

800 Girls Attend MTA's 'Take our Daughters to Work Day'

(April 27, 2001) More than 800 girls participated in this year's "Take our Daughters to Work Day," Thursday, at MTA Headquarters and at the operating divisions.

Accompanied by their parents, the girls attended career workshops on how to interview for a job, setting life goals and safety. They also met a group of the MTA's career women at an afternoon panel discussion.

Many toured the operating divisions, which also sponsored such activities as a scavenger hunt, guest speakers and demonstrations by firefighters and police officers.

A special guest at Division 10 was LA Zoo veterinarian Dr. Cynthia Stringfield, who discussed her duties at the zoo. At Division 15, the girls could climb rocks, use an exercise booth, add designs to a mural, play pinball and make crafts.

The daughter of a Division 15 maintenance employee won a raffle for a basket of career-oriented items that included a brief case, day planner and a book on "how to grow up."

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Serving themselves breakfast are (from left) Shoma Sanyal, daughter of Transportation Planner Prabal Sanyal, and Mariah and Jenevie Quevedo, daughters of Nellie Quevedo, an administrative aide in Management Audit.



Attending a workshop on successful job interviews were (from left, front) Nicole and Elena Lewis and Rachel Smith. Second row: Michelle Mahaffey and her father, Brian, a senior contract administrator.



Revenue Clerk Francisca Conant and her daughter, Ann, 8, pose for a mother-daughter photo for Kimberlee Vandennakker, coordinator of the "Take our Daughters to Work Day" event.



Dr. Cynthia Stringfield, LA Zoo veterinarian, answers questions about her work with animals during a presentation at Division 10.



Division 10 daughters were treated to a barbecue lunch. From left are Loren Reeves, Jose Bermejo and Fidel Hernandez.