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Take Our Kids to Work Day

November 4, 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians of Grade 9 Students:

The Richmond School Board, in cooperation with the Students Commission of Canada, is proud to be involved in this exciting initiative. Each year, more than 200,000 students across Canada participate with their parent/guardians in ***Take Our Kids to Work Day***. This year's theme is, ***Different Perspectives, Shared Direction***. Career Education curriculum supports students as they begin to identify and develop personal interests, passions, and competencies. Learning from work-related experiences helps to foster this growing awareness.

Wednesday, November 4, 2026, is the date for this year's event. Grade 9 students in Richmond will go to work with a parent, relative, or adult friend. Some students may go with a classmate's parent.

Learning first-hand about work and the range of career opportunities is an integral part of the curriculum. ***Take Our Kids to Work Day*** will provide opportunities for our Grade 9 students to:

- See their parents in different roles and responsibilities and understand what they do to support the family;
- Develop a closer dialogue with their parents or another caring adult;
- Enhance their understanding of individual jobs in the context of the diverse working community;
- Directly link classroom and workplace experiences;
- Recognize the importance of continuous learning in pursuing career opportunities;
- See the realities and demands of the workplace;
- Understand the importance of staying in school.

A day at work will demonstrate the relevance of classroom lessons to students and adults. The project provides companies with an opportunity to showcase their work and to connect with members of tomorrow's workforce. Employees can demonstrate how they work and the skills they require to work effectively.

What Can Parents/Guardians Do to Assist?

1. Please encourage your Grade 9 student to become enthusiastically involved.
2. Consider allowing a second Grade 9 student to accompany you and your child to work that day.
3. Talk to your friends and colleagues about this day and its opportunities for them to becoming involved.
4. Encourage your place of employment to endorse this program and to consider offering an invitation not just to Grade 9 children of employees but to other Grade 9 students who could benefit from the experience.

This initiative is a beneficial one from all perspectives – workplace, educators, parents, and most importantly, ***our youth***. Attached to this letter is a Permission Form for you to fill out. **Please complete the form and have your child return it the main office by Wednesday, October 28, 2026.**

Sincerely,

J.N. Burnett Secondary School
"Home of the Breakers"



"Our Focus is on the Learner"
SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 38 (RICHMOND)