

SME Junior Board 2026-27

Why: Jr. Board is the best way for students to learn about a local nonprofit of their choice and make a difference with a team. It gives participants the opportunity to award nonprofits grants simply by giving a presentation.

What: Study a local nonprofit organization and create a presentation for a panel of judges to compete for a grant to award to your selected nonprofit (*grant values vary based on team place*).

Who: You and your team of up to 6 students total. Yes, it can be you and your friends! If you would like to participate but don't have a team, please let the Jr. Board Executives know, and they will place you on a team.

When: Each Jr. Board team will study their selected nonprofit on their own schedule, planning their own team meetings in order to meet each deadline up until the final presentation. Unlike Jr. Board at Indian Hills, we do not meet every week — however, visits to organizations to meet and collect information, volunteer, etc. and meetings to plan presentations will be organized by individual teams on their own time and with their own transportation. Throughout the year, there are a few mandatory meetings, where at least two members from each team are required to attend. see specific dates below. The purpose of these meetings is for Execs to check in on groups and help with presentations along the way.

- **Deadlines (Tentative):**
 - o Deadline for all work (content completed) by **March 2nd**
 - o Mandatory rehearsal is week of **March 29**
 - o Final presentations are scheduled for **the first/second week of April**

Dates, Deadlines and Scheduling

September 22 (seminar): Informational meeting for students who are NEW to SME Junior Board.

September 29 (seminar): First meeting - we'll discuss choosing an organization and teams.

October 9: Team Registration due to the SHARE room (4th floor - north stairwell).

October 27 (seminar): Showcase successful presentations and how to perform financial research.
Main program chosen.

Winter Break: great time for site visits (*if you haven't already*).

January 12 (seminar): (post Winter Break meeting) check on site visit progress (completed or scheduled), get overall progress, emotional connections

----Site visit done by Martin Luther King Jr Day ----

February 9 (seminar): How to create good slides, tips for presentation skills.

March 2 (seminar): Main info and research due, slides started, bulk of info due. Optional check-in meeting if you have questions/ need guidance.

Week of March 29 -- Rehearsals, days/times TBD based on # of teams.

Week of April 5 or 12 -- Presentations, days/times TBD based on # of teams.

Questions?

Don't hesitate to contact one of our Executives:

Merryn Rupp (913)-530-0735

Katharine Sally (913)-977-8965

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Team Registration Form-Due to the SHARE room by **October 9th.**

If you don't have a group - please write your name and grade here if you are interested in participating, but you don't have a group yet! _____

TEAM CAPTAIN _____

First & Last Name

Phone

Email

(Will receive more info and is responsible for assuring meeting attendance, etc.)

Team Details:

- Minimum of 3, maximum of 6 team members is ideal.
- **Team must be committed* prior to choosing a charity to represent.**
- *Commitment = reading the expectations listed on the back/below. As well as signing below!

Teammate #2: _____

First & Last Name

Phone

Email

Signature _____

Teammate #3: _____

First & Last Name

Phone

Email

Signature _____

Teammate #4: _____

First & Last Name

Phone

Email

Signature _____

Teammate #5: _____

First & Last Name

Phone

Email

Signature _____

Teammate #6: _____

First & Last Name

Phone

Email

Signature _____

- ALL MEETINGS WILL BE DURING THE FIRST SESSION OF SEMINAR!