



Take Your Teacher to Work Day

Telephone Script – Solicit Location

Teacher: Good morning/afternoon, my name is _____. I am a _____ teacher at _____ School. I am calling about the *Take Your Teacher to Work Day* program. Do you have a few minutes to discuss how you can participate in the educational process of Sarasota County students?

Note: *Pause and wait for response*

Teacher: *Take Your Teacher to Work Day* is a cooperative effort of the School District of Sarasota County and the Sarasota Chamber of Commerce. It is designed to provide teachers an opportunity to experience an occupation of their choice for one school day. It is *career-shadowing* experience for teachers. While at the business, the teacher observes, discusses daily activities, and asks pertinent questions related to the industry/career. This experience allows the teacher to return to his or her classroom and provide the students with a realistic perspective of work habits, attitudes, and job expectations of a specific industry or career.

Teacher: Would you be willing to be a partner in this program by allowing me to schedule a career-shadowing day with you?

Note: *Pause and wait for an affirmative response*

Be prepared for business to ask specific questions about what the shadowing experience entail.

Teacher: Great! Which of the following three dates would work best with your schedule?

Note: *Use the Teacher Checklist to Document Business Contact Information after scheduling the date and time and gathering contact information.*

Teacher: I will call you a couple of days before **(date if visit)** to confirm this date. I look forward to meeting you and spending a day at **(business name)** so I may help my students better prepare for tomorrow...today! Have a nice day! Goodbye.

Note: *If your request is denied, please use this response*

Teacher: I understand. May I contact you at a later date to participate in a future *Take Your Teacher to Work Day*?

Note: *Pause and wait for response*

Teacher: Thank you for your time. Have a nice day! Goodbye.