

# PENNSYLVANIA BUSINESS WEEK



## PA Business Week facts

- 197 Programs, November 1997 through May 2023.
- Over 24,000 students
- 18 High Schools have hosted the program in 5 Western PA counties.
- Volunteer hours average 424 per program, bringing an estimate volunteer time commitment over the past 26 years to 83,528 volunteer hours.
- An average of 80 educators per year partner with volunteer business advisors in the classroom.
- Business Week returned to Union City High School for the first time in over 20 years!

***“I learned the importance of leadership, teamwork, and how my future could possibly look if I were to continue on my path to business or financial management.”***

*– Business Week Graduate at Union City High School*

**Pennsylvania Business Week is the first in-school program of its kind in the United States.** Considered the pioneer in its field, business and educational organizations from numerous other states have implemented similar programs in their schools based on this model, created in Erie, PA.

**Americans for the Competitive Enterprise System (ACES)** is a non-profit, non-political, educational organization promoting the understanding of free market economics to students, teachers, and the general public through partnerships between the business and education communities. ACES has served communities in Western Pennsylvania since 1956.

## PA Business Week Statistics: 2022-2023

As a wrap up to each program, data is collected through student and advisor evaluations. This year's feedback yet again proves the positive experience and wealth of knowledge that the 1084 students gained from participating in PA Business Week.

*Percentage of students who said that Business Week gave them a better understanding of how a business operates in the American economy: **96%***

*Students who rated their Business Week experience as good or excellent: **93%***

*Percentage of students who said that Business Week raised their awareness of career opportunities in their local communities: **89%***



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