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Pennsylvania Courts Hold Fourth Annual Take Your Child to Work Day

HARRISBURG — Today, the Pennsylvania Courts welcomed children for their 4th Annual “Take Your Child to Work Day,” offering a hands-on, interactive look at state government and how the judicial system works.

“This event is a unique opportunity to inspire the next generation by showing them how the courts serve the people of Pennsylvania every day,” said Chief Justice of Pennsylvania Debra Todd. “By opening our doors, we hope to spark curiosity, build understanding and give students a firsthand look at the important work their parents do, while encouraging them to consider future careers in public service.”

Students began the day learning how laws are made during a program with Sen. Patty Kim and Rep. Tom Mehaffie, and hearing from magisterial district judges about how the court system works. Afterwards, children rotated through stations in Pennsylvania’s Judicial Center collecting stamps from various offices and departments with activities including:

- Conducting fingerprint analysis
- Learning typing and court reporting skills
- Meeting courthouse therapy dogs
- Discovering how AI is used in the courts
- Practicing job readiness skills
- How to identify scams

In the afternoon, children shadowed their parents and were also given the option to take part in tours of the Capitol building and the AOPC’s IT building in Mechanicsburg.

These events are part of the courts’ efforts focused on civics education. An [online civics education toolkit](#) aimed at educating children about the work of the courts, with resources on a variety of court-related topics can be found here. More information about the Pennsylvania courts are available via Facebook [@PennsylvaniaCourts](#), X [@PACourts](#) and Instagram [@pennsylvaniacourts](#).

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