MTA Career Day 2001

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(March 29) The future of the MTA may come walking in the door on Thursday, April 5. That's when 175 students from five area high schools will arrive to participate in the MTA's seventh annual Career Day.

Professionals from many occupations within the MTA have volunteered to host the youngsters during a day of job shadowing and career counseling. Students will be assigned to volunteers who work at Headquarters, at the RRC and at the bus and rail operating divisions.

"Our goal is to attract young people to careers at the MTA," says Holly Balderas of Human Resources Development, who along with Benita Horn, coordinates the program. "This program allows the students to observe and participate in the real world of work."

The students are enrolled in the Transportation Careers Academy Program (TCAP) at North Hollywood High, Franklin High, Wilson High, Locke High and at John Glenn High in the Norwalk/La Mirada School District.

The day's program will begin at 9 a.m. with a welcome in the Board room for the students and their MTA volunteers. Following lunch, the program ends at 1:30 p.m.

Career Day is a key component of the overall instructional program within TCAP, according to Balderas. Among the transportation occupations the students will experience are urban planning and architectural design, engineering, government relations, human resources, public affairs and a range of technical applications.

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