guests from different fields introduced their careers and did an activity with students. Students truly enjoy working with each guest and being exposed to new career options."

"The James R. Jordan Foundation has impacted my life in a fantastic way. Since my son started going to, and working with the foundation he has this bright light to him. It has peaked interest in him that he didn't even know he had. He's talking about his future in robotics or architecture. When he talks about things he's learned from participating with this foundation it's with so much passion. I would like to thank this foundation for making my son's learning process a great experience."

Laschia, talking about her son, Thailand (Pictured Right)

Thailand participates in Summer STEAM, STEAM pop-ups, and attended Family Space Camp with his mother Laschia in May of 2019. During the 2019-2020 Annual Report, he was a 7th grade student at Sherman School of Excellence. He also attended the 3rd Annual Bags for Kids Tournament in November 2019.

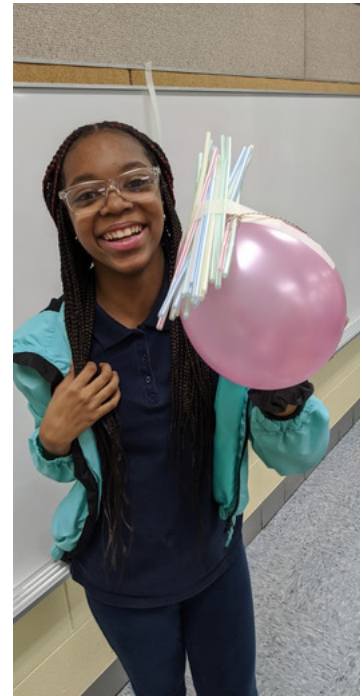




Vision for Families

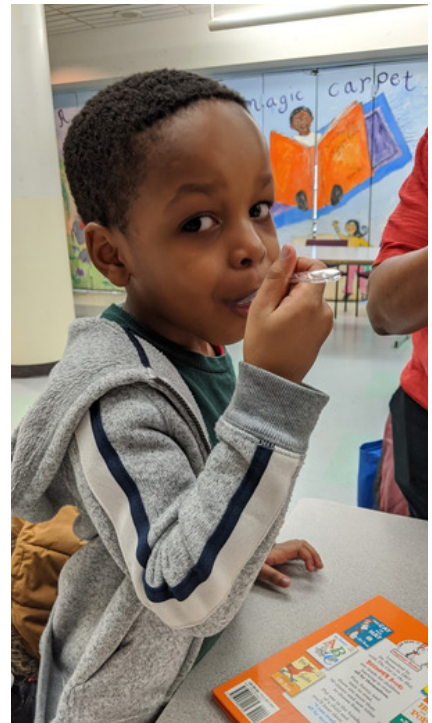
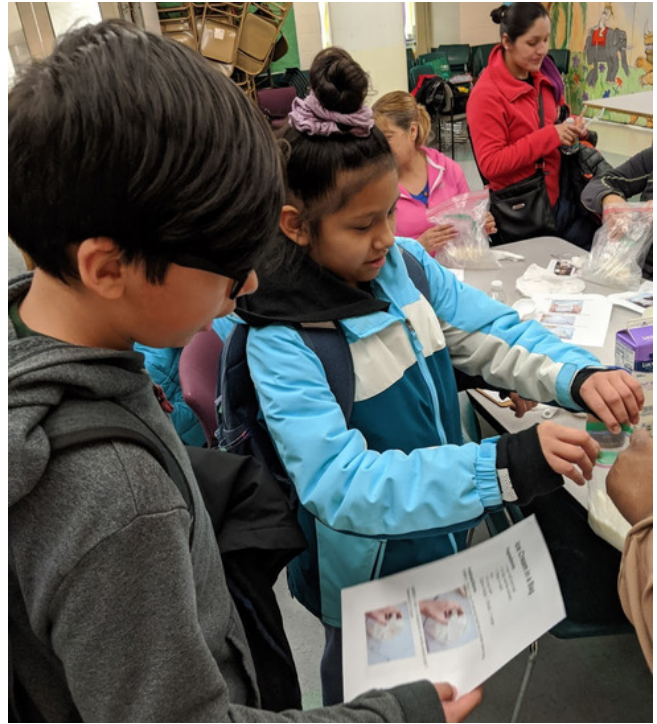
A PROGRAM OF THE JAMES R. JORDAN FOUNDATION

The goal of Vision for Families is to strengthen the ties between school and home, understanding that education is a holistic process. We aim to provide supplemental support for students by holding monthly meetings with expert speakers and key components, such as reading circles, parent workshops and community dinners to help tackle the challenges affecting parents, their children and the community.

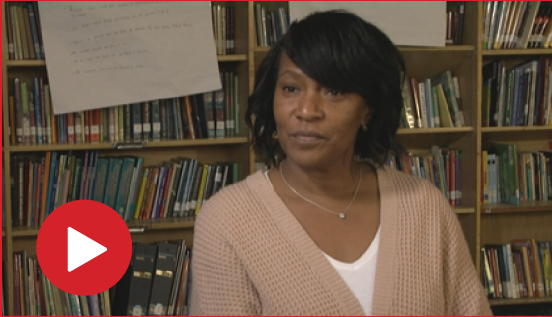


Advance

Celebrating and supporting students and families as they move toward the future.



Pictured Above: Jordan Community Public School students and their families learn how to make homemade ice cream during a Visions for Families workshop. At the end they get to eat their homemade dessert along with a free meal.



Wanda Noyes

Club Director of James R. Jordan Boys & Girls Club

Clickable Interview Left:

Wanda Noyes is a mother of 7 A-Team Scholars and was the first President of the Parent Teacher Association sponsored by the James R. Jordan Foundation. Her favorite memories are from the PTA family nights when families would gather to discuss issues surrounding the local school community.

Pictured Right:

Students from William H. Brown STEM Magnet School work together to build a tower with their families during a Visions for Families workshop.



Pictured Left:

Parents gather together at a Visions for Families workshop and share foundational tools that can be used for a successful home life.



Pictured Right:

Carrie, personal trainer and president of More Strength Fitness, Inc, shares her expertise with VFF families by conducting virtual workshops. In April, she created a special video to get families moving and exercising while at home using household items.



Visions for Families: Family Spotlight



Pictured Left:

Maria Morlas-Rodriguez, a mother of 3 children who attend Jordan Community Elementary School poses with Mrs. Jordan. Maria is a very active parent with the Vision for Families (VFF) program, attending every workshop. Maria was selected to attend the 2018-2019 Program Celebration to receive her VFF participation award.



Pictured Left:

Maria Morlas-Rodriguez poses with fellow Visions for Families (VFF) parents at a personal finance workshop in partnership with Seaway Self-Help FCU. Maria enjoys VFF because she gets to spend quality time with her children while also learning valuable life skills during the parent workshops.

"Me gusto JRJF mucho porque mi hija aprendio nuevas cosas y exploro lugares."

"I really like JRJF because my daughter learns new things and explores new places."

Maria is the mother of Amparito (7th Grade), Jose (4th Grade), and Erik (2nd Grade). She and her children have also been involved in the STEAM program through Summer STEAM, STEAM Pop-Ups, and STEAM Parents. Maria tries to bring two to three other families with her to every workshop.



Maria's daughter Amparito working on a S.T.E.A.M. activity during VFF.



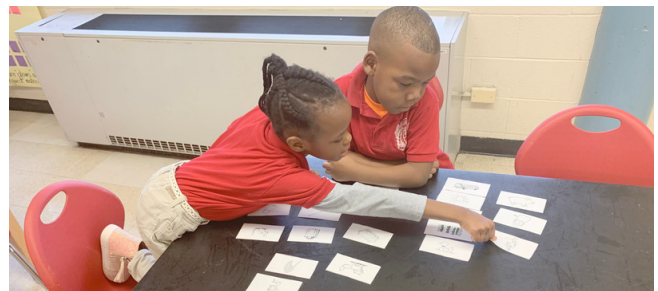
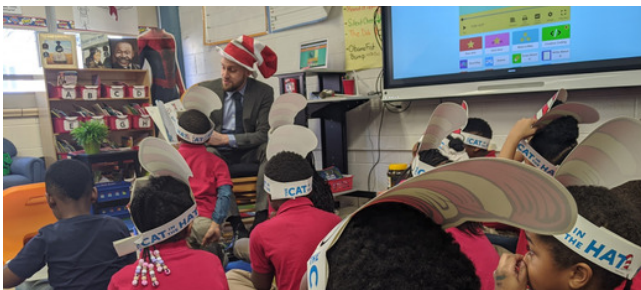
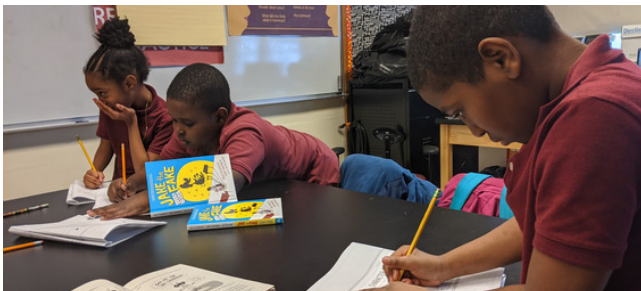
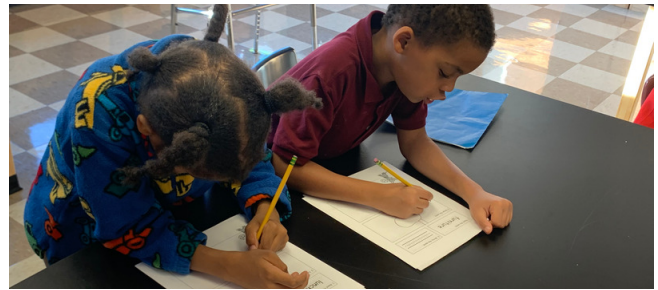
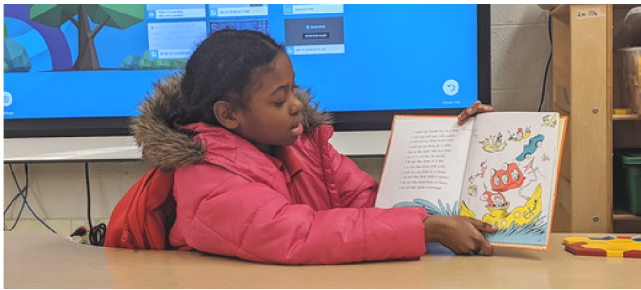
Maria and her son Erik reading during a VFF family workshops.



Maria's sons Jose & Erik working together on a S.T.E.A.M. activity at VFF.



Read with Me! is a strategy-based school day program that motivates youth to excel academically through small group reading and instruction. This literacy program provides appropriate reading intervention to help students meet academic standards and goals. The program sets students up to enter the 5th grade on their targeted reading level to compete with their peers and continue achieving academic success.



Read with Me! Student Spotlight



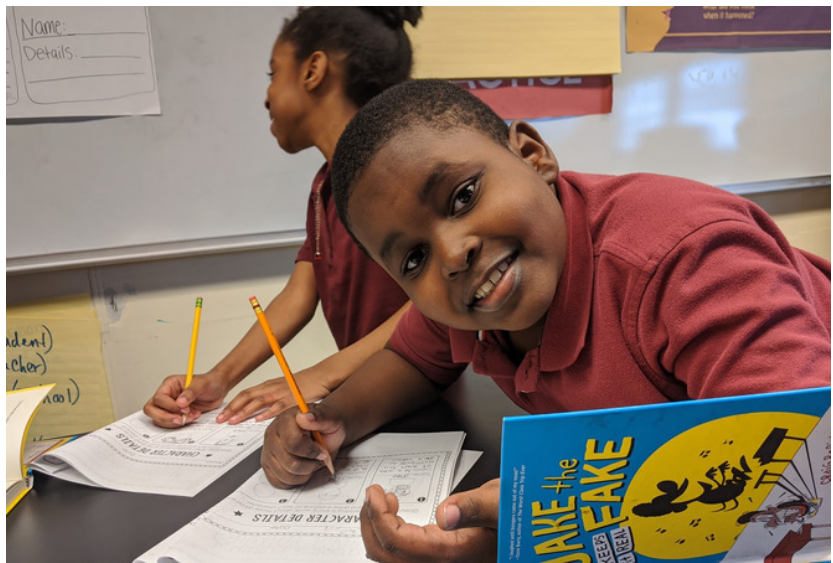
Pictured Left: Takira Nickles

Takira Nickles, a 1st grade student at William H. Brown STEM Magnet school, reads to JRJF Program Lead Markessa Hughley for her virtual Read with Me! session. Takira is kind, energetic, and willing to participate in her one-on-one Read with Me! sessions.

According to her Pre-Assessment, Takira began her time in the Read with Me! program at mid-1st grade level. Working diligently, Takira was able to raise her reading skills up an entire grade, finishing the program reading at a mid-2nd grade level.

Pictured Right:

Students smile with their book during a Read with Me! session. During a session, students review long and short vowel sounds, read books, practice reading comprehension, and work on letter identification.



"I am excited and look forward to continue remote Read with Me! sessions with Takira and all the students" - Markessa Hughley, JRJF Program Lead



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2019-2020 Holiday Celebration

Each year, JRJF provides students from the partner schools with a Holiday Celebration. The celebration is an opportunity to provides students with a "Winter Wonderland", complete with holiday decorations, gifts, and an evening full of excitement. Gifts are provided by JRJF partners and sponsors, ranging from apparel, toys, and more. Students are also treated to a warm holiday meal with all the trimmings. For many students this may be their only holiday meal and gift. JRJF is grateful for the sponsors and volunteers who support this memorable event.







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Foundation than
you; For our wonde
Christmas gifts.



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Dear James R. Jordan Foundation.

Thank you for the gifts I really
appreciate all the things you gave
me. Me and my class really liked
the sweaters. Thank you again for
all your gifts.

Dear Jordan
Foundation
Thank you
for our
wonderful
Christmas
Gifts!



Jacqueline

My name is Montice I am a 8th grader and I would like
to say thank you for the jacket and hat. I really needed it for
the winter. I am also thankful for all the events you did for us.
So thank you for the gifts



Student "Thank You" from the 2019-2020 Holiday Celebration

King T.

"Thank you
for the toys!
I loved driving
them."
- King,
4 years old

4 years old

Thank you for donating +
Jordan shirts and hood,
and the red hoods to Sher
school of excellence.



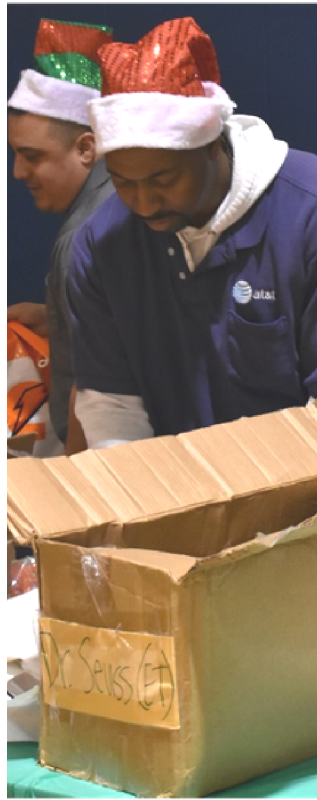
Sincerely Tyrae

Thank you for Bring
Kids Winter clothes
like Coats and Boots
and Jumpsuits for
Kids.



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2019-2020 Holiday Celebration Volunteers



3rd Annual "Bags for Kids" Fundraiser



The "Bags for Kids" Cornhole Tournament Fundraiser is an annual event that helps raise funds to support JRJF's programs and initiatives. It is an opportunity for individuals and companies to show their support of JRJF's mission. The highlight of this fundraising event is a cornhole tournament in which teams go head-to-head to win the championship title, all the bragging rights, a set of cornhole boards, and a customized plaque mounted at Michael Jordan's Steakhouse - Chicago. The Corporate Team Challenge offers an opportunity for team-building and morale boosting.

This year's event was held on November 14th at the Palmer House - A Hilton Hotel located in Chicago. This year's special guest was alligator wrangler and Chicago legend, Frank Robb, who guests got the chance to play and pose with.







Pictured Left:
 Individual Champions, Michael Hoare & Austin Smith, pose after winning the 3rd Annual Bags for Kids Tournament

Pictured Right:
 James. R Jordan Foundation Corporate Board Advisors and Event Chairs, Bill Tarnow & Roger Veome, pose with the Bags for Kids Individual Champions



Pictured Left:
 Members of the Corporate Team Champions, Palmer House - A Hilton Hotel, pose with James R. Jordan Foundation Advisory Board member Detraiter Love, Bill Tarnow, and Roger Veome





3rd Annual Bags for Kids Sponsors & Partners

Diamond Sponsor

Alex. Brown

Gold Sponsor

Superior Staffing

First Trust

Silver Sponsor

Neal Gerber Eisenberg

Janus Henderson Investors

Gatorade

Radio Sponsor

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Education is Our Number One Priority
Gilberto Piedrahita and Barbara Karrel – Administrative Team

July, 2020

Dear Board of Directors,

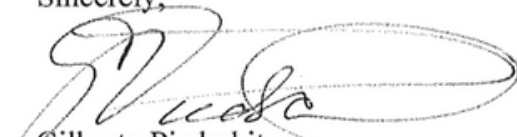
Jordan Community School has the pleasure of partnering with James R. Jordan Foundation at all levels of our school. The James R. Jordan Foundation has provided opportunities that would not be possible without their partnership. The James R. Jordan Foundation has provided programs such as Vision for families and STEAM to our scholars from primary to middle school level. These programs have become an instrumental part in connecting our value of college and career readiness. The James J. Foundation has also partnered with us for many years to bring a smile to our children faces by providing a yearly Holiday Event where every single child receives gifts.

Jordan students have come to understand the value of striving for excellence and being academically engaged through the programs provided. The STEAM program has given students access to the career and disciplines of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math that are beyond that of the classrooms. In continuing to prepare Jordan Community School students with college and career readiness skills.

The Vision for Families program provides monthly programming for the parents in Jordan Community, strengthening not only parent relationships, but also the home and school relationship. Vision for Families addresses issues such as, finance, health, and career readiness for our families. By proving workshops for our families, James Jordan allows our parents to continue their learning, becoming partners in their child's education. Our families look forward to the monthly workshops, truly enjoying the activities and information provided by the guests and members of the James R. Jordan Foundation. The James R. Jordan Foundation also engages our students in amazing opportunities such as their participation in the National Student Leadership Conference (NLSC) and the annual Space Camp in the spring of every year.

Jordan Community School and the community are vely thankful for the partnership that the James R. Jordan Foundation has provided and looks forward to its continuation in the future.

Sincerely,

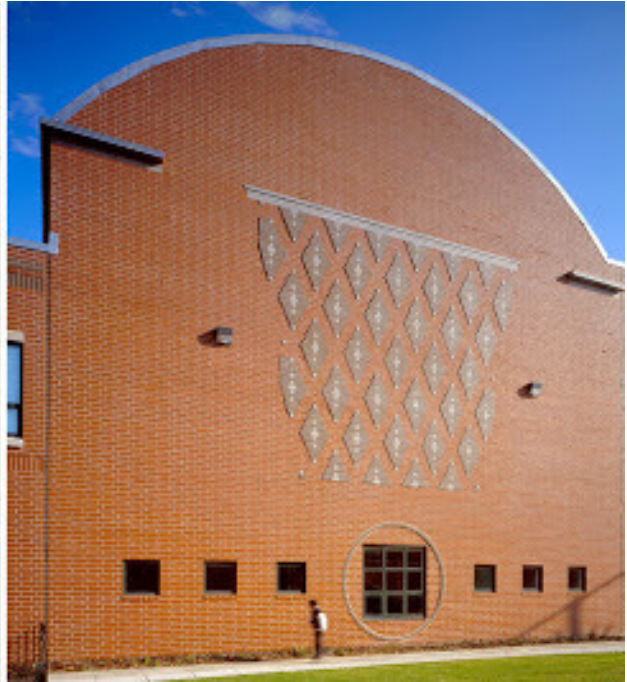


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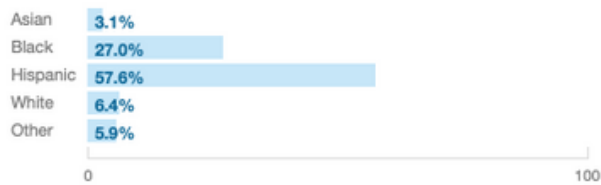


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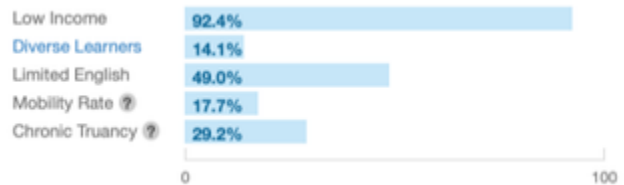
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Demographics



Statistics



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Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic

"Following the state closure of schools due to COVID-19, JRJF stepped right in to support our families! Our 8th graders and our Read with Me students all received iPads (that they could keep) to assist us with leveling the digital divide that exists in low income households all across the district. That was a HUGE burden lifted! Many of our families did not have any technological equipment outside of a cellular device to access the remote learning. Additionally, they still offered our students STEAM workshops to maintain the normalcy and routines set prior to the closure. All of this combined helped our students to apply academic skills and achieve at high levels of success."

- Principal Latoya Lyons, William H. Brown STEM Magnet School

"The James R. Jordan Foundation was able to provide iPads and virtual Vision for Families workshops for our 8th grade scholars and families during our transition to remote learning, ensuring that the graduating class would stay connected and continue to prepare for high school. Students in 2nd and 3rd grade continued to receive literacy intervention through the JRJF program Read with Me via Google Meets, continuing the work that began in person during the fall."

- Dr. Regina Roberts, Principal of Sherman School of Excellence

"The James R. Jordan Foundation continues advocating for our most vulnerable students by providing the support that is much needed, particularly during the challenging time we are still facing. The STEAM program includes virtual pop-up sessions where our students have been academically developed on important and current topics such as Finance, Goal Post Projects, Medical Field Career, etc. The STEAM program also brought an incredible opportunity for our middle scholars by implementing the Code Beats Club Afterschool Program, with weekly sessions where students. This is an educational experience that introduces students to media technology and coding."

- Principal Gilberto Piedrahita, Jordan Community Public School



Dr. Heather Hampton

Principal of Dett Elementary School

Clickable Interview Left:

"Dett Elementary School went from a Level 3 to a Level 2+ this year. The only way we were able to make that type of growth in one year was because of the literacy, Visions for Families, and S.T.E.A.M. programs from the James R. Jordan Foundation."

Pictured Right: Latoya Lyons

Principal of William H. Brown STEM Magnet School

"The community and students at William H. Brown School are incredibly thankful for the continued partnership with the James Jordan Foundation and look forward to a bright future together and all that is to come."



Pictured Left: Gilberto Piedrahita

Principal of Jordan Community Public School

"Something that James R. Jordan Foundation and Jordan Community School have in common is the strong belief that any child is capable of succeeding and being prepared for career readiness regardless of their socio-economic status."



Pictured Right: Dr. Regina Roberts

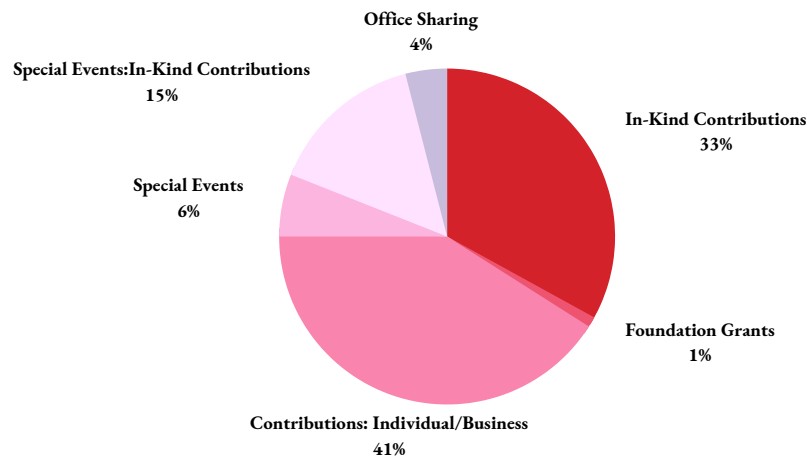
Principal of Sherman School of Excellence

"Our Parents Advisory Council (PAC) continued to work with the Vision for Families program to provide virtual monthly programming for the parents in the Sherman community to help strengthen parent relationships at home and at school."

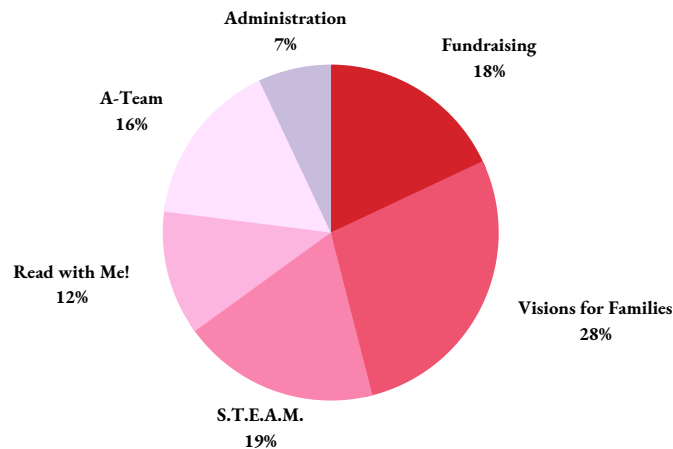


JRJF Financial Highlights

FY 2020 Revenue by Source



FY 2020 Functional Expense Breakdown by Program



Strong Fiscal Management

It is essential that we continue to promote our standard of excellence, as well as maintain the strong relationships with our partners and the community by managing a transparent and fiscally responsible policy of financial accountability. To achieve and maintain fiscal stability, the Foundation's goals and objectives serve as the blueprint for its financial management policies. All resources are effectively used in a fiscally responsible manner to ensure adequate funding for the services, programming, and infrastructure necessary to meet the Foundation's present and future needs. We are a 501(C)3 nonprofit charitable organization and we depend on the generous support of our partners and friends. We are grateful for your contributions.

Operating Resourcefully

Program Supplies

Using donated, reused, or recycled supplies keeps cost low on program expenses.

Office Sharing and Occupancy

Sharing space with James R Jordan Foundation International positively impacts the bottom line.

Administrative Costs

Effectively maintaining development and administrative costs at a minimum allows us to invest 93% of every dollar into programmings for our students and families.

Fund Development

Relationships with new and existing partners allow us to support the needs of the programs and maintain strong fiscal accountability.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of James R. Jordan Foundation:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of James R. Jordan Foundation (an Illinois not-for-profit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2020, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of James R. Jordan Foundation as of June 30, 2020, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Rosalie J. Freidlin Ltd.
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Oak Park, Illinois
September 02, 2020

Make a lasting investment...

Invest in a long-term partnership with the James R. Jordan Foundation to help youth and families at our partner schools take advantage of opportunities to learn and grow, improving their chances of success and contributions to their community, city and the global context as innovative leaders.

- **Recognize contributions** others have made to your life by investing in a life.
- **Create a lasting legacy** through a long-term partnership and giving plan and get a priceless return on your investment.
- **Double your impact** through an employer-sponsored matching gift program and volunteerism.
- **Give** gifts of appreciated stock or securities. **Benefit** from a significant income tax deduction.
- **Partner for impact and visibility** through Corporate Sponsorships and individual giving. Endow A-Team Scholars, host Vision for Families events, or support S.T.E.A.M. education. In-kind contributions are welcomed.
- **Volunteer or Mentor**, giving of your time, your talent and yourself to inspire and empower students and their families.



Pictured Above: Tyrese Washington, an 8th grade student at R. Nathaniel Dett, received an iPad through JRJF's Loan to Own Program.

Invest Today!

Partner Schools and Communities

Serving students and families in underserved communities and schools

- **William H. Brown STEM Magnet School** (Westhaven)
- **R. Nathaniel Dett Elementary School** (Westhaven)
- **Sherman School of Excellence** (Englewood)
- **Jordan Elementary Community School** (Rogers Park)



For more information about our organization and how you can partner with us visit www.jamesjordanfoundation.com or contact us at by phone at 312-751-9696

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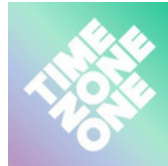
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