

EARLY RELEASE PROGRAMS

Early Release

Early release allows seniors who have met CAPT requirements to leave before the end of the regular school day. Permission is granted only to those students who wish to earn money for future education, gain work experience, or take part in other education pursuits. If interested, those students may contact their guidance counselors for more information.

Cooperative Work Experience (CWE) (Credit)

Cooperative Work Experience (CWE) is a joint arrangement between Stamford High and the business community. Students attend regular classes for part of the day and spend the remainder of the day in a supervised work situation. The work must commence within one hour of school dismissal in order to earn credit. Students are paid, receive school credit, and are evaluated by both their employers and the school.

Volunteer Work Experience (VWE) (No Credit)

Opportunities to volunteer in a community non-profit setting are made known to qualified interested students on an individual basis as appropriate areas for placement are developed and become available. Students spend a minimum of five (5) hours per week, during release time, in a supervised volunteer work experience, preferably one related to their long-range career goals. Those interested should contact their counselors for more information.

Working Papers

Individuals between the ages of 15 and 18 years are eligible for working papers. The application form is available in the main office. However, new state regulations mandate that 15 year olds may only receive working papers for:

1. Summer vacation
2. Vacation, if more than one week

THE CAREER RESOURCE CENTER

Open to all students, the Cioeta Career Resource Center provides a broad range of information for all students regardless of post-high school plans. The Center has a wide variety of career materials, from newspapers to college catalogs on microfiche. The Center also has a computer terminal for college and career searches. College and Armed Forces representatives, as well as special speakers from the business world, meet regularly with students in the Career Center. Scholarship information is available on a regular basis. At times, local employees contact the Career Center with job opportunities. See your guidance counselor for information on events and/or to make an appointment for research.

The Stamford area Private Industry Council (PIC) administrator, in conjunction with CTE and the Stamford Board of Education, operates the School-to-Work Transition program. Qualified students can develop pre-employment and work skills needed for the job force.