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"Kids at Work" Day

Dear Penn Manor Families,

As a way to promote career exploration and awareness with our elementary students, Penn Manor elementary schools are planning a special day across the district.

On March 27, 2015, students will be invited to wear clothing that would represent a career that they may be interested in exploring as an adult. For example, your child may come dressed as a construction worker, doctor, teacher, etc. Please make sure that your child's clothing is appropriate for a day of learning and wouldn't distract other students in his/her classroom.

As an added component to the "Kids at Work" day, teachers and staff will be wearing their college, military, and/or trade-school gear to showcase where they attended for their post-secondary education/training.

Our hope is that "Kids at Work" day will be a great way to start conversations at home and at school about different types of careers, why someone chose a career, and what kind of training/schooling is needed to get started in a particular career. To help facilitate discussion at home regarding career development, please see the reverse side of this letter/attachments for some fun, age-appropriate career development activities.

Some local statistics show that at Penn Manor High School, about 65% of our students go on to 2 or 4 year college. 44% go to 4-year college and 21% go to 2-year college. About 7% of our students go directly into the military, and about 10% go on to a one-year certificate or training program. Fifteen percent go directly into the workforce. About 22% attend the CTC each year to gain a year of Technical Education during their senior year of high school to study fields such as: Residential Carpentry, Childcare, Culinary Arts, Medical Assisting, Diesel Mechanics, Automotive Mechanics, Heating and Air Conditioning, Large Animal Science, Dental Assisting, Plumbing and much more.

The Penn Manor Elementary School Counselors would like to thank you in advance for your support for "Kids at Work" Day. If you have any questions, please contact your school's counselor.

Sincerely,

The Elementary School Counselors

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