



News Brief

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Representative Ritter Encourages Students to Apply for Summer Jobs

State Representative Matthew Ritter (D-Hartford, Bloomfield) joined Capital Workforce Partners and the Urban League of Greater Hartford at Hartford Public High School on Feb 28 for the 2012 Summer Youth Employment and Learning Program's "Sign Up for Summer Day." The is one of many "sign up days" being held by schools throughout the Hartford region to be considered for State, City and Foundation funded work experiences this summer.

Laptop computers were set up in the cafeteria so that students could fill out the program application during their regularly scheduled lunch wave.

As a lawyer himself, Ritter visited a bustling classroom in the Law and Government Academy wing. There, he asked the students what internship opportunities had already been presented to them and encouraged them to seek more opportunities.

Ritter explained to the Law and Government Academy students that there are different types of lawyers and that the students would never know what they were interested in unless they took on jobs, internship opportunities and explored their options.

"I work with municipal bonds," said Ritter, "I'm a lawyer, yet I never have to walk into a court room."

Over 1500 students in the North Central region of Connecticut had signed up for the application as of Feb 28.

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About Capital Workforce Partners:

Capital Workforce Partners is a regional workforce investment board serving 37 municipalities in North Central Connecticut. The board coordinates comprehensive programs for job seekers and employers, and its mission is to leverage public and private resources to produce skilled workers for a competitive regional economy. For more information about Capital Workforce Partners, visit www.capitalworkforce.org or call 860.522.1111.