

October 15, 2015

To Parents/Guardians:

The Learning Partnership's **Take Our Kids to Work** program is a one-day jobshadowing experience for Grade 9 students. It is an opportunity for students to make connections between connect in-school learning to authentic tasks in the workplace, as well as see the essential skills needed for work, learning, and life. Students also have an opportunity to see how a parent or other adult spends his or her day at work. Students who participate in **Take Our Kids to Work** day start thinking about the many choices available to them after high school. The **Take Our Kids to Work** day is happening on **Wednesday, November 4, 2015**.

The Learning Partnership is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to bringing together business, education, government, labour, policy makers and the community to develop partnerships that strengthen public education in Canada. More than three million students and teachers have participated in one or more programs of The Learning Partnership since its inception in 1994. To find out more information about The Learning Partnership you can visit <u>www.thelearningpartnership.ca</u>.

All experiential learning programs, such as field trips, job shadowing and Take Our Kids to Work, involve certain elements of risk. Injuries may occur while participating in this activity, without any fault of the student, the school board, or the host employer. By allowing your child to take part in this activity, you are accepting the risk that your child may be injured.

To participate, students must complete the **"We Need Your Consent"** form. This form is available in the Guidance Office or can be found online at: <u>http://www.thelearningpartnership.ca/what-we-do/student-programs/take-our-kids-to-work/surveys-and-resources</u>. A signed consent form must be returned to the Guidance Office by **Friday, October 30, 2015**.

Sincerely,

B. Bodkin Principal Waterloo-Oxford District Secondary School