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Your Great Opportunity to explore the region's diverse schools and programs

Second of five School Choice Fairs in the Greater Hartford region

**to be held this Saturday, November 5 at the Learning Corridor/Commons Building, 43
Vernon Street, Hartford, CT**

HARTFORD, Conn., October 28, 2011 -- Want to explore the many great opportunities for your child's education within the Greater Hartford region? **Bring the family to the second of five Regional School Choice Fairs on Saturday, November 5, 2011 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Learning Corridor/Commons Building, 43 Vernon Street, in Hartford.**

The RSCO school fairs will feature booths and information about the dozens of magnet schools as well as Open Choice options for Hartford and suburban students from preschool to grade 12.

At the November 5th fair, parents, grandparents, guardians and students can chat with helpful staff at the Greater Hartford Regional School Choice Office (RSCO) and its partners, the Capitol Region Education Council, Hartford Public Schools' Host Magnet and Hartford Choice programs, Connecticut River Academy, the Suffield Agriscience Program and the Connecticut technical high school program.

"Our goal is to improve access for students throughout the region who may apply to public schools outside their community or district," said Jim Caradonio, RSCO bureau chief. "Through our five open houses held between October and January, families can learn about the many schools and specialized programs in our region that emphasize exciting educational themes such as arts and culture, environmental studies, science, technology, math, and engineering, global studies and social justice. The Greater Hartford Regional School Choice office provides opportunities for both urban and suburban students to get a first-hand glimpse of what these schools offer them and the process by which they can apply to schools that match their interests and skills."

A complete list of RSCO's school choice fairs follows below. For more information, call the Greater Hartford Regional School Choice Office at 860.713.6990 or visit RSCO's web site at www.choiceeducation.org.

The Learning Corridor/Commons Building

43 Vernon Street, Hartford

Saturday, November 5, 2011

9:00AM - 12 noon

Snow Date & Time: Sunday, November 6, 1:00PM - 4:00PM

Cromwell High School

34 Evergreen Road, Cromwell

Wednesday, November 16, 2011

5:30PM - 8:00PM

Snow Date & Time: Thursday, November 17, 5:30PM - 8:00PM

STEM Magnet School at Annie Fisher

280 Plainfield Street, Hartford

Saturday, December 10, 2011

9:00AM - 12 noon

Snow Date & Time: Sunday, December 11, 1:00PM - 4:00PM

Conard High School

110 Beechwood Road, West Hartford

Saturday, January 7, 2012

9:00AM - 12 noon

Snow Date & Time: Sunday, January 8, 1:00PM - 4:00PM