

James Island Charter High School



February 29, 2012 - Job Shadow Day

January 20, 2012

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Your child has the opportunity to participate in Job Shadowing, which is part of the new EEDA (Education and Economic Development Act). This act was designed to implement changes in the South Carolina educational system by developing a more focused curriculum organized around a career clusters system. Shadowing is a short-term educational experience lasting **four to eight hours**. It will introduce a student to a particular job or career by pairing the student with an employee of a business, industry, or agency. The student will be able to observe the employer as he/she performs normal work activities and will gain first-hand knowledge of the workplace.

James Island Charter High School **Job Shadow Day is Wednesday, February 29, 2012.**

The following information will help you understand the shadowing program further:

- Students see how school subjects relate to the real world.
- All required documentation must be completed and verified **prior to** the job shadowing day.
- The Job Shadowing experience will need to be scheduled by the students and/or parents with an employer in a career field that matches the students' interest. Students should not go to work with their own parent.
- School personnel will **Not** be present at the worksites.
- Parents or students provide transportation to and from the job site.
- Students are responsible for any make-up work.

****Absences from class are excused ONLY if:**

- Student completes and returns the Job Shadowing Agreement **by Feb. 22** to the Main Office,
- Information on form is completely filled out and approved,
- If approved, student will then be given a copy of the approved agreement and an Observation Form to take to the job shadow site, **AND**
- Student completes and returns the Observation Form the **day after** the job shadowing experience in the cafeteria for a readmit.

Please discuss the shadowing program with your child and **return the completed form by Feb. 22nd** to the JICHS Main Office. Should you have additional questions, please contact your guidance counselor.