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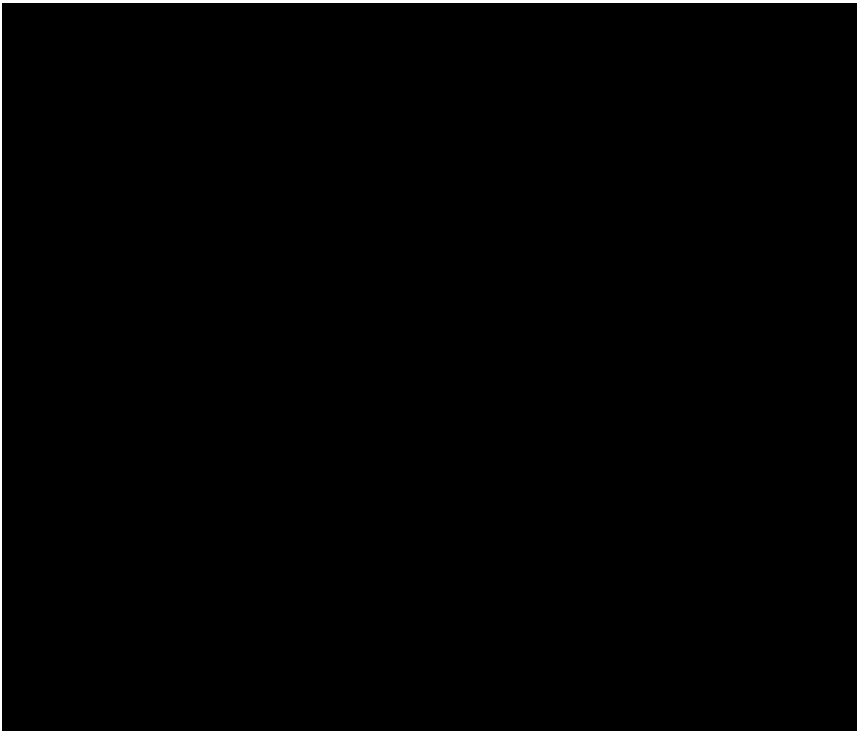
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## Metro Employees Talk about Transportation Careers at Normandie Christian Career Day

By Rich Morallo  
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(March 11, 2010) "Who rides Metro?" asked Makeba Rice in front of an excited first grade class at Normandie Christian School in Los Angeles.

A flurry of small hands flew up and Rice, an operator from Arthur Winston Division 5, smiled broadly. "Well I'm the operator of that orange or red city bus you see on the street and my job is to get people to their destinations safely," remarked Rice.

The Metro operator was one of several professionals participating in the school's Career Day last Friday and was making the rounds of elementary classrooms at the school near Normandie Avenue and Gage Street.

"Was the driver on the bus polite to you?" asked Rice and several students responded that they enjoyed the ride on Metro and started sharing their experiences.

Throughout the morning Rice talked before several classes, talking up Metro. "I like my job and I make good money, " she explained to the

students. Adding transit safety to her presentation, Rice held up a color poster of a bus and students playing on the curb she asked, "What are they doing wrong here?" Small hands shot up.

A volunteer for this community outreach assignment, Rice said it is important to talk to youth about careers. "We help give the young students structure and guidance to follow especially during this age when their minds are absorbing so much," said Rice.

Rice's own daughter, 13-year old Makia, took time from school break to accompany her mother. "Young students need to stay in school so when they grow up they'll have good jobs, " she said.

"I'm planning to be a lawyer or doctor or a brain surgeon," added Makia as she passed out Metro coloring books and crayons to the first graders.