



What: 10th Annual Career Jam

When: Event Day: **Thursday, May 21, 2026 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm** ~ Rain or Shine!
Set-up Day: Wednesday, May 20 from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Where: Watertown Municipal Arena, Agricultural Hall, & surrounding grounds

Dear Community Partner,

Our 10th Annual Career Jam is scheduled & **we need your help!** We need businesses to set up interactive booths that showcase for our youth what careers are available locally! Your participation will allow our students to examine the occupations we have right here in the North Country.

Please:

- Complete the online registration form at <https://forms.gle/eYLvPT8qy4d6fVDb7> as soon as possible to reserve your spot!
- If you have any issues accessing or filling the registration form, please contact Nana Smith at 315-786-3691 or nsmith@jeffersoncountyny.gov!
- Interested in attending, but not sure what to do for an activity? Return your registration & list “assistance needed” under Activity. We will contact you to brainstorm ideas!

What is Career Jam?

- A one-day, hands-on career exploration event for 8th grade students
- Designed to highlight **local** careers in the **new 14 Career Clusters**.
Visit <https://careertech.org/career-clusters> or scan the QR code for more info! →
- Engages students & encourages them to look at careers available in the North Country
- Don't forget ~ we provide **FREE** morning refreshments, **FREE** lunch, & the event is always **FREE!**



Why 8th grade students?

- 9th grade is too late...Students must choose their high school tracks at the end of 8th grade.
- By focusing on 8th graders, our goal is to give students the info they need to make an informed choice on what to take in high school.

Volunteering and Donations!

- There is **never a fee** to participate! However, the average cost of this event is \$16,000.
- If you'd like to help with these costs, please send a check payable to Jefferson-Lewis WDB with “Career Jam” in the memo section. All donations received go directly to this event. If there are monies left over after the event, they are saved for the next year!
- We also need **Volunteers!** If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Anne at 315-786-3653 or agarno@jeffersoncountyny.gov.

Thank you for helping with this very important event & we're looking forward to seeing you at Career Jam!

The Career Jam Committee!

REGISTRATION FORM

Business Name	Dept. Name (If applicable)
Main Contact	Event Contact
Phone #	Phone #
Email	Email

Career Cluster: Please indicate the fields that your business or organizations represents.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Manufacturing | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Healthcare & Human Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts, Entertainment & Design | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality, Events & Tourism |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Management & Enterprise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Digital Technology | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing & Sales |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Service & Safety |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy & National Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Supply Chain & Transportation |

Set-Up Information:

Booth placement: Indoors ___ Outdoors ___ Will you need electricity? Yes ___ No ___
Booth size: 10x10 ___ 10x20 ___ 10x30 ___ Other (please specify size) _____

Lunch: Lunch will be a sub/sandwich, chips & a cookie or brownie & delivered to your booth.
Number of lunches needed: Turkey ___ Ham ___ Roast Beef ___ Vegetarian ___

Tables & Chairs: Please list how many tables & chairs you will need: Tables ___ Chairs ___

Activity: What activity or activities will you be setting up at the event? If you're not sure, write "assistance needed" below & return the registration form. This allows us to save space for you & have an accurate account of participating businesses. We will reach out to help you brainstorm ideas for the event!

Please return registration form to nsmith@jeffersoncountyny.gov no later than 5/8/26!

Please note ~ Community Partners will need to bring their own extension cords & tablecloths for the event. We also recommend that Outside vendors bring a tent for rain or shade & sunblock!



If you have any questions, please reach out to Anne at:
agarno@jeffersoncountyny.gov or 315-786-3653

