



TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY



2025 Activity Brochure



University Health and Wellbeing
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY



Take Your Child to Work Day 2025

PLAN YOUR DAY AT MSU



**Asterisks below indicate that the activity/tour is limited to a specific number of participants per timeslot and will be offered on a first come first serve basis.*

Activities Available with Drop-In Hours							
1	WKAR Studio Tour Open House	8:30-11 a.m.					
2	Be an Artist at MSU Broad Art Museum	10 a.m.-2 p.m.					
3	Get a Spartan I.D.	9 a.m.-3 p.m.					
4	Mindful Coloring with WACSS	11 a.m.-1 p.m.					
5	Spartan KINja Warrior	10-11 a.m. & 1:30-2:30 p.m.					
6	Level Up Your Fitness with VR Fun! *	10-11 a.m. & 1:30-2:30 p.m.					
7	Let's Face It and CEE: College of Engineering *	1-4 p.m.					
8	Beaumont Tower Tour	1-3 p.m.					
9	MSU Dairy Store	11 a.m.-4 p.m.					
10	Mindful Button-Making & Community Coping Skills Book	1:30-3:30 p.m.					
Tours and Activities		8:30-9:30 AM	10:00-11:00 AM		12:15-1:00 PM	1:30-2:30 PM	3:00-4:00 PM
11	College of Law Tour *			Lunch on Your Own Central Certificate Ceremony - Shaw Hall		X	X
12	MSU Libraries Tour	X				X	
13	A Smashing Time with Nuclei		X				
14	Bug House Open House	X	X				
15	Clinical Skills Hands-On Lab Tour: Veterinarian Medicine	X	X				
16	Drop-in Snacks & Crafts with School of Social Work					X	X
17	Kids Caring for Community					X	
18	Department of Police and Public Safety Tour *	X	X			X	
19	African American and African Studies Tour		X				
20	Got A/V?					X	
21	MSU Supply Chain Puzzle	X					
22	Smell the Rainbow		X				X
23	ESports Kid-friendly Video Games					X	X
24	Droning on About Drones						X
25	Tour the Facility for Rare Isotopes	X					
26	Exploring Statistics and Probability		X				
27	Around the World in 60 Minutes					X	
28	T.B Simon Power Plant *					X	X
29	Reuse, Recycle, Compost, and Create						X
30	Radiology for Kids	X	X			X	X
31	Radiology Healing Gardens Scavenger Hunt	X	X			X	X



Event Details

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Parking Information:

Parking on-campus will operate as normal. If you have an employee permit, you can park in all designated employee parking spaces. If you do not have an employee permit, you can purchase a virtual daily parking pass for \$10 at [MSU Online Parking Services](#) or park in pay-by-plate/metered spots for \$2/hour, payment is due immediately after parking. View the [MSU Interactive Map](#) to familiarize yourself with campus. If you have any questions regarding parking, contact the MSU Parking Services at (517) 355-8440.



Central Certificate Ceremony:

Join us for the Central Certificate Ceremony from 12:15pm-1:00pm at Shaw Hall Basement Study Lounges. We'll be celebrating participation in MSU's 2024 Take Your Child to Work Day event with the one and only Sparty! Also enjoy an MSU Bakers' cookies and a certificate!

- **Shaw Hall - 591 N. Shaw Lane**
 - **Closest Parking:** Employee parking available in Ramp 1 or Parking Lot 41
 - Enter from either the rear entrance of Shaw Hall (riverside) or the front west entrance (Elevators/stairs are at the west entrance of Shaw Hall)

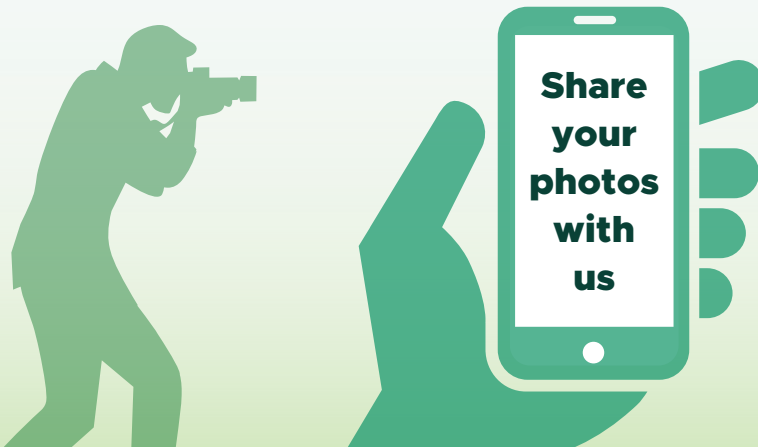
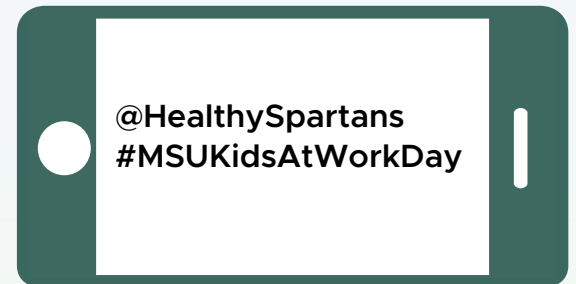


[View Dining Suggestions for Lunch HERE](#)



Photography Statement:

Please be advised, photographs will be taken at this event for potential use on MSU websites, social media, and in other MSU marketing materials.



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WKAR Studio Tour Open House | 8:30-11 a.m.

College of Communication Arts & Sciences

- **Communication Arts and Sciences Bldg - 404 Wilson Rd** | *Meet in South Lobby*
- Visit WKAR TV and radio studios for a behind-the-scenes look at WKAR. Home to locally produced originals including: Curious Crew, Off the Record with Tim Skubick, Curious About Careers, 90.5 Classical, plus Morning Edition and All Things Considered for mid-Michigan.
 - Pay by plate parking is available in the adjacent Trowbridge Ramp #5 (1149 Red Cedar Rd).



Be an Artist at MSU Broad Art Museum | 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

MSU Broad Art Museum

- **MSU Broad Art Museum - 547 E Circle Dr.** | *Meet in the Main Lobby*
- What do you want to be when you grow up? Learn more about the many creative careers in museums at this art-filled open house designed for MSU faculty/staff families. Tour the galleries to learn more about how we support artists by curating, installing, and sharing their art with visitors of all ages. Then practice thinking like an artist by becoming one yourself at our hands-on creation stations!



Get a Spartan I.D. | 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

MSU Information Technology I.D. Office

- **International Center - 427 N. Shaw Lane** | *Meet at the I.D. Office*
- Calling all Spartan families! Get ready to celebrate Take Your Child To Work Day with a special keepsake for your little Spartans. Bring your children to the MSU ID Office, where they can have their very own ID badge. It's the perfect way to showcase their Spartan Spirit and make lasting memories together. Go Green!
 - *Lines may get long, so pack your patience!*



Mindful Coloring with WACSS | 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Workforce Action Committee for Spartan Staff

- **Shaw Hall - 591 North Shaw Lane** | *Meet in Shaw Hall, East Lobby*
- The Workforce Action Committee for Spartan Staff (WACSS) welcomes Take Your Child to Work Day visitors with fun and engaging coloring activities. We will also inform on how WACSS supports a culture of equality, equity, engagement, and inclusion by providing a voice for staff at Michigan State University.



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Spartan KINja Warrior | 10-11 a.m. and 1:30-2:30 p.m.

College of Education - Department of Kinesiology

- **IM Circle Bldg - 308 W Circle Drive | Meet in Lower Gym**
- The Department of Kinesiology will host "Spartan KINja Warrior Obstacle Course," a fitness and physical activity challenge course in the style of American Ninja Warrior (minus the fire and water obstacles!). Children and parent/guardians of all ages, stages, and abilities can run, roll, or soar their way to victory in this fun, physical challenge sure to get the heart pumping and smiles shining. The obstacle course will be facilitated by KIN student leaders and faculty/staff.
 - *Please note: Come prepared with sneakers and comfortable clothes.*

Level Up Your Fitness with VR Fun! | 10-11 a.m., 1:30-2:30 p.m.

College of Education - Department of Kinesiology

- **IM Circle Bldg - 308 W Circle Drive | Meet in Upper Gym**
- Visit the PLAY'd Lab (Physical Activity in Youth with Disabilities) and see how virtual reality can be used to help you be more physically active, without ever moving your feet. You will have the opportunity to play several games on the Meta VR system while wearing an activity monitor. Dr. Hauck and her colleagues will talk about the importance of moving your body every day for 60 minutes or more. Appropriate for ages 9+
 - *Please note: The experience will take approximately one hour. Limited space available for each session (up to 6 max) - first-come, first-served basis.*

Let's Face It and CEE | 1-4 p.m.

College of Engineering

- **Engineering Building - 428 S Shaw Lane | Meet in Suite 3546 (CEE Conference Room)**
- Get creative with MSU Civil and Environmental Engineering. We invite our young visitors and future Engineers to stop by to explore an innovative STEM play set, a civil and environmental-themed coloring sheet contest, and/or face painting. Our engineers design roads, buildings, bridges, environmental systems, and more, which makes them artists too. Show us what you can do!
 - *Please Note: Face painting is first come first served basis. Participants will receive a treat and small grab bag; one per child.*

Beaumont Tower Tour | 1-3 p.m.

College of Music

- **Beaumont Tower - 375 West Circle Dr. | Meet at the north side of the tower**
- The MSU Carillon Program and MSU Tower Guard welcome Take Your Child to Work Day visitors for a tour of Beaumont Tower. Climb the tower's 74 steps and learn how our carillon (a musical instrument composed of tower bells) is played. Learn about the history of this iconic structure and enjoy a view of North Campus from the tower's upper windows.
 - *Please note: The tour includes a 74 step climb to the top. There are no elevators or restrooms available.*



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MSU Dairy Store | 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

MSU Extension

- **Anthony Hall - 474 South Shaw Lane** | *Meet in room 1140*
- The Dairy Store will be opening early (11am) and will have hot food lunch combos available as well as ice cream. You can also see where the ice cream is made from our observation deck!



Mindful Button-Making & Community Coping Skills Book | 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Employee Assistance Program

- **Linton Hall- 479 W Circle Drive** | *Meet at the back of Linton Hall in the courtyard*
- Participants will take a mindful break to assemble buttons while learning about stress relief and creativity. In addition, we will be creating a Community Coping Skills Book, where participants can share the coping strategies they use. Those who choose to leave their email will receive a copy of the completed MSU Coping Skills Book to help foster well-being within our community.



College of Law Tour | 1:30-2:30 p.m. and 3:00-4:00 p.m.

College of Law

- **MSU Law Library, 648 N Shaw Lane** | *Meet in the Main Lobby*
- The MSU College of Law would like to summon you to engage with the MSU Law faculty, staff, and students for Take Your Child to Work Day. We will meet in the law school lobby and showcase the law library, community legal clinics, and courtroom. Will your child want to preside over the festivities from the judge's chair or serve on the jury? Come be a part of Spartan Justice.
 - *Please note: Tours will be capped at ten families per time block.*



MSU Libraries Tour | 8:30-9:30 a.m. and 1:30-2:30 p.m.

MSU Library Outreach & Engagement

- **MSU Main Library - 366 W. Circle Dr.** | *Meet in 1st Floor Lobby*
- Ever wonder what happens in a university library? Come explore the unique collections, spaces, resources and hidden treasures inside the MSU Libraries. This interactive tour of one of the biggest research libraries in the U.S. will give you a behind-the-scenes look at the work of an academic librarian and show you some of our unique and distinguished collections and resources.



A Smashing Time for Nuclei | 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Facility for Rare Isotope Beams (FRIB)

- **Facility for Rare Isotope Beams Building - 640 S. Shaw Lane** | *Enter FRIB at our lobby door in the curved glass section at the NW corner of our building (next to Chemistry).*
- Get hands-on with a model “nucleus” that you can accelerate and smash to make isotopes that don’t exist on Earth, but might be made in stars. Try several demonstrations that simulate the research done in MSU’s Facility for Rare Isotope Beams!



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Bug House Open House | 8:30-9:30 a.m. and 10:00-11:00 a.m.

College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

- **Natural Sciences Building - 288 Farm Lane** | Meet in Room 147
- The MSU Bug House invites you to learn more about the wonderful world of insects. Enjoy hands on activities, interactive displays, our honey bee observation hive, and get up close and personal with our many live arthropod friends!
 - *Please note: There is no food allowed in the Bug House*



Clinical Skills Hands-On Lab Tour | 8:30-9:30 a.m. and 10:00-11:00 a.m.

College of Veterinary Medicine

- **McPhail Equine Center - 1131 Bogue St.** | Enter through Door #9
- The Clinical Skills Lab within the College of Veterinary Medicine would like to welcome guests into our open lab space. This area is where Veterinary professionals learn and practice hands-on skills. We have multiple models to help enhance the experience.
 - *Please note: The CSL building is next to McPhail Equine Center*



Drop-in Snacks & Crafts with School of Social Work | 1:30-2:30 p.m. and 3:00-4:00 p.m.

School of Social Work

- **Baker Hall - 655 Auditorium Rd.** | Meet in room 155
- The School of Social Work welcomes TYCTWD participants to take a break with us, get a snack, and work on some craft activities. This is a rest and relaxation break in your busy day.



Kids Caring for Community | 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Student Development and Leadership

- **Student Services Building - 556 East Circle Dr.** | Meet in room 110
- The Center for Community Engaged Learning invites you to join us for creative activities for a positive impact! Make inspiring art, design lunch bags to support individuals and organizations in need, and learn about ways that you can take action.



Department of Police and Public Safety Tour - 8:30-9:30 a.m., 10-11 a.m. & 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Department of Police and Public Safety

- **MSU Police Department - 1120 Red Cedar Road** | Meet in the Main Lobby
- We welcome guests to meet some of our officers and working dogs, tour the holding cells, view a K9 or CSI demonstration, and take photos of our police vehicles. We will have police officers and canines at this event!
 - *Please note: Tours will be capped at 10 family attendants per tour, on a first come first serve basis. If more than 10 families arrive for a specific timeslot, the remaining attendees will be encouraged to return for a following timeslot later in the day.*



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African American and African Studies Tour | 10-11:00 a.m.

College of Arts & Letters

- **North Kedzie Hall - 354 Farm Lane** | *Meet in room 203*
- The Department of African American and African Studies is 5 years old! Come check out our space and celebrate with us.



Got AV? | 1:30-2:30 p.m.

MSU Information Technology

- **STEM Building- 642 Red Cedar Rd.** | *Meet in STEM Room 1001*
- Join MSU AVIT integration for a behind the scenes walking tour of past and present Audio-Visual systems on campus. Play a 70's Atari 2600 video game system on a 24" tube television in miraculous full color! From Legacy film equipment on campus to cutting edge video server systems, see what it takes to install, support and operate athletic stadiums, classrooms, and conference rooms with a stop at MSU STEM building and Munn Ice arena. Tour Munn's main A/V control room and press box to see how game day magic happens.



MSU Supply Chain Puzzle | 8:30-9:30 a.m.

University Procurement and Logistics

- **Angell Building - 166 Service Rd.** | *Meet at the University Stores storefront*
- Every piece has its place in the MSU supply chain! Help University Procurement and Logistics solve the puzzle of purchasing \$1 billion in goods and services, storing items in our warehouse, and delivering goods and services across MSU's campus.
 - *Please note: Closed toe shoes are required.*



Smell the Rainbow | 10-11 a.m. and 3-4 p.m.

College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

- **Trout Hall - 469 Wilson Rd** | *Meet in room 106*
- The Food Science & Human Nutrition Graduate Student Association welcomes visitors to participate in an interactive sensory activity called "Smell the Rainbow". This activity will demonstrate how our sense of smell influences our sense of taste!
 - *Please note: Candy will be consumed as a part of this activity.*



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ESports Kid-friendly Video Games | 1:30-2:30 p.m. and 3-4 p.m.

College of Communications Arts and Sciences

- **Hubbard Hall - 964 Hubbard Drive** | Meet in ESports Competition Hub, Room G-23
- The Esports department within MSU College of Communication Arts and Sciences welcomes Take Your Child to Work Day visitors with fun and engaging activities and demonstrations of how technology connects our work and our world. Join us for kid-friendly games including Mario Kart, Minecraft and Fall Guys.

Droning on About Drones | 3-4 p.m.

College of Engineering - Civil and Environmental Engineering

- **Anthony Hall - 474 S Shaw Lane** | Meet in room 1257
- Imagine soaring through the air, getting a bird's-eye view of towering buildings, sprawling highways, and mighty bridges. No, I am not dreaming, I am piloting a drone on a mission to protect our infrastructure! Join us on an adventure where technology meets the real world. You get to see the miniature 3D printed models of real-life bridges, dams, and other structures analyzed by machine learning. You might just discover your future career as a drone pilot, engineer, or both!

Tour the Facility for Rare Isotopes Beams Tour | 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Facility for Rare Isotope Beams

- **Facility for Rare Isotope Beams - 640 S. Shaw Lane** | Enter FRIB at our lobby door in the curved glass section at the NW corner of the building (next to Chemistry).
- Explore a world-class rare isotope laboratory where nuclei are smashed into a target at half the speed of light! Our tour includes a 45-minute walk behind the scenes where nuclei are accelerated, filtered and/or studied. The secrets we learn could help explain what happens in supernovae and the origins of elements that make up the human body.
 - Please note: The tour route is completely handicap accessible and safe for those who may be pregnant or have medical implants.

Exploring Statistics and Probability | 10-11 a.m.

College of Natural Science

- **Wells Hall - 427 N Shaw Lane** | Enter C-Wing, 4th floor near elevator
- Join some of our faculty, students and staff members to learn about statistics & probability. We will have age appropriate problems to work on (some include candy).

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Around the World in 60 Minutes | 1:30-2:30 p.m.

International Studies and Programs

- **International Center - 427 North Shaw Lane | Room 201 (West end of 2nd floor)**
- Meet new friends from around the world in this global fair! You might learn how to say hello in Swahili or Thai, find out what Turkish or Peruvian students like for after-school snacks, hear what surprises international visitors most about Michigan, or discover how kids around the world like to spend their free time. Open your eyes to new places and meet people from nearly all the continents (no penguins, sorry).



T.B. Simon Power Plant | 1:30-2:30 p.m. and 3-4 p.m.

Infrastructure, Planning & Facilities

- **T.B. Simon Power Plant - 354 E Service Rd. | Meet at Power Plant office entrance**
- Power & Water would like to welcome families to come tour T.B. Simon Power Plant and learn all about combined heat and power generation. Get a glimpse inside the workings of a power plant and see how we make MSU run!
 - *Please note: For safety reasons, tours will be capped at 10 families per tour, on a first come first serve basis and will be starting promptly at the indicated time slots. If more than 10 families arrive for the first timeslot, the remaining attendees will be encouraged to return for the following timeslot later in the day. Please wear close toed shoes, long pants, and short sleeve shirts.*



Reuse, Recycle, Compost, and Create | 3-4 p.m.

MSU Surplus Store & Recycling Center

- **MSU Surplus Store & Recycling Center - 468 Green Way | Education Center**
- Go behind the scenes at the MSU Recycling Center and explore how Spartans reuse, recycle, and compost to manage campus waste as a resource. See what happens after you drop an item in the recycling bin. Meet the worms who turn kitchen scraps into plant food. Get creative with Spartan Upcycle and make a project with repurposed materials.
 - *Please note: For safety reasons, participants should wear closed-toe shoes (which may get a little dirty) and dress for the weather.*



Radiology for Kids | 8:30-9:30 a.m., 10-11 a.m., 1:30-2:30 p.m. & 3-4 p.m.

MSU Department of Radiology

- **MSU Radiology Building - 846 Service Drive | Radiology Atrium**
 - MSU Department of Radiology welcomes Take Your Child to Work Day visitors to explore the world of Radiology with MSU medical students. Learn how an x-ray and an MRI work!



Radiology Healing Gardens Scavenger Hunt | 8:30-9:30 a.m., 10-11 a.m., 1:30-2:30 p.m. & 3-4 p.m.

MSU Department of Radiology

- **MSU Radiology Building - 846 Service Drive | Entrance to Radiology Healing Gardens**
 - MSU Department of Radiology welcomes Take Your Child to Work Day visitors to the hidden gem on campus in the Radiology Healing Gardens for a scavenger hunt! There's a pond, a river, waterfalls, fish, frogs, a greenhouse, and space to reflect and explore.

