

Dear Parents/Guardian:

Broward County Public Schools has designated Thursday, April 22, 2010 as “**Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day.**” This event is designed to help children between the ages of 8 and 18 learn about the array of job possibilities for their future and to educate them about the realities of work. It is an opportunity to expand learning from the classroom into the work environment.

Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day is an event that will assist students in feeling comfortable in the workplace, prepare them to communicate with future employers, and help them in forming ideas relative to career paths. A day at work will heighten the aspirations of students and help them to make the connection between academic success and success in the world of work.

Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day will provide the opportunity for parents and other adults to showcase their places of employment, explain their job responsibilities, introduce their co-workers, and present the various choices and opportunities which are available in the workplace. It will also give parents, mentors and workplaces an opportunity to demonstrate the importance and challenges of integrating work and family.

Our goal is to make this day worthwhile for every participant. In an effort to ensure that students benefit from this experience, a curriculum packet has been developed for elementary, middle and high school students. Several activities have been included for you to share with your child in the workplace. However, the packets will be available for you to download at www.browardschools.com/info/workday.htm.

The School Board of Broward County, Florida encourages you to participate in this national observance by taking your child to work with you. **If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Sandy Dorsainvil, Specialist, Career, Technical, Adult and Community Education at 754-321-8432.**