

**CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF #KIDSTOWORK** 

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## What is Take Our Kids to Work Day?

Launched in 1994, Take Our Kids to Work
Day is the most recognized career exploration
event in Canada. Developed by The Learning
Partnership, the annual event occurs in
November each year. It is an opportunity
for students to explore career options and
navigate their interests in a fun and engaging
way.

On Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Grade 9, Senior 1 (Manitoba), and Secondary III (Quebec) students across Canada will spend the day at the workplace of a parent relative, friend or volunteer host.

### **About The Learning Partnership**

The Learning Partnership is a Canadian charity that prepares students to thrive in a diverse, connected and changing world. We celebrate excellence, leveraging the best thinking from educators, business and government to deliver experiential programs for students that cultivate entrepreneurial thinking and innovation, and support social-emotional learning. Since 1993, we have been helping build the foundations for students to solve tomorrow's challenges.

### How do I ensure my child's safety?

It is essential that both students and parents receive information about health and safety prior to their workplace visit. Parents need to be aware of the work that their children are engaging in on this day and ask questions about the health and safety provisions.

Consult with your organization's health and safety committee to advise in preparation for November 6<sup>th</sup>. Information on workplace health and safety can be accessed on The Learning Partnership's website.

#### Where can students go for the day?

Parents/guardians are encouraged to invite their children to join them at work, but if this is not possible, there are other ways for your child to participate:

- Ask a relative, neighbour or family friend to take your child to work.
- Ask another parent who is taking their child to work, if your child can join them for the day.
- Contact your child's school and inquire if they can assist you with finding a suitable placement
- Contact local businesses and ask if they are participating in Take Our Kids to Work Day. Inquire if someone within their organization would be willing to host your child, providing you make the necessary transportation arrangements.

#### **RBC Future Launch**

Our youth are full of potential. With the world of work changing, we need to help ensure that they're prepared for what's next. That's why RBC created Future Launch, a program that increases access to skill development, networking opportunities, work experience and mental wellbeing empowering the youth of today for the jobs of tomorrow.

rbc.com/futurelaunch

# How can I create an exciting day for my child?

Speak with your HR department. Some workplaces plan larger events or have multiple employees bringing students to work. Workplaces can register on our website to access resources to help plan a great Take Our Kids to Work Day!

thelearningpartnership.ca



- Encourage your child to write thank you notes to those they worked with.
- Look for opportunities that may further build on what students have learned.
- Follow-up on whether the experience sparked future career plans.
- Complete some of the activities on the Take Our Kids to Work Day website.

### Are there any other resources my child can use?

**Real Talk** - Real Talk is designed to help students make better choices about their post-secondary options by offering them peer-to-peer perspectives, tips and advice from young people who have recently made the school-to-work transition – visit realtalk.careers

Virtual reality workplace experiences - These videos let students explore a range of work environments and meet employees who share insights on their jobs. They are available for free on YouTube and compatible with most virtual reality headsets - visit vrworkplaces.ca