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New Online Resources for Teen Business Start-Up Launched by SBA and JA Worldwide

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Small Business Administration today announced the launch of new online resources for young entrepreneurs at the *Mind Your Own Business* teen Web site www.mindyourownbiz.org, to help young entrepreneurs succeed in the world of business.

The SBA and JA Worldwide™ (Junior Achievement) have teamed up to develop three new *Mind Your Own Business* resources: a student activities guide, a volunteer guide, and an assessment tool -- Start it, Grow it, Own it! -- that serves as a companion tool to the student activities and volunteer guides. Each of these resources is available at the www.mindyourownbiz.org Web site, and is cosponsored by JA Worldwide.

Entitled *Make It Your Business*, the student activities guide includes an interest inventory and group activities designed to teach teens the fundamentals of business ownership. The *Make It Your Business* volunteer guide instructs group leaders through student business sessions that can be implemented in the classroom, in student clubs or in an after-school setting.

The SBA and JA Worldwide introduced the *Mind Your Own Business* teen Web site to provide support to the growing interest in entrepreneurship among teens, and to serve as a small business portal for youth entrepreneurs.

The *Mind Your Own Business* Web site introduces five easy-to-navigate steps on business ownership for the entrepreneurial-minded teen, each with helpful information for young entrepreneurs who want to start, run or grow their own businesses.

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