



CEO Kids 2009

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Career Exploration for Kids Opportunities

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Dear Louis,

I love the process that begins with an idea and a dreamer. I feel privileged to have walked through your dream realized. I and the CEO Kids witnessed the power of, belief, persistence and competence and thus have had our visions strengthened and enlivened. Thank you for the experience of visiting the Banneker Group. Life has a way of creating seeds from experiences that are rich and generous. I am sure that when my students look back on their growing years you will be there as a reference point in their cultivated childhood, whispering, "go ahead try it".

We look forward to a fruitful association. When you have need of volunteers for one of your projects, look to CEO Kids.



We were Richly Blessed,
Donnah Robinson, CVO
The Cadence Group

Dear Mr. Gilford Jr.,

I want to say thanks for letting us visit you out in Laurel. You were very hospitable towards us. My favorite part of visiting you was talking to you and asking you questions because you were a very general person to us. What I mean is you didn't talk to us like you were giving us a presentation. You talked to us like we were having a conversation. It was really cool. Especially, the data vault room. I don't even know how he got that open!

From,

Kayla Waugh, A CEO Kid

Dear Louis Gilford

Thank you for letting us come to your business. I really liked how you were laid back and was not afraid to speak the truth. You answered our questions fully. I was satisfied with everyone there. I might consider construction or managing construction. I think I might be interested in drawing or building buildings. I might want to specialize in architecture. You have made me think of something else besides being a police officer and violence thank you.

Sincerely

Maxwell

Dear Mr. Gilford,

Thank you for letting us come and see your working environment. I liked seeing your office. I also want to thank you for taking your time to order and buy us pizza. I also thought it was nice of you to hold classes at your business for other people that might want to go into the construction. I also like the way you interact with your workers and you aren't like some managers' who won't even look at their workers.

Sincerely,

Aja Best

Dear Mr. Gilford,

Thank you for letting us go in your fantastic building. It was an interesting visit. Also thank you for the really good pizza. I'm glad that you were honest to us. I might be in construction when I'm older. It sounds really fun. Thanks again.

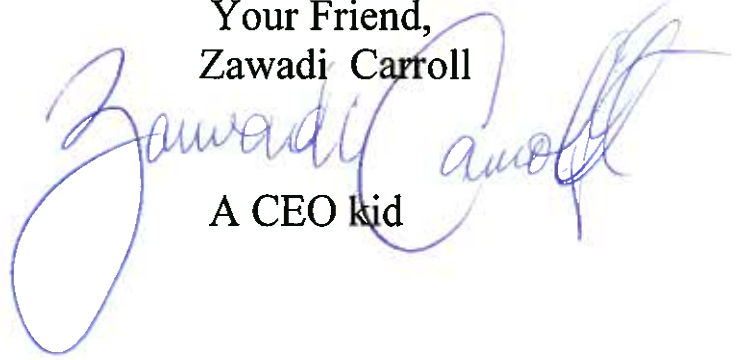
Sincerely,

Pius Cookson

Dear Mr. Gilford,

Thank you for inviting us to your construction company's head quarters. It was truly an honor meeting you and your incredible staff. I think it's really cool how you kept God in your life after he blessed you. I want to thank you also for the pizza, pens, and shirts. I think you would really be an inspiration to my 10 year old brother because he wants to work for a construction company as an architect. Are architects parts of a construction company? I never knew there were so many parts of a construction company. You taught me a lot during this trip and I would love to come again with my brother and mom. Thanks again!

Your Friend,
Zawadi Carroll

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Zawadi Carroll". The signature is stylized and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and a long, sweeping tail.

A CEO kid

Dear Louis,

Thank you for answering our many questions. I appreciate you taking us on a tour of your office building and providing us with lunch. You are very inspiring to some people and even me. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Autumn

Autumn Robinson

Sear Louis Gilford J.r.

Thank you for letting us come to your building and talking to us about your job. Also thank you for touring us around the building and opening the top secret safe with the top secret documents in it. Finally thank you for answering our questions with thoughtful answers.

Sincerely Zion Penney-Mekonen

p.s. call me if you ever need any help

Dear Louis Gilford Jr.,

I really enjoyed our visit to your office. I thought this visit was a once in a life time opportunity that no child should take for granted. Your business caught my attention because you have three themes instead one but the maintain it part made a spark in my head and I admire your desire for long relation ships. I never thought of being in this industry but now I think I'll give it a try.

Sincerely,

Thomas
Booker

Dear Mr. Louis Gilford,

Thank you for letting us visit your company. It was a pleasure meeting you and learning where you travel for work and what you do at your job. Thank you for giving us a tour of your offices. You inspired me to MAYBE make my own company of whatever I choose to be when I grow older. Thank you for everything.

Sincerely,
Savannah Congener

P.S. - I want to see your semi-retarded smile