



EAST HIGH EVENING SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Evening Program at East High School offered a full academic secondary education for young people who, for varied reasons, have had to leave their neighborhood high schools before graduation. It also provided special vocational training in its Employment Preparation course. This program offered a final opportunity for these young adults to finish their secondary education within the usual high school age span.

Students were treated as adults. They paid neither registration fees nor tuition. They were supplied with textbooks, workbooks, study kits, and review books. They were encouraged to take these materials home with them so that they could study and



learn at their own rates. Pupils who felt they were ready took either Regents or departmental examinations on regularly scheduled dates, regardless of the number of sessions they had spent in classrooms.

Every effort was expended to make each pupil feel that he was important as an individual. A staff of three guidance counselors advised the students and administered aptitude tests to help them choose appropriate programs.

A visiting counselor followed up consistent absences, and a visiting teacher went to the homes in an effort to help students overcome their difficulties. As a result of these efforts, pupil attendance was maintained at a high level.

East Evening High School had an enrollment of two hundred and eighty-five students in its spring semester. Its first senior class numbered twenty-eight, and twenty-five of those young people proudly received their high school diplomas last June. The venture