Cornell Kids at Work

We're back with a new program: July 12 & 14, 2022!

After being virtual during the pandemic, Bring A Child to Work Day is back in person with a new look and new name - Cornell Kids @Work! Our team is excited to offer a variety of in-person fun activities for youths to not only learn about all the amazing work done at Cornell University but also to understand how to take care of and think about our future. Check out all the important information below. You can also head to our FAQ page for more details.

REGISTRATION IS NOW CLOSED.

Session Schedule

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Registration Information: 2022

- Registration opens at 9:00 AM on Tuesday June 28th, 2022. Registration will close on Friday July 8, 2022 at 5:00 PM. - REGISTRATION IS NOW CLOSED -

- Both days of programming offer identical sessions. Due to the popularity of this program we are limiting registration to only one day to ensure everyone has an opportunity to participate.

- Sessions requiring registration are age appropriate for 8 - 16 years old. Youths under the age of 8 may participate in our campus wide scavenger hunt.

- If you do not have internet or computer access during the morning of registration you may request to complete a paper registration and return to 130 Day Hall prior to registration day. A team member will enter your paper registration when the form opens, not prior. Also check out our FAQ page for other suggestions on how to register and more details about the
Tips for Parents:

- Talk with your child about what activities they want to do BEFORE registration opens on June 28th.

- **You can only register for one day of programming per child**

- We would recommend having a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice ready for each block of sessions.

- Some of our learning opportunities are very popular and are filled within minutes of registration opening.

- If you are waiting online for the registration page to go live at 9 am, you may have to refresh the page at 9am to begin interacting with the registration system.

- **Due to high volume of inquiries on the day of registration we will do our best to respond to you as quickly as possible. We appreciate your patience and understanding.** Please contact bring_a_child@cornell.edu if you have any questions, concerns, or accessibility needs.

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**Schedule for the Day**

**8:45 AM – 9:15 AM:** Check-In, Klarman Hall Auditorium (room G70)

Get your swag bag and check-in.

Photo opportunity.

Connect with other families and youths.

Breakfast available at surrounding Cornell eateries (on your own).

**9:15 AM – 10:00 AM:** Welcome Session - Klarman Hall Auditorium (room G70)

Welcome activity and Cornell Trivia with Corey Earl.

**10:30 AM – 11:30 AM:** Morning Session, pre-registration required

Head to your registered session, start the scavenger hunt, or do a morning Den Visit and show off your office space!

*Den visits are an opportunity to highlight your office building or work space. Introduce your colleagues and showcase your current work projects with your youth!*  

**11:30 AM – 1:30 PM:** Lunch on your own

Visit one of our amazing dining facilities for lunch – kids eat free with a paying adult. Please note these are the only locations offering kids eat free with paying adult.

- North Campus - Morrison Dining located in Morrison Hall

- Central Campus – Okenshields, located in Willard Straight Hall
- West Campus – Jansen’s Dining Room, located in Hans Bethe House
- Additional eateries and cafes around campus will be open. You can find their hours of operations on the Cornell Dining Now webpage

After lunch you can start the scavenger hunt, make a Den Visit to your office or explore another alternative activity listed below.

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM: Afternoon Session, pre-registration required

Head to your registered session, start the scavenger hunt, or do an afternoon Den Visit and show off your office space!

*Den visits are an opportunity to highlight your office building or work space. Introduce your colleagues and showcase your current work projects with your youth!*

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM: Alternative all day activities. Make your own plan!

Explore campus on your own!

**Campus Wide Scavenger Hunt:** Follow the scavenger hunt provided in your passport booklet, complete the activities and make a final stop at Day Hall for a gift and a chance to win a raffle prize! *If you plan on participating in the scavenger hunt only we encourage you to register through the online form so we’re aware of your participation.*

**Den visits** - take an opportunity to highlight your office building or work space. Introduce your colleagues and showcase your current work projects with your youth!

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM *Only offered on July 12th*

**Borehole Observatory:** Learn more about Cornell’s Earth Source Heat project located at the Borehole Observatory. Meet with the project team to check out the drilling site, learn about safety protocols and about the potential implementation of new technology to sustainably meet campus heating needs. Location: Palm Road E Parking lot off of Bookbank Drive or Solidago Rd

10:30 AM - 2:30 PM *Only offered on July 14th:*

**PowerHouse** - The Campus Sustainability Office, in partnership with the Cornell Cooperative Extension Tompkins County, is pleased to present the PowerHouse. A tiny home with a big message! Join us to explore hands-on exhibits and activities about household energy efficiency, renewable heating, and going solar.”

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**Scavenger Hunt - New to this year’s program!**

Explore campus in a fun and interactive way visiting popular sights and discover some cool displays on campus.

Here are a few things to know about the scavenger hunt:

- Even if you’re only participating in the scavenger hunt, we encourage you to fill out the registration form so we know you’re participating. Just click “none” for the sessions portion of the form.
Make sure to stop by Klarman Hall Auditorium (room G70) during check-in to pick up your passport booklet containing the scavenger hunt. You can also stop by the Day Hall Lobby after 10:00 AM to pick up a passport booklet if we missed you at check-in.

You can visit any spot on the scavenger hunt throughout the day. Make sure to complete the activity and get your passport stamped by a volunteer or fill in the trivia question.

Once you’ve completed the scavenger hunt, or anytime before 4:00 PM, visit us at the finish line in the Day Hall Lobby. A volunteer will verify you’ve completed the scavenger hunt, enter your name into a raffle, and send you off with a gift!

At the end of the day, even if you only completed 1 spot on the scavenger hunt, please visit us at the finish line in the Day Hall Lobby so we can enter you into our raffle.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION for Parents/Guardians and Accompanying Adults

Please contact bring_a_child@cornell.edu if you have any questions, concerns, or accessibility needs. Due to high volume of inquiries on the day of registration we will do our best to respond to you as quickly as possible. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times during programming.

Each youth participating in any programming during the day needs a parent/guardian to complete the Parental Permission and Hold Harmless Agreement. Once signed, agreements can be emailed to bring_a_child@cornell.edu or presented at the check-in table (located at Klarman Hall Auditorium from 8:45 AM – 10:00 AM) when you arrive on your registered day. You can also drop off your agreement to Day Hall Lobby after 10:30 AM. Every youth needs a signed agreement to participate.

Please take advantage of TCAT buses (accompanied by adult with CU ID) or your own personal cars but remember that parking may be difficult. Find more information about campus parking here.

The below Dining Halls are offering kids eat free with a paying adult. Please note these are the only locations offering kids eat free with paying adult.

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West Campus – Jansen’s Dining Room, located in Hans Bethe House

Additional eateries and cafes around campus will be open. You can find their hours of operations on the Cornell Dining Now webpage.

Participants will be engaged in many hands-on activities and walking from building to building throughout the day. Wear comfortable clothing and shoes in order to best enjoy this event.

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Looking for activities to do at home? Check out Cornell Kids @Home, our virtual “Bring A Child To Work Day” website featuring activities and learning opportunities from across campus, including the Lab of Ornithology, Cornell Wellness, Materials Research, Space Planetary Image Facility, Johnson Art Museum, and much more! There’s something for every interest and age group!