

Safety Tips

Keep girls and boys safe on Take Our Daughters And Sons To Work[®] Day

Below are tips for handling safety and insurance questions. ·

- Always provide supervision to girls and boys using equipment of any type.
- Provide adequate safety and protective gear for girls and boys - including gloves, hardhats, earplugs, and eye goggles. Children may be a range of sizes - your workplace may need to borrow or purchase safety gear that fits younger participants.
- If you feel that parts of your workplace are simply too dangerous or risky, there are other great ways to include girls and boys in your day. They can spend time in the office instead of the manufacturing area, learn about issues of workplace safety, or go to work with a mentor in a different area of the company.
- Make sure that employees sign a consent form for their daughters and sons. It's important that adults understand the types of activities that children will be doing on the day. If there are tours of the shop floor, opportunities to take apart computers, or learn new skills - parents should know and understand all the opportunities that your workplace is presenting. Consult with your insurance provider or lawyer to make sure that your form meets local regulations.
- Because liability and safety issues are very region-specific, we encourage workplaces to become familiar with the rules and regulations in their community. In many cases, workplace visitors are covered by existing insurance policies, but this varies from region to region.
- Talk to your child's school. In many communities, Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work[®] Day is considered an official event. Most schools have liability policies in place that insure students for field trips and other off-campus activities. You should check the policies of participating schools and employers.
- Common liability areas include: transportation, chaperones, and hands-on activities. By checking school policies in these areas, you may find areas that your workplace needs to cover (i.e. many school insurance policies only cover students if they leave school grounds in a school vehicle). Go through these areas with your insurance provider - especially if hands-on activities involve girls and boys working with machines, animals, or media situations.