



Hand in Hand: Video Resources for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students

Thanks to a partnership with the Laurent Clerc National Deaf Education Center at Gallaudet University, the Washington Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Youth (CDHY), and Junior Achievement, a series of basic financial literacy concept videos for the deaf and hard of hearing students have been developed. The videos are available to all JA Areas, public and private schools, and families.

Utilize the information below to help determine if students in your JA Area, classroom, or family might benefit from them.

The JA Hand in Hand Video Series:

- Builds a foundation of basic and key financial literacy terms included in JA's core elementary program curriculum
- Supports deaf learning needs and accessibility through American Sign Language, close captioning, and audio
- Allows students to learn foundational concepts in a virtual setting which helps them connect new knowledge to their personal experiences
- Inspires students to see their boundless potential by sharing examples and success stories of individuals from the deaf and hard of hearing community
- Includes 12 videos that can be utilized during in-person or virtual classroom sessions, for family support, individual learning

For whom were the videos developed?

- The videos were developed for deaf and hard of hearing students and as a resource for educators to use in the classroom.
- Videos help students build an entry-level foundation of financial literacy and economic terms.

Who was involved in creating the videos?

- Cathy Corrado, Educator of the Deaf, CDHY and Pam Snedigar, Director of Gallaudet University Regional Center – West, led the development and collaborated with Kyle Seago, Seago Media (www.seagomedia.com), to produce the videos using the JA elementary school curricula to create discussions around the core content.
- Billy Seago, a professional deaf actor, acts as host for each video and engages with diverse community members to provide real world examples that deaf students can relate to. Guests were selected to highlight a variety of relevant basic financial and economic topics.
- Videos were filmed at the JA BizTown in Auburn, Washington, home of JA of Washington.

When will the videos be available? How can I access them?

- The full set of videos are available now on the CDHY and Gallaudet websites. The videos will be officially announced and shared via press release and social media outlets in April 2022.
- An overview of the partnership and links to both the Gallaudet and CDHY websites will be provided on <https://jausa.ja.org/>.

What concepts are included in the videos?

- The set of 12 videos incorporate topics aligned with financial literacy, work and career readiness and entrepreneurship pathways. Concepts include making choices, citizenship, banking and money, owning a business, being an entrepreneur, getting a job, and more.

I have a question, who can I contact?

- CDHY: email outreach.services@cdhy.wa.gov or www.cdhy.wa.gov
- Laurent Clerc National Deaf Education Center at Gallaudet University, Gallaudet University Regional Center - West at national.outreach@gallaudet.edu
- Junior Achievement: find an office near you at <https://jausa.ja.org/about/locations>