Jump Start Bridge (JSB) 2026
Overview, Future Goals and Budget

628 teachers from 40 states have registered 26,188 students to learn bridge in their classrooms. In addition, at the national and state conferences Jump Start Bridge is becoming a familiar and trusted exhibitor. Teachers are bringing co-workers and friends to our booths with the comment "These are the people I was telling you about!"

Our plan for 2026 is to:

- Continue to support our existing programs and build confidence in JSB.
- Encourage our school teachers to meet and work with local bridge clubs, teachers and players.
- Create city and state opportunities for interscholastic competitions.
- Continue our outreach at key math and gifted conferences where we have strong recognition and relationships.
- Continue to build confidence with the gifted and math teacher coordinators, curriculum specialists and school, city, county and state educational administrators.
- Search for corporate sources to whom we can apply for grants and build relationships.
- Encourage bridge players to reach out to
    - Educational sources to promote the program.
    - Corporate sources to promote the program.
- Encourage bridge players to become involved in supporting the opportunities to promote Jump Start Bridge in their communities, cities, and states.
- Expand our outreach to the homeschool and private school sector.
- 2-year plan to train associate director
- Identify and enable individuals in our bridge family to manage and guide regional area growth
- Formalize Jump Start Bridge board of directors.

Jump Start Bridge is a proven concept, building for the present AND the future generations! Please consider Jump Start Bridge when making your charitable donations for this and future years. **We need your help!**

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Program Budget Details

Training

- 10 - Professional Development and Training for School Teachers
- Booth Organizer Training at Minneapolis NABC

Teaching Material

- Books
- Table sets
- Supplies
- Educational Design
- Shipping

Conferences

- 15 - Math
- 10 - Gifted
- 5 - National and Regional
- 3 – Other (Homeschool, Charter and Private)

Marketing Direct marketing to school teachers

- Direct marketing to bridge players
- Support outreach efforts by local bridge players, clubs and teachers
- 8 - Regional Director Outreach Programs $80,000

Operating Cost

- Insurance, Accounting, Website, Legal, Miscellaneous

Administrative

- Director, Patty Tucker -$0
- Associate Director, Kevin Foley

Total 2026 Budget – $640,000

Present funding is in place for programs through the 2nd quarter of 2026.