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More than 50 Webster bankers spend day with Tinker Elementary School students highlighting financial literacy

WATERBURY, Conn., May 23, 2019 – More than 50 [Webster Bankers](#) spent a recent school day teaching financial literacy to students at Waterbury’s Tinker Elementary School, the largest JA in a Day event of 2019 for the Bank.

This was the tenth year Webster sent its large team of bankers to Tinker Elementary School for this event, which was coordinated through a partnership with Junior Achievement (JA) of Southwest New England. The volunteer instructors worked alone or in pairs with students in kindergarten through fifth grade.

“Webster Bank is truly an amazing partner,” said Jeremy Race, JA of Southwest New England President and CEO. “Their commitment to JA and Tinker is inspiring and we are proud to work side by side with Webster Bank volunteers each year to bring financial literacy to life for hundreds of students.”

Junior Achievement is the world's largest organization dedicated to educating students about workforce readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy through experience-based, hands-on programs.

Desiree Wolfe, senior vice president, product management in Community Banking, and a longtime Webster JA volunteer, greeted the volunteers before they fanned out to their assigned classrooms. Wolfe praised all involved for their willingness to spend time with the students to advance the JA curriculum.

“Giving of ourselves in the communities we serve is part of our core values at Webster,” said John Guy, executive vice president and head of Business Banking at Webster. Guy and Nitin Mhatre, executive vice president and head of Community Banking are both members of the board of JA of Southwest New England. “JA in a Day gives our bankers the opportunity to spend time with the students helping them learn more about finance, how businesses work and expanding their understanding of financial literacy.”

Guy also visited each of the classrooms and spent time with the teachers and observing the lesson plans.

Webster participates in a number of JA activities across its footprint, including recent JA in a Day events in CT at Shelton Intermediate School and Smalley Academy in New Britain.

Webster has a long history of supporting Junior Achievement and its efforts to deliver K-12 programs that foster work-readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy skills. Webster bankers volunteer for this opportunity throughout the year impacting thousands of students. With funding and support directed to all eight Junior Achievements from Boston to Wisconsin, there are also six senior leaders serving on their boards across the footprint. In addition to their leadership, volunteer teams provide classroom learning and participate in sponsored events such as bowl-a-thons, stock challenges and on-site experiences in our banking centers.

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PHOTO CUTLINE:

More than 50 Webster bankers spent a recent school day as volunteer instructors at Tinker Elementary School in Waterbury, Conn., as part of the “JA in a Day” program. This is the tenth year Webster has visited Tinker Elementary School to help students learn more about finance and how business works.

