

# FAMILY GUIDE

## TO SCHOOL CHOICE in the Greater Hartford Region



Middle and High Schools, 2020-21

**Application deadline: January 31, 2020 (new)**





# **FAMILY GUIDE** **TO SCHOOL CHOICE** in the Greater Hartford Region

**Middle and High Schools**  
**2020–21**





# Contents

<b>The Regional School Choice Office (RSCO)</b> .....	iv
<b>Step 1: Explore</b> .....	1
RSCO Middle and High School Opportunities Listed by Town .....	2
School Locations, Programs, and RSCO Transportation Zone Map .....	3
RSCO School Choice Events .....	4
Hartford Region Technical High Schools and Agriculture Science and Technology Schools .....	5
Hartford Region Technical High Schools .....	6
Agriculture Science and Technology Schools .....	7
The Hartford Region Open Choice Program .....	9
Open Choice Districts for Hartford Residents .....	10
Open Choice Schools for Non-Hartford Residents .....	16
Magnet Schools in the Greater Hartford Region .....	17
Magnet Middle and High Schools .....	18
Magnet High Schools.....	21
Placement Priorities and Pathways .....	24
Magnet School Bell Time Alignment Schedule .....	28
<b>Step 2: Apply</b> .....	29
Frequently Asked Questions About School Choice .....	30
How to Apply .....	31
Applying to School Choice .....	32
Making Changes to Your Application .....	33
Application Assistance .....	34
<b>Step 3: Respond</b> .....	35
Responding to a RSCO Placement Offer or Receiving a Waitlist Notification .....	36
<b>RSCO Transportation Zone Information</b> .....	39
<b>Hartford Resident Zone Map</b> .....	40
<b>Location of the Greater Hartford Regional School Choice Office (RSCO)</b> .....	42
<b>Directions to the RSCO Parent Information Center (PIC)</b> .....	43
<b>Language Interpretation and Translation Assistance</b> .....	44

*Due to production schedules, information included in this catalog may change or be updated.  
Please visit RSCO's website at [ChoiceEducation.org](http://ChoiceEducation.org) or call 860-713-6990.*

## The Regional School Choice Office (RSCO)

The Connecticut State Department of Education's Regional School Choice Office (RSCO) offers you a variety of exciting school choice opportunities for student success. RSCO is your centralized resource in the Greater Hartford Region for information on how to explore and apply to a variety of high-quality and personalized Pre-K through grade 12 learning opportunities in diverse settings, focused on preparing students for college and careers.

Explore the RSCO website at **ChoiceEducation.org** to learn all about the Hartford Region Technical High Schools, Regional Agriscience and Technology Education Centers, the Hartford Region Open Choice Program, and the Greater Hartford Region Magnet Schools. We are here to be your family's guide to school choice!



**Website:**  
ChoiceEducation.org



**Phone:**  
860-713-6990



**Email:**  
rSCO.sde@ct.gov



**Visit:**  
450 Columbus Blvd., Suite P28  
Hartford, CT 06103-1841

### Three Steps to School Choice

1.

#### EXPLORE

Attend RSCO School Choice events and open houses, or visit the RSCO Parent Information Center or a satellite site to receive application assistance. Find all the information online at **ChoiceEducation.org**.

2.

#### APPLY

Start an application online at **ChoiceEducation.org** beginning November 1, 2019, select your school choices, and complete the application by the **January 31, 2020** deadline. Complete the Technical High School Early Application by **December 20, 2019**.

3.

#### RESPOND

Respond to RSCO placement offers or waitlist notifications by going to **ChoiceEducation.org**. Log into your RSCO application account and accept the placement offer or waitlist by the notification deadline.

# **1.** EXPLORE

## Hartford Region Technical High Schools and Regional Agriscience and Technology Centers

Town	CT Technical High Schools and Agriscience Programs	Grades
Hartford	A.I. Prince Technical High School	9–12
Manchester	Howell Cheney Technical High School	9–12
New Britain	E.C. Goodwin Technical High School	9–12
Bloomfield	D.F. Harris Sr. AgriScience Center at Bloomfield High School	9–12
Glastonbury	Glastonbury Regional Agriscience and Technology Center at Glastonbury High School	9–12
Suffield	Suffield Regional Agriscience Center at Suffield High School	9–12

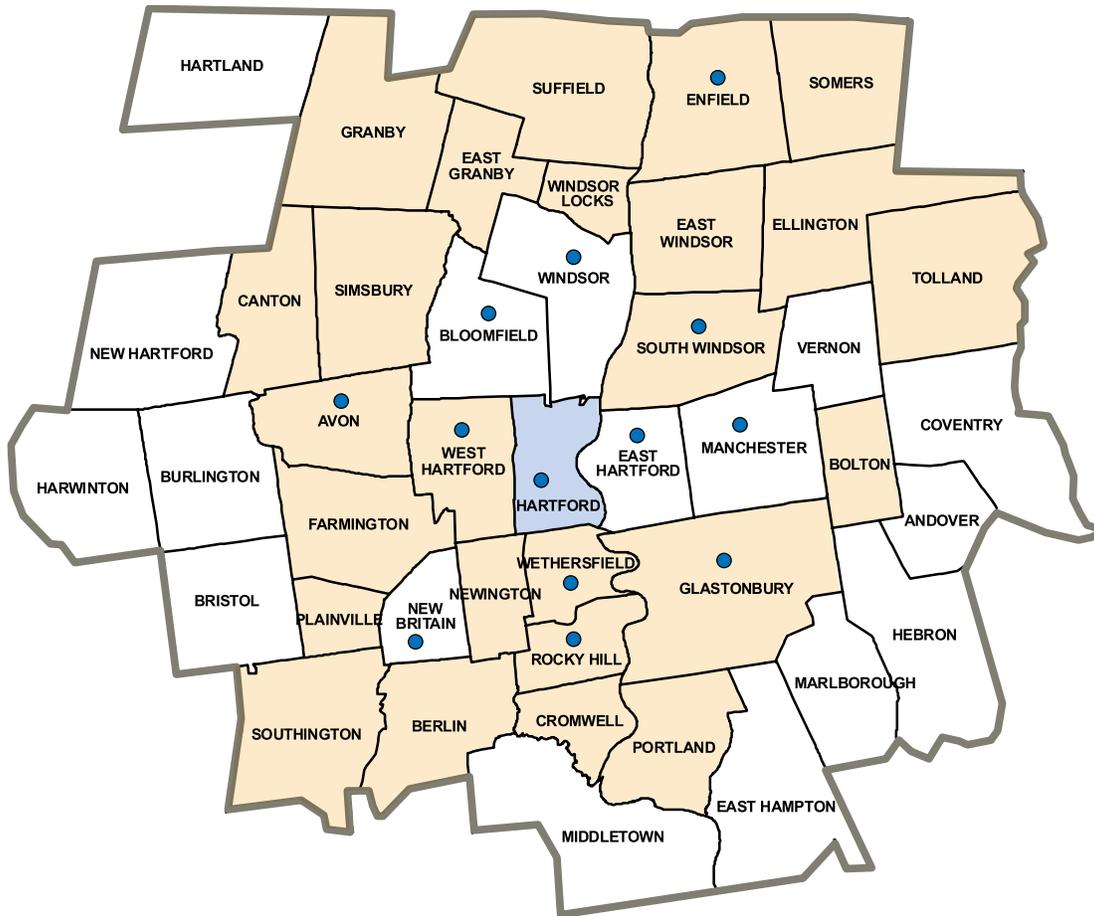
## RSCO Middle and High Schools by Town

Town	Magnet School	Theme	Grades
Bloomfield	Global Experience Magnet School	Global/World Travel	6–12
Bloomfield	Metropolitan Learning Center for Global & International Studies	Global Studies	6–12
East Hartford	Connecticut IB Academy	International Baccalaureate	9–12
East Hartford	Connecticut River Academy at Goodwin College	Environmental/Manufacturing	9–12
East Hartford	Pathways Academy of Technology and Design	Technology	9–12
East Hartford	Two Rivers Magnet Middle School	STEM	6–8
Enfield	Civic Leadership High School	Public Service	9–12
Hartford	Betances STEM Magnet School	STEM	5–8
Hartford	Capital Preparatory Magnet School	Social Justice	PK3–12
Hartford	Classical Magnet School	College Prep	6–12
Hartford	Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts – Half Day	Arts	9–12
Hartford	Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts Middle School	Arts	6–8
Hartford	Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts – Full Day	Arts	9–12
Hartford	Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy	Arts/Science	6–12
Hartford	Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts	Performing Arts	PK4–12
Hartford	Sport and Medical Sciences Academy	Sports/Medical	6–12
Hartford	University High School of Science and Engineering	STEM	9–12
Manchester	Great Path Academy	College Prep	9–12
New Britain	Academy of Science and Innovation	STEM	6–12
Windsor	Academy of Aerospace and Engineering	STEM	6–12

## Hartford Region Open Choice Program

Zone	Public Schools and Districts
Hartford Residents Zone 1	Avon, Canton, East Granby, Granby, Simsbury, Suffield, West Hartford
Hartford Residents Zone 2	Bolton, East Windsor, Ellington, Enfield, Somers, South Windsor, Tolland, Windsor Locks
Hartford Residents Zone 3	Berlin, Farmington, Newington, Plainville, Southington, Wethersfield
Hartford Residents Zone 4	Berlin, Cromwell, Glastonbury, Portland, Wethersfield
Non-Hartford Residents Open Choice	Hartford Public High School (grades 9–12)

# School Locations, Programs, and RSCO Transportation Zone Map



- Magnet Schools by Town
- Hartford Region Open Choice Program
- Non-Hartford Residents Open Choice Program

## Explore RSCO School Choice Events

The Regional School Choice Office encourages families to gather as much information as possible about the Hartford Region Technical High Schools, Regional Agricultural Science and Technology Education Programs, Interdistrict Magnet Schools, and the Hartford Region Open Choice Program. RSCO encourages families to attend RSCO Events (listed below), visit schools and take a school tour, and attend open houses and informational sessions.

Event	Participants	Date & Time	Location	Snow Date
<b>RSCO Fall Fair</b>	<b>Grades PK–12</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RSCO Magnet Schools</li> <li>Hartford Region Open Choice Program</li> <li>CT Technical Education and Career System (CTECS) Schools (A.I. Prince, E.C. Goodwin, Howell Cheney)</li> <li>Agriscience Programs (Bloomfield, Glastonbury, and Suffield)</li> </ul>	Saturday, November 2, 2019 10 a.m.–1 p.m.	A.I. Prince Technical High School 401 Flatbush Ave. Hartford, CT 06106	Saturday, November 9 10 a.m.–1 p.m.
<b>Goodwin College Magnet School Information Session</b>	<b>Grades 9–12</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CT River Academy</li> </ul>	Tuesday, November 12, 2019 6–7 p.m.	Riverside Magnet School 29 Willowbrook Rd. East Hartford, CT 06118	Thursday, November 14 6–7 p.m.
		Tuesday, January 21, 2020 6–7 p.m.	Riverside Magnet School 29 Willowbrook Rd. East Hartford, CT 06118	Thursday, January 23 6–7 p.m.
<b>Hartford Public Schools Education EXPO</b>	<b>Grades PK–12</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hartford Magnet Schools</li> <li>Hartford District Schools</li> </ul>	Saturday, December 7, 2019 10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Sport and Medical Sciences Academy 280 Huyshope Ave. Hartford, CT 06106	Saturday, December 14 10 a.m.–1 p.m.
<b>CREC Magnet Schools of Excellence Fair</b>	<b>Grades PK–12</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CREC Magnet Schools</li> </ul>	Wednesday, January 8, 2020 5:30–7:30 p.m.	Discovery Academy 176 Cumberland Ave. Wethersfield, CT 06109	Wednesday, January 22 5:30–7:30 p.m.
<b>RSCO Winter Fair</b>	<b>Grades PK–12</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RSCO Magnet Schools</li> <li>Hartford Region Open Choice Program</li> <li>CT Technical Education and Career System (CTECS) Schools (A.I. Prince, E.C. Goodwin, Howell Cheney)</li> <li>Agriscience Programs (Bloomfield, Glastonbury, and Suffield)</li> </ul>	Saturday, January 11, 2020 10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Conard High School 110 Beechwood Rd. West Hartford, CT 06107	Saturday, January 18 10 a.m.–1 p.m.
<b>CREC Open Choice Info Session</b>	<b>Grades PK4–10</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hartford Region Open Choice District representatives</li> </ul>	Tuesday, January 14, 2020 5:30–7 p.m.	CREC Central 111 Charter Oak Ave. Hartford, CT 06106	Wednesday, January 15 5:30–7 p.m.

## Explore the Hartford Region Technical High Schools and the Agricultural Science and Technology Schools

The Regional School Choice Office provides families with the option of submitting an application to the Hartford Region Technical High Schools, which are a part of the Connecticut Technical Education Career System (CTECS), and to the Agricultural Science and Technology Education Programs (ASTE).

### Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS)

Students entering grade 9 may apply to the Hartford Regional technical high schools, A.I. Prince, E.C. Goodwin, and Howell Cheney, which are operated by the CTECS. The technical high schools prepare students to be career and college ready. Students earn a high school diploma, certificate in their field of study, and career credentials such as state licensure and industry-recognized certifications. Opportunities are available for college credit, athletics, electives, and work experience. Applicants apply to all three (3) technical high schools as a region and rank them in order of preference.

### Agricultural Science and Technology Education Schools (ASTE)

The ASTE schools prepare students for college and careers in the fields of animal science, aquaculture, biotechnology, food science, environmental science, plant science, marine technology, agricultural mechanics technology, and agriculture business as part of their high school program. Similar to interdistrict magnet schools, several of these programs provide opportunities for students to receive college credit in high school. The ASTE schools are an option for students entering grade 9. Applicants do not apply through the RSCO application process. A separate ASTE application is available at <https://portal.ct.gov/sde-ASTE-apply>.



# Hartford Region Technical High Schools

## A.I. Prince Technical High School

Grades 9–12



**Address:** 401 Flatbush Ave., Hartford, CT 06106

**Phone:** 860-951-7112

**Admissions E-mail:** lisa.higgins@ct.gov

**Website:** prince.cttech.org

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

## E.C. Goodwin Technical High School

Grades 9–12



**Address:** 735 Slater Rd., New Britain, CT 06053

**Phone:** 860-827-7736

**Admissions E-mail:** ericka.torres@ct.gov

**Website:** goodwin.cttech.org

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

## Howell Cheney Technical High School

Grades 9–12



**Address:** 791 West Middle Turnpike,  
Manchester, CT 06040

**Phone:** 860-649-5396

**Admissions E-mail:** zyretha.langs@ct.gov

**Website:** cheney.cttech.org

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

Outdoor athletic complex including a state-of-the-art synthetic turf field.

### Academics

Students complete core academic subjects (English, math, history, sciences, etc.) as well as physical education, health, and computer applications. Students have the opportunity to earn college credit leading to a post-secondary certificate, associate, and/or baccalaureate degree through the UConn Early College Experience Program and Community College Partnership programs.

### Special Offerings and Features

- State-of-the-art facility and instructional technology
- School organizations and clubs
- Work-based learning program at worksites for students in grades 11 and 12

Career Offering	A.I. Prince	E.C. Goodwin	Howell Cheney
Automotive collision, repair, and refinishing technology	•		
Automotive technology	•	•	•
Automated manufacturing technology	•		
Bio-science and environmental technology	•		
Carpentry	•	•	•
Culinary arts	•	•	•
Diesel and heavy-duty equipment repair			•
Digital media			•
Electrical	•	•	•
Mechatronics		•	
Graphics technology	•		
Hairdressing and cosmetology	•	•	
Health Technology	•		
Heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC)		•	•
Information systems technology	•	•	•
Masonry	•		
Mechanical design and engineering technology		•	•
Plumbing and heating	•	•	
Precision machining technology		•	•
Sound production technology	•		
Welding and metal fabrication			•

# Agriculture Science and Technology Education

## Glastonbury Regional Agriscience Center

Grades 9–12



**Phone:** 860-652-7200 (main office) or 860-652-7200, ext. 11101 (Ag Center)

**E-mail:** callahanp@glastonburyus.org

**Address:** 330 Hubbard St., Glastonbury, CT 06033

**Website:** <https://sites.google.com/a/glastonburyus.org/cte/agricultural-science>

**School Uniform:** No

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

### Special Offerings and Features:

- Rigorous program of academics, honors, and advance placement courses
- After-school academic support
- Many opportunities for after-school activities in athletics, music, drama, arts and clubs
- Application process: Application due the first week of January. Applications can be obtained through your grade 8 school guidance counselor, online at <https://sites.google.com/a/glastonburyus.org/ghs/> under the GHS Regional Agricultural Science Center, or by phone request.
- Requirements: completed application, one letter of recommendation from a guidance counselor, one letter of recommendation from a teacher, one letter of recommendation from an additional teacher or community member, school transcript/records, most recent grade report, discipline and attendance records, and letter of interest from candidate

## D.F. Harris Sr. AgriScience Center at Bloomfield High School

Grades 9–12



**Phone:** 860-286-2630 x 1520

**E-mail:** jaglieco@blmfld.org

**Address:** 5 Huckleberry Lane, Bloomfield, CT 06002

**Website:** [www.bhs.bloomfieldschools.org/agriscience](http://www.bhs.bloomfieldschools.org/agriscience)

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

### Special Offerings and Features:

- UConn Companion Animals/Animal Veterinary Science/Apiculture
- UConn Floral Art/Landscape Design
- MDC, DEEP, and university and college partnerships
- Aquaculture/Aquaponics
- FFA International Student Leadership
- School-based entrepreneurship/research and supervised work-based planning
- Common application: [https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Academic-Office/ag\\_science/aste\\_common\\_application.pdf?la=en](https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/SDE/Academic-Office/ag_science/aste_common_application.pdf?la=en)

## Suffield Regional Agriscience Center at Suffield High School

Grades 9–12



**I CAN. WE WILL.**

**Phone:** 860-668-3810 (main office) or 860-668-3817 (Ag Center)

**E-mail:** llaflamme@suffield.org

**Address:** 1060 Sheldon St., West Suffield, CT 06093

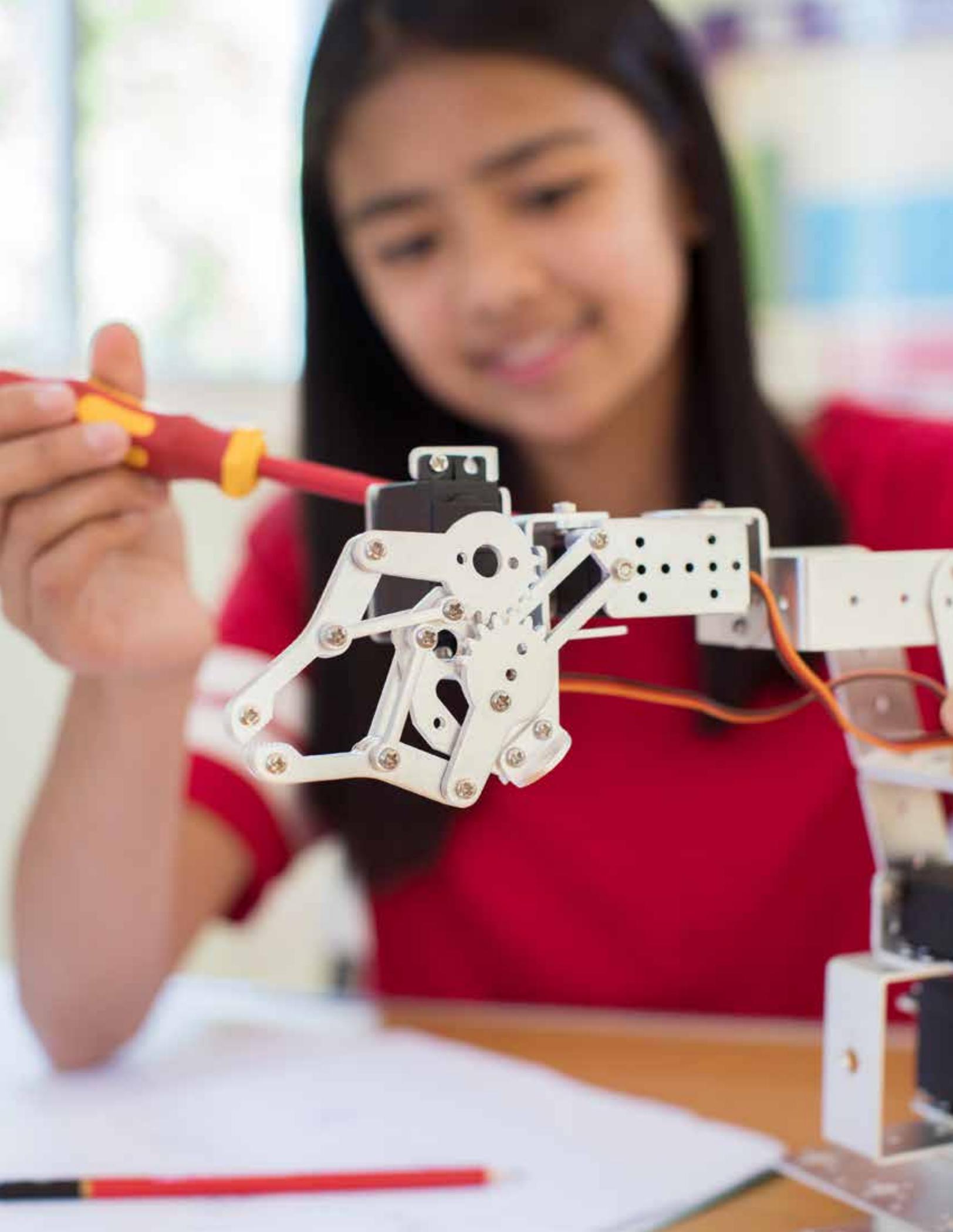
**Website:** [suffield.org](http://suffield.org)

**School Uniform:** No

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

### Special Offerings and Features:

- Rigorous program of academic, honors and advanced placement courses
- After-school academic support
- After-school activities in athletics, music, drama, art and clubs
- Application process: Application due the first week in January. Application can be obtained through your grade 8 school guidance counselor, online at [suffield.org](http://suffield.org) under Agriscience Center, or by phone request.
- Requirements: completed application, two letters of recommendation, school transcript/records, most recent grade report, discipline and attendance reports, and letter of interest from candidate
- Will accept late applications from students to support RSCO fairs that occur after our January 31, 2020 deadline



## Explore the Hartford Region Open Choice Program

The term “school choice” means families have an additional opportunity to choose the schools their child will attend as an alternative to a neighborhood school in their home district. The Regional School Choice Office provides families with the option to submit an application for the Greater Hartford Region Open Choice Program for children in grades PreK-3 to grade 12.

### **The Hartford Region Open Choice Program**

The Hartford Region Open Choice Program provides opportunities for academic achievement with a diverse educational setting.

Hartford residents may apply to attend a public school in a school district located outside of Hartford. Suburban residents may apply to attend a public school located in Hartford. Seats are available for Pre-K age 4 through grade 12. The following pages provide a brief snapshot of each participating school district. Applicants may choose up to five (5) school districts in their zone and rank them in order of preference.



# Open Choice Districts for Hartford Residents

## Avon Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 9.5 miles west of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-404-4700

**Email:** acabrera@avon.k12.ct.us

**Address:** 34 Simsbury Rd., Avon, CT 06001

**Website:** avon.k12.ct.us

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 1

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 20:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Recognized as one of the outstanding communities for education in the State of Connecticut
- Rigorous, comprehensive and innovative programs
- Full-day pre-K program
- State-of-the-art technology in the classrooms
- Extensive activities, clubs, and sports offerings

## Berlin Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 15 miles south of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-828-6581

**Email:** dbatista@berlinschools.org

**Address:** 238 Kensington Rd., Berlin, CT 06037

**Website:** berlinschools.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 3 & 4

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 13:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- We are a school district and board of education committed to continuous improvement leading to student achievement and student success. As a result of their K–12 learning experiences and ongoing reflection, students will become increasingly capable of making effective decisions, solving meaningful problems, and influencing positive change in their lives and the lives of others.

## Bolton Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 15 miles east of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-643-1569

**Email:** christine.patenaude@boltonct.org

**Address:** 72 Brandy St., Bolton, CT 06043

**Website:** boltonpublicschools.com

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 2

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 10:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Low student-to-faculty ratio allows for personalized learning
- Learning emphasizes critical thinking, communication, problem solving, artistic expression, emotional wellness, citizenship, and self-direction
- Supportive environment focused on respect, responsibility, and compassion for others
- 2019 AP District Honor Roll; 2019 AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award; 2019 U.S. News Best High Schools; 2017 CT State Department of Education School of Distinction; and 2016 U.S. Department of Education National Blue Ribbon School

## Canton Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 13 miles west of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-693-7704

**Email:** lyoung@cantonschools.org

**Address:** 4 Market St., Canton, CT 06019

**Website:** cantonschools.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 1

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** grades K–6, 18:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Family/school partnerships support the community expectations for learning
- Technology devices provided in grades 7–12
- Incredible athletic and music programs
- Dedication to continuous improvement of student achievement
- Students acquire and demonstrate age-appropriate digital learning and citizenship skills

## Cromwell Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 14 miles south of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-632-4830

**Email:** lhicks@cromwell.k12.ct.us

**Address:** 9 Captain James Mann Memorial Dr., Cromwell, CT 06416

**Website:** cromwell.k12.ct.us

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 4

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 12:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- STEM and STEAM incorporated starting in preschool
- College credits and career certifications earned throughout high school
- Award-winning athletic programs including state and conference championships
- Robust music and theatre program beginning at elementary level
- Internship programs at the high school

## East Granby Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 16.3 miles north of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-653-6486

**Email:** dmattera@eastgranby.k12.ct.us

**Address:** 33 Turkey Hills Rd., P.O. Box 674, East Granby, CT 06026

**Website:** eastgranby.k12.ct.us

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 1

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 19:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- 5th Year Associate degree programs in advanced manufacturing and business
- Offers 12 Advanced Placement classes in high school
- R.D. Seymour School & EGHS – Schools of Distinction
- 2013 Best Bang for the Buck School District #14
- 2015 Newsweek Top 500 High School
- EGHS 2017 U.S. News and World Report, Gold Rating, ranked #3 in CT, #294 in U.S.A.

## East Windsor Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 16 miles north of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-623-3346

**Email:** csauerhoefer@ewct.org

**Address:** 70 South Main St., East Windsor, CT 06088

**Website:** eastwindsork12.org

**Transportation Provided:** No

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 2

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** Varies by school

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Arts electives at high school
- Career and technical education courses at high school
- Access to Spanish at grade 8
- STEM class in grades 6–8
- Grade 4 music lessons available

## Ellington Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 20 miles west of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-896-2300

**Email:** klaporte@ellingtonschools.net

**Address:** 47 Main St., P.O. Box 179, Ellington, CT 06029

**Website:** ellingtonpublicschools.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 2

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 14:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Mastery-based learning
- Equitable opportunities
- Innovative practices
- Personalized learning

### Enfield Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 18 miles north of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-253-6500

**Email:** sjanuszewski@enfieldschools.org

**Address:** 1010 Enfield St., Enfield, CT 06082

**Website:** enfieldschools.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 2

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 13:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes (middle and high school level)

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- STEAM-themed district in grades PK–12.
- Full-day prekindergarten program for children four years of age.
- Nineteen Advanced Placement (AP) offerings at Enfield High School.
- Partnerships with Asnuntuck offer academic and vocational experiences for middle and high school students.
- The Building Tomorrow Project allows for the instructional use of LEGO products in all kindergarten through Grade 5 classrooms.

### Farmington Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 13 miles west of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-673-8270

**Email:** terrisavagec@fpsct.org

**Address:** 1 Monteith Dr., Farmington, CT 06032

**Website:** fpsct.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 3

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 20:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Student-centered teaching and learning
- Focus on the vision of the graduate thinking and learning skills
- High expectations and strong support for all children
- Core Beliefs: Equity Matters, Relationships Matter, Results Matter
- Technology is used as a tool for learning

### Glastonbury Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 10 miles southeast of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-652-7951

**Email:** grenusl@glastonburyus.org

**Address:** 628 Hebron Ave., Glastonbury, CT 06033

**Website:** glastonburyus.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 4

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 13:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Safe and welcoming schools
- Diverse course offerings and rigorous curriculum
- Many sports and after school activities

### Granby Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 20 miles northwest of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-844-5250

**Email:** carusom@granby.k12.ct.us

**Address:** 15-B North Granby Rd., Granby, CT 06035

**Website:** granby.k12.ct.us

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 1

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 14:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Dedicated Equity Taskforce designed to support the elimination of achievement gaps.
- Commitment to high levels of achievement for all students.
- Prioritization of minority teacher recruitment and retention.
- Rigorous course offerings and curricula focused on 21st century skills.
- Summer Enrichment Academy in partnership with the Granby YMCA.

## Newington Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 7.5 miles west of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-667-2000

**Email:** sforesi@npsct.org

**Address:** 131 Cedar St., Newington, CT 06111

**District Website:** npsct.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 3

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 21:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Every child — college, career, and citizenship ready
- Emphasis on innovations in teaching and learning/academies
- Strategic systems and processes lead to continuous improvements
- Diversity, family support, commitment, and involvement strengthen student learning.
- A culture of excellence!

## Plainville Community Schools



**Location:** approximately 14 miles west of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-793-3210

**Email:** gryuct@plainvilleschools.org

**Address:** Municipal Center, One Central Square, Plainville, CT 06062

**Website:** plainvilleschools.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 3

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** Elementary: 18.2;

Middle School: 18.6; High School: 19.7

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Focus on STEM and STEAM opportunities to promote relevance and engagement
- State-of-the-art technology, 1:1 devices
- Positive learning environment where all students have exciting, supportive opportunities to learn and grow
- Exceptional and distinguished arts and music programs
- School and community partnerships provide real-world experiences and opportunities

## Portland Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 17 miles west of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-342-6790

**Email:** srowe@portlandct.us

**Address:** 33 East Main St., Portland, CT 06480

**Website:** portlandctschoools.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 4

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 10:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Emphasis on 21st-century, culturally responsive teaching and learning
- 1-to-1 technology for grades 5–12 and robust technology for K–4
- Award-winning Project Lead the Way STEM program for middle and high school students
- Strong career path opportunities and award-winning performing arts programs
- Newly developed language arts and math curriculum

## Simsbury Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 11 miles west of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-651-3361

**Email:** scaccamo@simsbury.k12.ct.us

**Address:** 933 Hopmeadow St., Simsbury, CT 06070

**Website:** simsbury.k12.ct.us

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 1

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 20:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- One of four original funding districts for Open Choice
- Full-day preschool program
- Rigorous academic curriculum emphasizing critical thinking and communication skills
- Award-winning programs in arts and STEM subjects
- Commitment to social-emotional growth in students

### Somers Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 25 miles north of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-749-2270

**Email:** corrine.bouchard@somers.k12.ct.us

**Address:** One Vision Blvd., Somers, CT 06071

**Website:** somers.k12.ct.us

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 2

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** per Board policy

- Preschool: up to 20 students
- Kindergarten: 20 students
- Grades 2–3: 23 students
- Grades 4–12: 25 students

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- All schools and Somers Public Library are located on one campus
- One-to-one student device program where all students grades 1–12 get iPads or Chromebooks.
- Utilizes the School Messenger Program to relay important information to families and staff via phone, e-mail, text messages, social media and mobile apps.

### South Windsor Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 12 miles northeast of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-291-1204

**Address:** 1737 Main St., South Windsor, CT 06074

**Website:** southwindsorschools.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 2

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 1:20

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Elementary STEM program
- World Language instruction in grades 1–4
- 1:1 technology devices in grades 6–12
- Wide selection of extracurricular activities and athletic programs

### Southington Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 18 miles west of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-628-3200

**Email:** tcolegrove@southingtonschools.org

**Address:** 200 N. Main St., Southington, CT 06489

**Website:** southingtonschools.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 3

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 17:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Values the visual and performing arts with offerings in drama, instrumental and vocal music, general music, and formal art instruction
- Southington High School offers 18 AP courses and Project Lead the Way for aspiring engineers
- Embraces and values our differences through the Coalition for Social Justice — working together to ensure accessibility and representation for all, professional development for staff to raise cultural consciousness, and family engagement opportunities that celebrate diversity

### Suffield Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 20 miles north of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-668-3800

**Email:** jneilson@suffield.org

**Address:** 350 Mountain Rd., Suffield, CT 06078

**Website:** suffield.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 1

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 11:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Committed to Professional Learning
- Enhancing science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) with a 5,000 sq. ft. large animal facility
- Rigorous core academic learning goals
- State-of-the-art technology in the classroom
- Emphasis on 21st century learning and preparedness

## Tolland Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 19 miles (20 minutes) east of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-870-6850

**Email:** klester@tolland.k12.ct.us

**Address:** 51 Tolland Green, Tolland, CT 06084

**Website:** tolland.k12.ct.us

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 2

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 12:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Business Academy
- Academic Pathways provide a magnet/private school experience in a comprehensive school setting
- Relationship with the University of Connecticut — offers UConn Early College Experience (ECE) college credit programs
- A focus on Mastery Learning and Culturally Responsive Education
- Writers Workshop and Singapore Math

## West Hartford Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 5 miles west of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-561-6600

**Email:** tanya\_rossy@whps.org

**Address:** 50 South Main St., West Hartford, CT 06107

**Website:** whps.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 1

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 15:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- A welcoming district that engages all families
- Rigorous curriculum designed to increase awareness of and respect for diversity
- High expectations for every WHPS adult to help each child thrive and reach their greatest potential.
- Equity and Diversity Council is committed to building cultural competence.
- Before, during, and after school academic and enrichment activities for all students

## Wethersfield Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 5 miles south of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-571-8100

**Email:** scurtin@wethersfield.me

**Address:** 127 Hartford Ave., Wethersfield, CT 06109

**Website:** wethersfield.k12.ct.us

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 3 & 4

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 20:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Rigorous academic standards
- Focus is on ensuring that students acquire the skills and knowledge for lifelong learning, develop a positive sense of self and self-discipline, and function as responsible citizens of society.
- Close partnership between the district and the Wethersfield community

## Windsor Locks Public Schools



**Location:** approximately 13 miles north of Hartford

**Phone:** 860-252-9000

**Email:** centralreg@wlps.org

**Address:** 58 South Elm St., Windsor Locks, CT 06096

**Website:** wlps.org

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** No

**Hartford Zone:** 2

**Student-Teacher Ratio (average):** 15:1

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Student-centered learning and mastery-based grading system
- Students receive Early College Experience (ECE) at UConn
- Extended learning opportunities with community organizations and businesses
- Personalized focus on future education and careers

## Open Choice Schools for Non-Hartford Residents

### Hartford Public High School

Grades 9–12



**District:** Hartford Public Schools

**Phone:** 860-695-1320

**Address:** 55 Forest St., Hartford, CT 06105

**Website:** hartfordschools.org/enroll

**Transportation Provided:** Yes

**Uniforms:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- We are focused on preparing students for college, careers, and public service
- Student leadership opportunities to serve in our student court, student government, and as student ambassadors
- Strong focus on applied critical thinking and problem solving, collaboration, and leadership
- Varsity athletics, intramural sports, various clubs and activities



## Explore Magnet Schools in the Greater Hartford Region

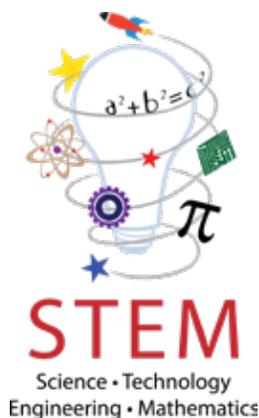
The term “school choice” means families have an additional opportunity to choose the schools their child will attend as an alternative to a neighborhood school in their home district. The Regional School Choice Office provides families with the option to submit an application to magnet schools in the Greater Hartford Region for children in grades PreK-3 to grade 12.

### Interdistrict Magnet Schools

Interdistrict magnet schools are located in Hartford and surrounding towns including Avon, Bloomfield, East Hartford, Glastonbury, Hartford, Rocky Hill, South Windsor, West Hartford, and Wethersfield. These schools are managed and operated by Bloomfield Public Schools, Capitol Region Education Council (CREC), East Hartford Public Schools, Goodwin College, and Hartford Public Schools.

Interdistrict magnet schools are specifically designed to attract students from diverse social, economic, ethnic and racial backgrounds. These schools utilize a variety of academic themes or focus on a specific subject including Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), business and communications, careers and technology, visual and performing arts.

### Examples of magnet school themes:



GLOBAL  
STUDIES



REGGIO EMILIA



Visual and  
Performing Arts



## Magnet Middle and High Schools

### Academy of Aerospace and Engineering

Grades 6–12



**Theme:** Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)

**Phone:** 860-243-0857

**E-mail:** aaemainoffice@crec.org

**Address:** 1101 Kennedy Rd., Windsor, CT 06095

**Website:** crecschools.org

**School Uniform:** Yes (middle and high school only)

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Develops the skills and confidence needed to succeed in the 21st century
- Offers specialized courses including aeronautics, medicine, computer science, robotics, drone construction and more
- Offers mentorships, internships and unique opportunities through various partnerships
- Teaches the Engineering Design Process to empower students to solve problems

### Academy of Science and Innovation

Grades 6–12



**SCIENCE**  
and Innovation

**Theme:** Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)

**Phone:** 860-223-0726

**E-mail:** brich@crec.org or Aramos@crec.org

**Address:** 600 Slater Rd., New Britain, CT 06053

**Website:** crecschools.org

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Offers Advanced Placement courses, UConn Early College Education (ECE) courses, and a Dual Enrollment Program with CCSU
- Inspires students to solve problems using the engineering design process
- Creates real-world learning opportunities through community partnerships
- Provides opportunities for students to participate in a world-class robotics program

### Betances STEM Magnet School

Grades 5–8



**Theme:** Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)

**Phone:** 860-695-2970

**School Social Media:** #BSTEMHARTFORD

**Address:** 400 Wethersfield Ave., Hartford, CT 06114

**Website:** betancesstem.com

**After Care:** Yes

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- STEM pilot flight simulators
- 3D printers
- STEM plus classes
- LEGO® robotics and coding
- Tower gardens
- Animal body systems (dissections)

### Capital Preparatory Magnet School

PK3–Grade 12



**Theme:** Social Justice

**Phone:** 860-695-9800

**Email:** fergk001@hartfordschools.org

**Address:** 1304 Main St., Hartford, CT 06103

**Website:** capitalprep.org

**Before or After Care:** Yes

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- 11-month school year runs July-May
- Full-day: PK3, PK4 and kindergarten
- Gifted and Talented curriculum for PK3–Grade 5 program
- Performing Arts partnership with Hartford Performs
- Buddy Advisors with Upper School students

### Classical Magnet School

Grades 6–12



**Theme:** Liberal Arts, College Prep

**Phone:** 860-695-9100

**E-mail:** navaj001@hartfordschools.org

**Address:** 85 Woodland St., Hartford, CT 06105

**Website:** classicalmagnet.org

**Before or After Care:** No

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Liberal arts college prep program with extensive offerings in theater, art, and music
- Sixteen varsity sports and various middle school sport opportunities
- Paideia model—students learn through seminar discussions and interdisciplinary coached projects

### Global Experience Magnet School (GEMS)

Grades 6–12



**Theme:** Global Studies & World Travel

**Phone:** 860-769-6600

**E-mail:** gems@blmfd.org

**Address:** 44 Griffin Rd. South, Bloomfield, CT 06002

**Website:** gems.bloomfieldschools.org

**Before or After Care:** No

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** No (Students can play for their home district)

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Small class size of approximately 15 to provide a challenging and customized education
- At least one international travel experience to Asia, Africa, Central America, or Europe
- Second language offerings in Mandarin-Chinese, French, and Spanish
- Students can earn up to 15 college credits
- Nationally Recognized School of Excellence by Magnet Schools of America

### Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts

PK3–Grade 12 (Middle School, Grades 6–8)



**Theme:** Arts Education

**Phone:** 860-724-0685

**E-mail:** aamsoffice@crec.org

**Address:** 75 Van Dyke Ave., Hartford, CT 06106

**Website:** crecschools.org

**School Uniform:** No

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** No

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Combines a rigorous core curriculum with intensive arts instruction
- Provides technical training in the various arts fields
- Integrates a minimum of 80 minutes of art instruction with professional artists
- Offers individualized daily college preparation periods
- Nationally recognized by Solution Tree as a model Professional Learning Community school

### Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy

Grades 6–12



**Theme:** Arts, Sciences and Early College

**Phone:** 860-695-7201

**E-mail:** andrj001@hartfordschools.org

**Address:** 53 Vernon St., Hartford, CT 06106

**Website:** hmtca.hartfordschools.org

**Before or After Care:** Yes

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Early College Partnership with Trinity College, earn college credit at Trinity, UConn, and Capital Community College
- Community College, Advanced Placement (AP) participation rate of 42 percent
- Exploratory Middle School model affords extensive course offerings
- Exceptional performing and visual arts programs, graphics, marching band, orchestra
- CIAC Interscholastic Athletics

### R.J. Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts

PK4–Grade 12



**Theme:** Performing Arts

**Phone:** PK4–Grade 8: 860-695-4140; Grades 9–12: 860-695-2040

**Email:** PK4–Grade 8: ken.obrien@hartfordschools.org;  
Grades 9–12: kopfj001@hartfordschools.org

**Address:** PK4–Grade 8: 65 Van Block Ave., Hartford, CT 06106; Grades 9–12: 415 Granby St., Hartford, CT 06112

**Website:** kinsellamagnet.org

**After Care:** Yes

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** No

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- High academic expectations coupled with comprehensive performing arts training
- Arts-integrated curriculum, section title 27 knowledge socially, linguistically and cognately utilizing multiple intelligence
- Emphasis on problem solving & critical thinking skills
- Magnet Schools of America, both Excellence and Distinction Awards

### Metropolitan Learning Center Magnet School for Global and International Studies

Grades 6–12



*An Authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) World School, offering the Middle Years Programme (MYP) and the Diploma Programme (DP)*

**Theme:** Global and International Studies

**Phone:** 860-242-7834

**E-mail:** sdouglas@crec.org

**Address:** 1551 Blue Hills Ave., Bloomfield, CT 06002

**Website:** choosemlc.com

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Offers IB courses preparing students for college and beyond
- Develops inquiring, knowledgeable and caring students who are motivated to succeed
- Places students at the forefront of their learning
- Empowers students to act as leaders and agents of change
- Encourages students to inquire about and understand the world through many perspectives

### Sport and Medical Sciences Academy

Grades 6–12



**Theme:** Sport and Medical Sciences

**Phone:** 860-695-6900

**Address:** 280 Huyshope Ave., Hartford, CT 06106

**Website:** sportandmedicalsciences.org

**Before or After Care:** No

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- 100 percent of 2017 graduates were accepted into two- or four-year colleges and universities, awarded over \$1.5 million in scholarships.
- State-of-the-art facility, 10 science labs, two gyms and two fitness centers, CIAC Athletics
- *U.S. News and World Report* and Magnet Schools of America Awards
- Sport and medical sciences, biomedical sciences, athletic training, and UConn courses offered for college credit

### Two Rivers Magnet Middle School

Grades 6–8



**Theme:** Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) — Focus on Environmental Sciences

**Phone:** 860-290-5320

**E-mail:** jwnuk@crec.org

**Address:** 337 East River Dr., East Hartford, CT 06108

**Website:** crecschools.org

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Provides a rigorous course of studies that infuses environmental science and engineering
- Uses a blended learning model, where students guide their learning
- Offers classes such as exploratory science, pre-engineering, sustainability, game design, animation, and more
- Partners with the Connecticut Science Center
- National Green LEAF School of Excellence

## Magnet High Schools

### Civic Leadership High School

Grades 9–12



**Theme:** Public Service

**Phone:** 860-253-0274

**E-mail:** clhsoffice@crec.org

**Address:** 1617 King St., Enfield, CT 06082

**Website:** clhs.crecschools.org

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Provides rigorous academics and extensive college credit courses
- Offers four pathways: Public Service, Environmental Science and Community Engagement; Fire Science and Emergency Medicine; Law, Government and Homeland Security; Law Enforcement
- Creates a culture of giving back through community service
- Offers opportunities for internships and to earn public safety certifications

### The Connecticut IB Academy (CIBA)

Grades 9–12



**Theme:** An International Baccalaureate (IB) World School

**Phone:** 860-622-5590

**E-mail:** dolan.dy@easthartford.org

**Address:** 857 Forbes St., East Hartford, CT 06118

**Website:** cibanet.org

**Before or After Care:** No

**School Uniform:** Yes (required)

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Middle Years Programme (MYP) in grades 9–10 and IB Diploma Programme (DP) in grades 11–12
- Highly rigorous, challenging academic requirements that are above and beyond a traditional high school
- Improved opportunities for college admission and excellent preparation for college success
- Opportunity to study with international students as well as international field study and exchange programs offered
- Numerous athletics offered by East Hartford High School and CIBA clubs

### Connecticut River Academy at Goodwin College (CTRA)

Grades 9–12



**Theme:** Early College, Sustainability Theme with Environmental Studies and Advanced Manufacturing

**Phone:** 860-913-2200

**Address:** 9 Riverside Dr., East Hartford, CT 06118

**Website:** goodwin.edu/ctra

**Before or After Care:** No

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Nationally certified magnet school
- Partnership with Goodwin College for tuition-free college credits
- Sustainability theme — combining environmental studies and 21st-century advanced manufacturing
- State-of-the-art facilities and technology including a research vessel, waterfront campus, new manufacturing facility, laptops, 3D printers, and robotics

### Great Path Academy

Grades 9–12



**Theme:** College Prep High School

**Phone:** 860-512-3700

**Address:** 60 Bidwell St., Manchester, CT 06045

**Website:** manchestercc.edu/great-path-academy

**Before or After Care:** No

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** No

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Magnet School of Excellence 2018
- Students can earn up to 30 tuition-free college credits
- Personalized learning community, with real-world application and college readiness.
- Enrichment clubs and extracurricular activities across a spectrum of interest
- Full immersion in the college campus allows for a unique educational and social experience

### Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts — Full Day

Grades 9–12



**Theme:** Arts Education

**Phone:** 860-757-6300

**E-mail:** nchanese@crec.org

**Address:** 160-172 Huyshope Ave., Hartford, CT 06106

**Website:** crecschools.org

**School Uniform:** No

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Provides an arts-integrated, college-preparatory, comprehensive high school program
- Arts classes taught by professional artists
- Course offerings include classes in media production, graphic design, writing, and dance/movement
- Events planned for students to present media projects and written works, as well as exhibitions for graphic design and movement

### Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts — Half Day

Grades 9–12



**Theme:** Pre-College/Pre-Professional Arts Training Program, 13 hours/week

**Phone:** 860-757-6300

**E-mail:** kstroud@crec.org

**Address:** 15 Vernon St., Hartford, CT 06106

**Website:** crecschools.org

**School Uniform:** No

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Rigorous training in dance, music, musical theater, theater, theater design and production, and visual arts
- All arts classes taught by practicing artist professionals
- A comprehensive arts curriculum with 200+ specialized arts classes
- Access to multiple performance and rehearsal spaces
- Robust performance season for students to apply class work and to showcase their training

### R.J. Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts

Grades 9–12



**Theme:** Performing Arts

**Phone:** 860-695-2040

**E-mail:** Kopfj001@hartfordschools.org

**Address:** 415 Granby St., Hartford, CT 06112\*

*\*New location effective in the 2019–20 school year*

**Website:** kinsellamagnet.org

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Kinsella will be located at Weaver Campus with state of the art facilities, minutes from University of Hartford campus.
- High academic expectations coupled with comprehensive performing arts training and arts integrated curriculum
- High School students participate in daily conservatory training in performing arts major of their choice.
- Magnet Schools of America both Excellence and Distinction Awards

### Pathways Academy of Technology & Design

Grades 9–12



**Theme:** Project-Based Learning, Technology Integration, Work-Based Learning

**Phone:** 860-695-9450

**E-mail:** jcormier@hartfordschools.org

**Address:** 2 Pent Rd., East Hartford, CT 06118

**Website:** pathwaystotechnology.com

**Before or After Care:** No

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** No

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Top Secondary Magnet School in 2014 by Magnet Schools of America and NAF Distinguished Academy
- Project-based learning instructional and one-to-one laptop program.
- Advanced technology classes, advanced manufacturing, design, computer science, and mobile app development, digital video and media.
- Paid internships with Travelers, Cigna, The Hartford, Aetna, and more.
- Opportunity to earn tuition-free college credit

## University High School of Science and Engineering

Grades 9–12



**Theme:** Early College and STEM

**Phone:** 860-695-9020

**E-mail:** basec001@hartfordschools.org

**Address:** 351 Mark Twain Dr., Hartford, CT 06112

**Website:** uhsse.org

**Before or After Care:** No

**School Uniform:** Yes

**Intramural/Interscholastic Athletics:** Yes

**Special Offerings and Features:**

- Accredited by New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC)
- Earn tuition-free college credits with University of Hartford, UConn and Project Lead The Way (PLTW) credit through the University of New Haven
- Rigorous theme-based honors curriculum
- Participation in 16 CIAC-approved interscholastic sports
- Nation's top magnet high school — Magnet Schools of America, 2012



## Placement Priorities and Pathways

The RSCO placement process may use one or more of these priorities in determining placement offers and waitlist status, although application of such priorities vary from time to time and depend on the availability of seats.

### Technical High School Applicant

Alumni/Graduate  
 Early Application  
 Employee/Staff  
 Enrolled Sibling  
 Event  
 Non-enrolled Sibling  
 Technical High School Early Application  
 Technical High School Choice Order  
 Technical High School Only

### Open Choice Applicant

Enrolled Sibling  
 Hartford Residential Zone  
 Non-Enrolled Sibling  
 Open Choice Only

### Magnet School Applicant

Employee/Staff or  
 College Student  
 Enrolled Sibling  
 Hartford Residential  
 Neighborhood  
 Partner District  
 Pathway

**Alumni/Graduate:** Consideration may be given to an applicant who has a parent/legal guardian or other relative who graduated from a technical high school operated by the Connecticut Technical and Education and Career System (CTECS).

**Employee/Staff or College Student:** Priority given to children of employees, staff, or Goodwin College students is based on the availability of seats at a selected school.

**Enrolled Sibling:** Priority given to a child who is applying to the same school as a brother or sister that shares the same address and at least one biological parent or legal guardian. The sibling that is already enrolled in the same school must continue to attend the same school or district in the following school year.

**Event:** Consideration may be given to an applicant who attends an event at a technical high school information session, open house or other school choice promotional event.

**Hartford Residential Neighborhood:** Priority given to children/students based on how close a magnet school applicant lives to a nearby school that uses a neighborhood priority.

**Hartford Residential Zone:** Placement offer is based on the applicant's residential address (see Hartford Resident Zone Map on pages 40–41).

**Non-Enrolled Sibling:** Efforts are made to offer the same school placement to sibling applicants who share the same address and share at least one biological parent or legal guardian.

**Open Choice Only:** Applicants selecting the Open Choice Program as their only option may receive priority based on available seats.

**Partner District:** A partner district is a placement priority given to applications from students who live in a town that has a partnership agreement with a magnet school. Partner district priorities do not guarantee a placement offer and depend on available seats.

**Pathway:** Priority given to students coming from another magnet school for a limited number of seats.

**Siblings/Twin/Multiples:** Efforts are made to link applications where two or more children share the same address and share at least one biological parent or legal guardian, have the same date of birth, and are applying for the same grade level at the same school.

**Technical High School Choice Order:** The RSCO placement process attempts to place applicants to the technical high schools based on their technical school preferences.

**Technical High School Early Application:** Applicants entering 9th grade may apply to the technical high schools by December 20, 2019 and receive early notification of a technical high school placement opportunity by February 1, 2020.

**Technical High School Only:** Applicants entering the 9th grade who select the technical high schools as their only option may receive priority for placements based on available seats.

## Placement Priorities and Pathways

The following RSCO placement priorities and pathways are listed in alphabetical order. These priorities and pathways **do not guarantee a placement offer**. Note: Siblings include twins and multiples.

Pathways From Pre-K Elementary Schools To →	Middle and High Schools/Programs listed in this catalog	Pathways from Magnet Middle Schools to Magnet High Schools	Priorities
	<b>Hartford Region Open Choice Program (PK4–Grade 10)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>Non-Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>Open Choice Only</li> <li>Residential Zone</li> </ul>
	<b>A.I. Prince Technical High School (Grades 9–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alumni/Graduate</li> <li>Early Application</li> <li>Employee/Staff</li> <li>Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>Event</li> <li>Non-Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>Technical High School Early Application</li> <li>Technical High School Choice Order</li> <li>Technical High School Only</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary School*</li> <li>Ana Grace Academy of the Arts</li> <li>Discovery Academy</li> <li>Glastonbury-East Hartford Magnet School</li> <li>International Magnet School for Global Citizenship</li> <li>CREC Montessori Magnet School</li> <li>Museum Academy</li> <li>Reggio Magnet School of the Arts</li> <li>University of Hartford Magnet School</li> </ul>	<b>Academy of Aerospace and Engineering (Grades 6–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>Pathway</li> <li>Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary School</li> <li>Ana Grace Academy of the Arts</li> <li>Discovery Academy</li> <li>Glastonbury-East Hartford Magnet School</li> <li>International Magnet School for Global Citizenship</li> <li>CREC Montessori Magnet School</li> <li>Museum Academy</li> <li>Reggio Magnet School of the Arts</li> <li>Two Rivers Magnet Middle School</li> <li>University of Hartford Magnet School</li> </ul>	<b>Academy of Science and Innovation (Grades 6–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>Pathway</li> <li>Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Betances Learning Lab</li> </ul>	<b>Betances STEM Magnet School (Grades 5–8)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pathways Academy of Technology and Design</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>Hartford Residential Zone 4</li> <li>Pathway</li> <li>Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Montessori Magnet at Annie Fisher</li> </ul>	<b>Capital Preparatory Magnet School Upper school program (Grades 6–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pathway</li> <li>Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two Rivers Magnet Middle School</li> </ul>	<b>Civic Leadership High School (Grades 9–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>Neighborhood</li> <li>Pathway</li> <li>Staff</li> </ul>

## Placement Priorities and Pathways

Pathways From Pre-K Elementary Schools To →	Middle and High Schools/Programs listed in this catalog	Pathways from Magnet Middle Schools to Magnet High Schools	Priorities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Montessori Magnet at Annie Fisher</li> <li>• Noah Webster</li> <li>• Montessori Magnet at Batchelder</li> </ul>	<b>Classical Magnet School (Grades 6–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Pathway</li> <li>• Staff</li> </ul>
	<b>Connecticut IB Academy (Grades 9–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Partner Districts: Coventry, East Hartford, Ellington, Hartford, Manchester, Region 8, Tolland, Vernon</li> <li>• Pathway</li> <li>• Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two Rivers Magnet Middle School</li> </ul>	<b>Connecticut River Academy at Goodwin College (Grades 9–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Goodwin College employees/students</li> <li>• Goodwin magnet school employees</li> <li>• Pathway</li> </ul>
	<b>E.C. Goodwin Technical High School (Grades 9–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alumni/Graduate</li> <li>• Early Application</li> <li>• Employee/Staff</li> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Event</li> <li>• Non-Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Technical High School Early Application</li> <li>• Technical High School Choice Order</li> <li>• Technical High School Only</li> </ul>
	<b>Global Experience Magnet School (Grades 6–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Renzulli Gifted &amp; Talented</li> <li>• Breakthrough South</li> <li>• Environmental Sciences at Mary Hooker</li> <li>• Noah Webster</li> </ul>	<b>Great Path Academy at Manchester Community College (Grades 9–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Pathway</li> <li>• Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary School</li> <li>• Ana Grace Academy of the Arts*</li> <li>• Discovery Academy</li> <li>• Glastonbury-East Hartford Magnet School</li> <li>• International Magnet School for Global Citizenship</li> <li>• CREC Montessori Magnet School</li> <li>• Museum Academy</li> <li>• Reggio Magnet School of the Arts</li> <li>• University of Hartford Magnet School</li> </ul>	<b>Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts Middle School (Grades 6–8)</b>	Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts High School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Pathway</li> <li>• Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts Middle School*</li> <li>• Two Rivers Magnet Middle School</li> </ul>	<b>Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts — Full Day (GHAA-FD) (Grades 9–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Pathway</li> <li>• Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts Middle School*</li> </ul>	<b>Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts — Half Day (GHAA-FD) (Grades 9–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Pathway</li> <li>• Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakthrough North</li> <li>• CREC Montessori Magnet</li> <li>• Montessori Magnet at Batchelder</li> </ul>	<b>Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy (Grades 6–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• HMTCA and Trinity College Staff</li> <li>• Pathway</li> </ul>

## Placement Priorities and Pathways

Pathways From Pre-K Elementary Schools To →	Middle and High Schools/Programs listed in this catalog	Pathways from Magnet Middle Schools to Magnet High Schools	Priorities
	<b>Howell Cheney Technical High School (Grades 9–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alumni/Graduate</li> <li>• Early Application</li> <li>• Employee/Staff</li> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Event</li> <li>• Non-Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Technical High School Early Application</li> <li>• Technical High School Choice Order</li> <li>• Technical High School Only</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary School</li> <li>• Ana Grace Academy of the Arts</li> <li>• Discovery Academy</li> <li>• Glastonbury-East Hartford Magnet School</li> <li>• International Magnet School for Global Citizenship*</li> <li>• CREC Montessori Magnet School</li> <li>• Museum Academy</li> <li>• Reggio Magnet School of the Arts</li> <li>• Two Rivers Magnet Middle School</li> <li>• University of Hartford Magnet School</li> </ul>	<b>Metropolitan Learning Center (MLC) for Global and International Studies (Grades 6–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Betances STEM</li> <li>• Breakthrough South</li> <li>• Environmental Sciences at Mary Hooker</li> <li>• Noah Webster</li> <li>• STEM Magnet School at Annie Fisher</li> </ul>	<b>Pathways Academy of Technology and Design (Grades 9–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Pathway</li> <li>• Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakthrough North</li> <li>• Breakthrough South</li> <li>• Environmental Sciences at Mary Hooker</li> <li>• Montessori Magnet at Batchelder</li> <li>• Noah Webster</li> <li>• STEM Magnet School at Annie Fisher</li> </ul>	<b>R.J. Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts (PK4–Grade 12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Neighborhood</li> <li>• Pathway</li> <li>• Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakthrough North</li> <li>• Breakthrough South</li> <li>• Montessori Magnet at Annie Fisher</li> <li>• Noah Webster</li> </ul>	<b>Sport &amp; Medical Sciences Academy (SMSA) (Grades 9–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Pathway</li> <li>• Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary School</li> <li>• Ana Grace Academy of the Arts</li> <li>• Discovery Academy</li> <li>• Glastonbury-East Hartford Magnet School</li> <li>• International Magnet School for Global Citizenship</li> <li>• CREC Montessori Magnet School</li> <li>• Museum Academy</li> <li>• Reggio Magnet School of the Arts</li> <li>• Riverside Magnet School at Goodwin College University of Hartford Magnet School</li> </ul>	<b>Two Rivers Magnet Middle School (Grades 6–8)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Academy of Science And Innovation</li> <li>• Civic Leadership High School</li> <li>• CT River Academy</li> <li>• Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts High School</li> <li>• Metropolitan Learning Center</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Pathway</li> <li>• Staff</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakthrough South</li> <li>• Environmental Sciences at Mary Hooker</li> <li>• Montessori Magnet at Annie Fisher</li> <li>• Noah Webster</li> <li>• STEM Magnet School at Annie Fisher</li> </ul>	<b>University High School of Science and Engineering (UHSSE) (Grades 9–12)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enrolled Sibling</li> <li>• Pathway</li> <li>• Staff</li> </ul>

\* Students currently enrolled in this elementary school may automatically enroll in the designated secondary CREC magnet school.

## 2019–20 Magnet School Bell Time Alignment Schedule

7:30 a.m. Start Time					
Town	Magnet School	Grades	Operator	Start	End
Bloomfield	Global Experience Magnet School	6–12	Bloomfield	7:30	2:25
Bloomfield	Metropolitan Learning Center for Global & International Studies	6–12	CREC	7:30	2:25
East Hartford	Connecticut IB Academy	9–12	East Hartford	7:30	3:00
East Hartford	Connecticut River Academy at Goodwin College	9–12	Goodwin College	7:30	2:45
East Hartford	Pathways Academy of Technology and Design	9–12	Hartford	7:30	2:40
East Hartford	Two Rivers Magnet Middle School	6–8	CREC	7:30	2:25
Enfield	Civic Leadership High School	9–12	CREC	7:30	2:25
Hartford	Capital Preparatory Magnet School	PK3–12	Hartford	7:30	2:40
Hartford	Classical Magnet School	6–12	Hartford	7:30	2:40
Hartford	Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts High School	9–12	CREC	7:30	2:25
Hartford	Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy	6–12	Hartford	7:30	2:40
Hartford	Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts at Weaver	9–12	Hartford	7:30	2:40
Hartford	Hartford Pre-Kindergarten Magnet School	PK3 & PK4	Hartford	7:30	2:40
				<i>Transportation not provided</i>	
Hartford	Sport and Medical Sciences Academy	6–12	Hartford	7:30	2:40
Hartford	University High School of Science and Engineering	9–12	Hartford	7:30	2:40
Manchester	Great Path Academy	9–12	Hartford	7:30	2:40
New Britain	Academy of Science and Innovation	6–12	CREC	7:30	2:25
Windsor	Academy of Aerospace and Engineering	6–12	CREC	7:30	2:25
8:40 a.m. Start Time					
Town	Magnet School	Grades	Operator	Start	End
Avon	Ana Grace Academy of the Arts	PK3–5	CREC	8:40	3:35
Avon	Reggio Magnet School of the Arts	PK3–5	CREC	8:40	3:35
Bloomfield	Museum Academy	PK3–5	CREC	8:40	3:35
Bloomfield	Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet	PK3 & PK4	Bloomfield	8:40	2:20
East Hartford	Riverside Magnet School at Goodwin College	PK3–5	Goodwin College	8:40	3:55
Glastonbury	Glastonbury-East Hartford Magnet	PK3–5	CREC	8:40	3:35
Hartford	Betances Learning Lab	PK3–4	Hartford	8:40	3:50
Hartford	Betances STEM Magnet School	5–8	Hartford	8:40	3:50
Hartford	Breakthrough Magnet, North	PK3–5	Hartford	8:40	3:50
Hartford	Breakthrough Magnet, South	PK3–8	Hartford	8:40	3:50
Hartford	CREC Montessori Magnet School	PK3–5	CREC	8:40	3:35
Hartford	Environmental Sciences at Mary Hooker	PK4–8	Hartford	8:40	3:50
Hartford	Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts Middle	6–12	CREC	8:40	3:35
Hartford	Montessori Magnet at Annie Fisher	PK3–8	Hartford	8:40	3:50
Hartford	Montessori Magnet at Batchelder	PK3–6	Hartford	8:40	3:50
Hartford	Noah Webster Micro-Society Magnet	PK3–8	Hartford	8:40	3:50
Hartford	R.J. Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts	PK4–8	Hartford	8:40	3:50
Hartford	STEM Magnet at Annie Fisher	K–8	Hartford	8:40	3:50
Rocky Hill	Academy of Aerospace & Engineering Elem.	PK3–5	CREC	8:40	3:35
S. Windsor	International Magnet School for Global Citizenship	PK3–5	CREC	8:40	3:35
West Hartford	University of Hartford Magnet School	PK3–5	CREC	8:40	3:35
Wethersfield	Discovery Academy	PK3–5	CREC	8:40	3:35
Half-Day					
Town	Magnet School	Grades	Operator	Start	End
Hartford	Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts – Half Day & Colt Gateway Campus	6–12	CREC	12:55	4:10

## **2.** **APPLY**

# Frequently Asked Questions About School Choice

## Eligibility

### Who is eligible to apply to RSCO School Choice?

Parents/guardians with a child who resides in Connecticut at the time of application. A post office box (P.O. Box) cannot be used to prove Connecticut residency.

## Grade Levels

### What grade levels are available?

All grade levels are available, however, the largest number of placement offers are for the entry-level grades for each school or program. The entry-level grades are: Pre-K age 3, Pre-K age 4, kindergarten, grade 6, and grade 9.

### What happens if my child “stays back” in his/her grade or I enter the wrong grade level on the application?

Grade-level changes reported to RSCO after the January 31, 2020 On-Time Application deadline will result in RSCO placing the child at the end of the waitlist for the correct grade for each school choice listed on the application.

## Siblings/Twins/Multiples

### How do I submit an application for siblings/twins/multiples?

If you wish to have your children, who are siblings/twins/multiples, placed together in the same school, you will need to do the following:

- Submit a separate on-time application for each child;
- Select the same exact schools or districts in the same exact order of preference starting with the first choice.

RSCO will verify all siblings/twins/multiples as part of the application process. Note: RSCO makes every effort to seat siblings together.

## Free and Reduced-Price Meals

### Is my child eligible for free or reduced-price lunch?

Meal eligibility is based on different factors such as household income or size, someone in the household qualifying for SNAP or TFA benefits, or a child's status is a legal ward of the state and a foster child. Placement in a school choice program should not affect eligibility for free and reduced-price meals.

## Special Education, 504 Plans, and English Learner Services\*

### If my child requires or may require special education, accommodations under Section 504, or English learner services, can I submit a RSCO school choice application?

Yes. If the parent/guardian enrolls their child in the Hartford Region Open Choice Program or a magnet school, the child will have the same access to the appropriate support services as required by law.

*\* Parents/guardians of all new students enrolling for the first time and all re-enrolling students who have not previously attended a Connecticut public school must complete a Home Language Survey (HLS) at the time of enrollment. This may result in the child taking a screening exam. Neither the survey nor the exam are conditions of enrollment. The only purpose of this process is to determine the student's eligibility for ESL or bilingual programs. The child should be enrolled first before administering the assessment.*

## Athletics

### How do I find out information about intramural or interscholastic sports?

Contact the specific technical high school, agriscience program, magnet school, or Open Choice District.

## How to Apply

To begin an application, select “New Application” or “Reapply”\* and complete or review the sections listed below.

Start a new 2020 application, reapply, view and make changes to an application here.

I completed a RSCO School Choice application last year and I want to apply again for the 2020-21 school year.

**REAPPLY**

I want to start a new RSCO School Choice application for the 2020-21 school year or I did not apply with a RSCO application last year.

**NEW Application**

**Parent/Guardian:** Provide or update primary telephone or cellphone number, Connecticut resident address, and additional parents/guardians. The valid email address used to create the application will automatically appear in this section.

**Child/Student:** Provide the child’s full name, date of birth, gender, Connecticut resident address, race/ethnicity, current Connecticut school, current grade, and grade applying to in the fall of 2020. For reapplying applicants, update child information or add a new child.

**School Choice Options:** Select three (3) technical highs schools in order of preference, and/or up to five (5) magnet schools, and/or up to five (5) Hartford Region Open Choice districts.

Additional options:

- Select the “All District” option to be considered for Open Choice districts not chosen on your application.
- Select the “All Magnet” option to be considered for magnet schools not chosen on your application.

Note: If an “All District” or “All Magnet” placement offer is declined, the child’s application will remain on all waitlists for the districts or schools chosen on the application.

**Agreement Statement:** Confirm that all information provided on the application is true and accurate.

**Survey:** Answer brief survey questions about your interest in school choice, how you heard about RSCO, and where or how you completed this application.

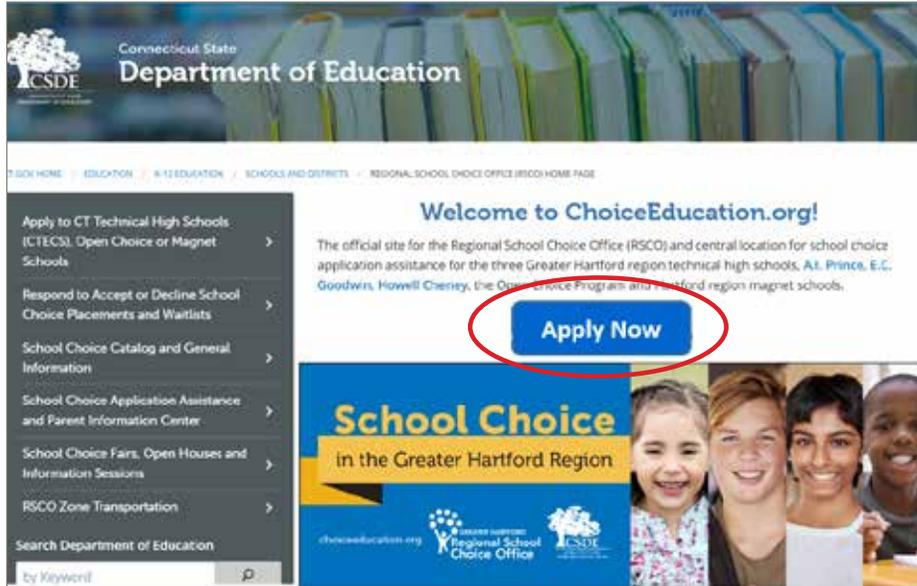
After completing the survey questions, a full view of the information entered into the application will display on one page for your review. Please review the information before selecting “Submit” as the final step.

**Final Step – Application Submitted:** After selecting “Submit,” a confirmation message with an electronic copy of the application will be sent to the email address used to create the application. In addition, you will have the option to download and print the application.

*\*Applicants who submitted a RSCO application within the past two years may use the same email account to reapply for 2020–21.*

## Applying to School Choice

Begin a RSCO school choice application by visiting [ChoiceEducation.org](http://ChoiceEducation.org) and selecting “Apply Now.”



### On-Time Application

**The On-Time Application begins November 1, 2019 and ends January 31, 2020.**

A separate online application must be completed and submitted for each child to apply for the Hartford Region technical high schools, the Hartford Region Open Choice Program, and magnet schools. Complete the technical high school early application by December 20, 2019.

### Late Application

**The Late Application begins on February 18, 2020 and ends on July 31, 2020.**

Not all schools and programs are available during the Late Application period.

Late Applications are considered in the order in which they are received. Late applicants may be placed in available seats only after all on-time applicants have been offered a placement. Late applicants are placed at the bottom of a waitlist. Placement priorities and pathways do not apply to Late Applications.

#### Important notes:

- Submitting a RSCO School Choice Application does not guarantee every child will receive a placement offer.
- Only one (1) RSCO School Choice Application will be accepted per child per School Choice season.
- Families cannot submit an on-time application and a late application for the same child per School Choice season. All duplicate applications will be deleted and only the first application submitted for each child will be considered.
- To apply to an Agricultural Science and Technology Education (ASTE) school, applicants must submit a separate application, available at <https://portal.ct.gov/sde-ASTE-apply>. A RSCO application cannot be submitted for an ASTE school.
- Misrepresenting application information or altering registration documents will result in the deletion of the application and/or placement offer.

## Making Changes to Your Application

### Making Changes to Your RSCO School Choice Application

Parents/guardians are able to make changes to the RSCO School Choice application up to **January 31 for the On-Time Application.**

When	What	How
November 1 to January 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact Information (address, telephone number, email address)</li> <li>Demographic Information (e.g., birth date, sibling verification, grade)</li> <li>School Selections</li> <li>District Selections</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Go to <b>ChoiceEducation.org</b></li> <li>Log into your RSCO application account using the email address and password you used to submit the application.</li> <li><i>or</i></li> <li>Call the RSCO Parent Information Center at 860-713-6990 for assistance.</li> </ul>
After January 31 deadline	Any change to the student's RSCO School Choice application	Call the RSCO Parent Information Center at 860-713-6990.

### Changing an Address on the RSCO School Choice Application after January 31, 2020

Hartford Resident	Non-Hartford Resident
<b>Magnet Schools</b>	<b>Magnet Schools</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An applicant who has moved out of Hartford to a non-Hartford suburban address will be moved to the bottom of the on-time suburban waitlist.</li> <li>If the applicant has moved within Hartford, the waitlist position will remain the same.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An applicant who has moved into Hartford will be moved to the bottom of the on-time Hartford waitlist.</li> <li>If the applicant has moved to another suburban town, the waitlist position will remain the same.</li> </ol>
<b>Hartford Region Open Choice Program</b>	<b>Hartford Region Open Choice Program</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An applicant who has moved out of Hartford will no longer be eligible to attend Open Choice schools in districts outside of Hartford.</li> <li>If the applicant has moved within different zones in Hartford, the district selections for Open Choice may change. Please contact RSCO for further information.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An applicant who has moved into Hartford will no longer be eligible to attend Open Choice schools in Hartford.</li> <li>If the applicant has moved to another suburban town, the waitlist position will remain the same.</li> </ol>

*Only the first application submitted for a child will be used in the school choice process. Any additional applications for the same child will be deleted and will not be included in the school choice process.*

## Application Assistance

RSCO partners and community organizations offer School Choice application assistance and general RSCO information. Sites and information are subject to change.

### RSCO Parent Information Center

The RSCO Parent Information Center is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

450 Columbus Blvd.  
Plaza Level, Suite 28  
Hartford, CT 06103

Email: [rscsde@ct.gov](mailto:rscsde@ct.gov)

Phone: 860-713-6990

Website: [ChoiceEducation.org](http://ChoiceEducation.org)

### RSCO Primary School Choice Application Assistance

Hartford Public Library (HPL) Downtown Branch  
500 Main St., Children's Room

Phone: 860-695-6325

Website: [hplct.org](http://hplct.org)

Services for primary satellite site only:  
Daytime/evening/weekend hours, application assistance, application workshops, RSCO informational brochures and catalogs

### Hartford Area School Choice Application Sites

Application assistance, application workshops, and RSCO informational brochures and catalogs are provided at the sites listed below.

Asylum Hill Family Center  
896 Asylum Ave.  
Hartford, CT  
860-244-9944

Imagineers, LLC  
635 Farmington Ave.  
Hartford, CT  
860-768-3353

CRT-Grace St.  
37 Grace St.  
Hartford, CT  
860-523-6262

HPL Dwight Branch  
7 New Park Ave.  
Hartford, CT  
860-695-7460

Blue Hills Civic Association  
1229 Albany Ave.  
Hartford, CT  
860-560-7360, ext. 102

Institute for the Hispanic Family/El Centro Family Center/Paraiso Infantil Preschool  
45 Wadsworth St.  
Hartford, CT

CRT-Laurel St.  
211 Laurel St.  
Hartford, CT  
860-560-5487

HPL Park Branch  
744 Park St.  
Hartford, CT  
860-695-7500

CREC Welcome Center  
111 Charter Oak Ave.  
Hartford, CT  
860-509-3700

860-524-6853  
ext. 221/222

CRT-Job Corps  
100 William Shorty Campbell Blvd.  
Hartford, CT  
860-952-1790

HPL Sand/Ropkins  
1750 Main St.  
Hartford, CT  
860-695-7520

CURET  
1443 Albany Ave.  
Hartford, CT  
860-247-0123

Literacy Volunteers of Greater Hartford  
30 Arbor St.  
Hartford, CT  
860-233-3853

CRT-Sigourney-Mews  
206 Collins St.  
Hartford, CT  
860-560-5401

The Village for Families and Children, Inc.  
1680 Albany Ave. Hartford, CT  
860-236-4511  
ext. 3416

SS Cyril & Methodius Child Development Center  
45 Groton St.  
Hartford, CT  
860-206-9265

Parker Memorial Family Center  
2621 Main St.  
Hartford, CT  
860-757-0827

### Hartford Public Library (HPL) Branches

HPL Albany Branch  
1250 Albany Ave.  
Hartford, CT  
860-695-7380

105 Spring St.  
Hartford, CT  
860-236-4511  
ext. 3416

Hartford Communities That Care, Inc.  
2550 Main St., 3rd Floor  
Hartford, CT  
860-209-8957

Southside Family Center  
35 Groton St.  
Hartford, CT  
860-297-7800

HPL Barbour Branch  
261 Barbour St.  
Hartford, CT  
860-695-7400

331 Wethersfield Ave.  
Hartford, CT  
860-236-4511  
ext. 3416

Hartford Public Schools Office of Enrollment and School Choice  
960 Main St., 1st Floor  
Hartford, CT 06103  
860-695-8876

### CRT Early Care and Education Centers

CRT-Douglas St.  
170 Douglas St.  
Hartford, CT  
860-560-5460

HPL Camp Field Branch  
30 Campfield Ave.  
Hartford, CT  
860-695-7440

# **3.** RESPOND

## Responding to a RSCO Placement Offer or Receiving a Waitlist Notification

The Regional School Choice Placement Process will be conducted in the spring of 2020. RSCO will send a notification to the primary email address and telephone number listed on your child's RSCO application. Parents/guardians will be notified of either a Placement Offer or a Waitlist. The RSCO Placement Process ends on September 30, 2020.

- Parents/guardians must respond to either a placement offer or a waitlist by the deadline listed in the RSCO email notification.** Respond by selecting the link embedded in the email notification or by visiting [choice.education.org](http://choice.education.org) and selecting "Respond to a RSCO Placement or Waitlist".
- Parents/guardians must log in to their RSCO account** with the email and password used to create the application.
- View placements and/or waitlists and either accept or decline your placement offer or "hold" your CTECS Placement Opportunity\*** by the deadline provided in your RSCO notification.
- After accepting a CTECS Placement Opportunity or an Open Choice or Magnet Placement Offer, follow these next steps** for registering at a technical high school, magnet school, or Open Choice Program/district:

Technical High School Placement Opportunity	Open Choice Program	Magnet School
<p>Begin the registration process for a technical high school by completing the CTECS registration form online at <a href="http://cttech.org/about/rscohartfordadmission.htm">http://cttech.org/about/rscohartfordadmission.htm</a>.</p> <p>As part of the registration process, the technical high school will request the records from the school in which your child is presently enrolled. If your child has an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or 504 Plan, a Planning and Placement Team (PPT) or 504 meeting will take place once your child's records are received to determine what special education and/or related aids and services the student needs in the CTECS environment. Upon enrollment, the CTECS will ensure that needed services are provided to the student and that the student receives a free appropriate public education (FAPE). In order to ensure appropriate supports are in place, these meetings must occur before enrollment at a technical high school. In limited instances, a Section 504 or PPT meeting may determine that the CTECS is not an appropriate placement for a student to receive a FAPE.</p>	<p>You will receive a "Welcome" email from the Open Choice Program Office that will provide instructions for the district registration process.</p>	<p>You are required to contact the magnet school directly by the deadline provided in the RSCO notification email and begin the registration process.</p>
<p>Accepting a placement offer does not automatically register your child in the Open Choice Program or magnet school. Complete the registration process for your child at the new school or district.</p> <p><i>Failure to register your child by the deadline indicated in either the Open Choice "Welcome" email or the magnet school placement notification will result in the removal of your child's placement offer.</i></p>		

## Responding to a RSCO Placement Offer or Receiving a Waitlist Notification

5. **After declining a technical high school placement opportunity, Open Choice or Magnet School Placement Offer or failing to respond by the deadline**, your child's application will be removed from all other waitlists and he/she will not receive another placement offer.

Note: If you chose the "All Magnet" or "All District" option, your child's application will remain on the waitlist for the schools listed on your RSCO Application.

6. **After Placing a CTECS Placement Opportunity on "hold"**, follow these next steps:

If you applied to CTECS and receive a CTECS Placement Opportunity, and you also applied to another Choice opportunity at a Magnet School or Open Choice Program, you have the option to "hold" this CTECS offer for a limited time. The "hold" option expires 14 days after the first notification is sent to you stating that your child has received a Magnet or Open Choice Placement Offer, or that they have been Waitlisted for those choices.

Sometime after electing to "hold" your CTECS Placement Opportunity, you will receive an email notifying you whether your child has received a Placement Offer, or a Waitlist Offer at a Magnet or Open Choice Program. Within 14 days of that email, even if it is a Waitlist Offer, you have the option to choose one action, either:

- a. Accept the new Magnet or Open Choice Program Placement or Waitlist Offer; or
- b. Accept the CTECS Placement Opportunity you originally received.

Please note: You cannot accept both opportunities and you cannot continue to "hold" your CTECS Placement Opportunity, even if your child received a Waitlist Offer for the Magnet or Open Choice Programs. If you elect to accept the Magnet or Open Choice Program Placement or Waitlist Offer, you will forfeit your child's CTECS Placement Opportunity.

7. **Waitlist Notification:**

If you do not receive a placement offer, you will be notified that your child has been placed on a waitlist for the schools selected in your application. Once on the waitlist, you will receive additional information regarding next steps.



## RSCO Transportation Zone Information

The RSCO Transportation Zone establishes borders and identifies the names and locations of magnet schools and Open Choice Program districts in the Greater Hartford Region (see page 3). For additional information, contact the RSCO Transportation Office by email at [rscotransportation@crec.org](mailto:rscotransportation@crec.org), telephone at 860-524-4077, or visit their website at [crec.org/transportation/rsco.php](http://crec.org/transportation/rsco.php).

TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION		
Program & Grade Level	Hartford Resident	Non-Hartford Resident
<b>Agricultural Science and Technology Education (ASTE) (9–12)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Neighborhood stop</b> is located in or near the student’s neighborhood; or</li> <li>• <b>Central location</b> in or near the student’s resident town, often located in a public place.</li> </ul>	For additional information, contact your district’s transportation office.
<b>Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS) (9–12)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Neighborhood stop</b> is located in or near the student’s neighborhood.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Students who enroll in a technical high school within their local school district</b> will receive in-district transportation; or</li> <li>• <b>Central location</b> in or near the student’s resident town often located in a public place.</li> </ul> <p>For additional information, parents/guardians should contact the technical high school guidance office.</p> <p>Note: based on the technical high school’s location, transportation may not be available from all suburban towns to other suburban towns.</p>
<b>Open Choice (K–12)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Neighborhood stop</b> is located in or near the student’s neighborhood.</li> <li>• <b>Central location</b> in or near the student’s resident town, often located in a public place.</li> <li>• <b>Plainville</b> provides transportation for Plainville Open Choice Program students.</li> </ul>	
<b>Magnet (K–12)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Neighborhood stop</b> is located in or near the student’s neighborhood.</li> <li>• <b>Central location</b> in or near the student’s resident town, often located in a public place.</li> <li>• <b>Students who enroll in a magnet school within their local district</b> will receive in-district transportation. For additional information, contact your district’s transportation office.</li> </ul>	

### Transportation Options for In-Zone Families

Transportation is provided to students in grades K–12 within the RSCO Transportation Zone. Once a student is registered in a RSCO school or program, and if they are eligible, they will be notified by the RSCO Transportation Office before the start of the school year of their transportation pick-up and drop-off times and locations.

Families living within the RSCO Transportation Zone are not eligible to receive a stipend if they opt out of the RSCO Transportation service and elect to transport their child themselves.

### Transportation Options for Out-of-Zone Families

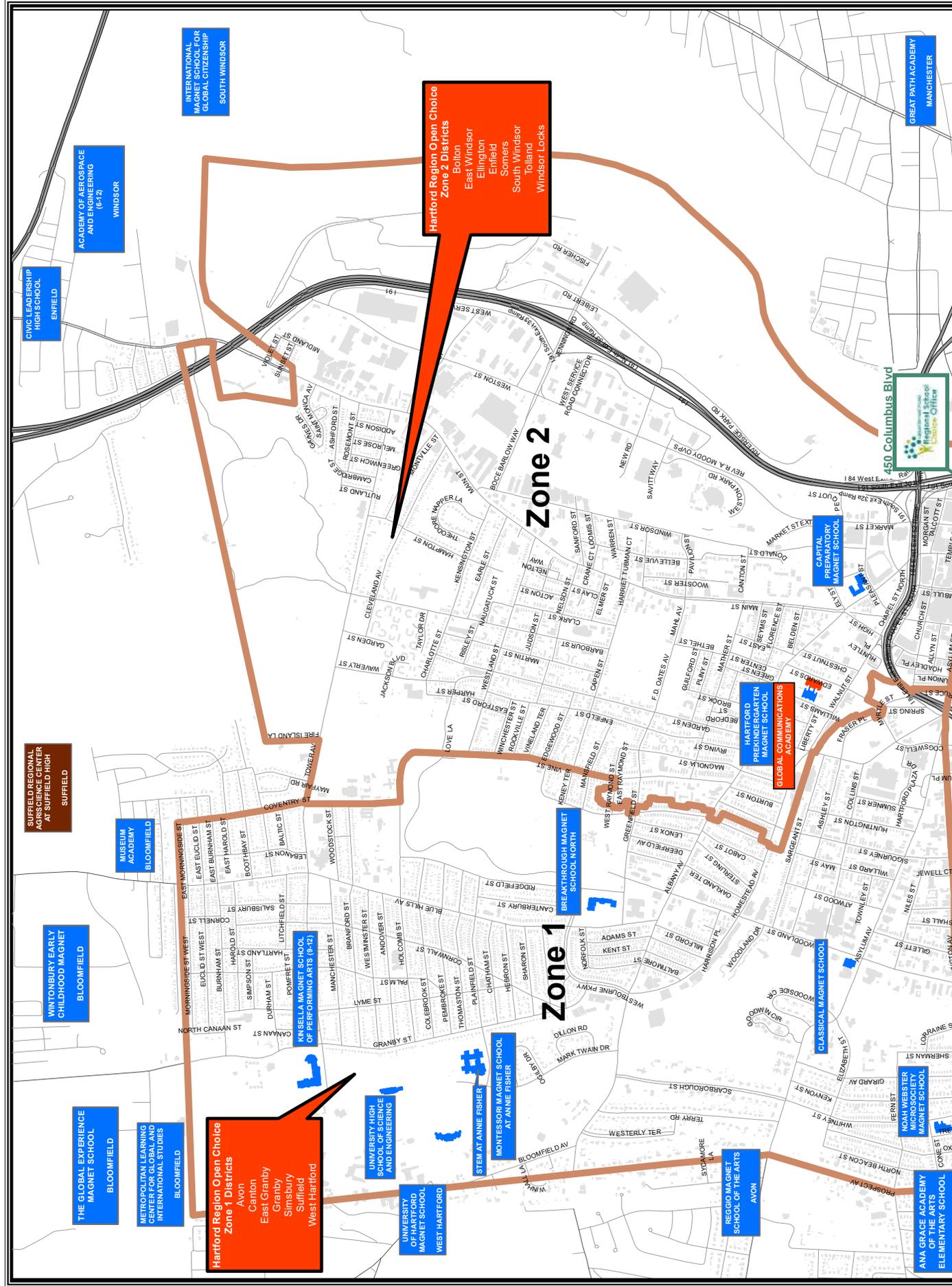
Parents/guardians who do not live in a RSCO transportation zone town (see map on page 3) have two options:

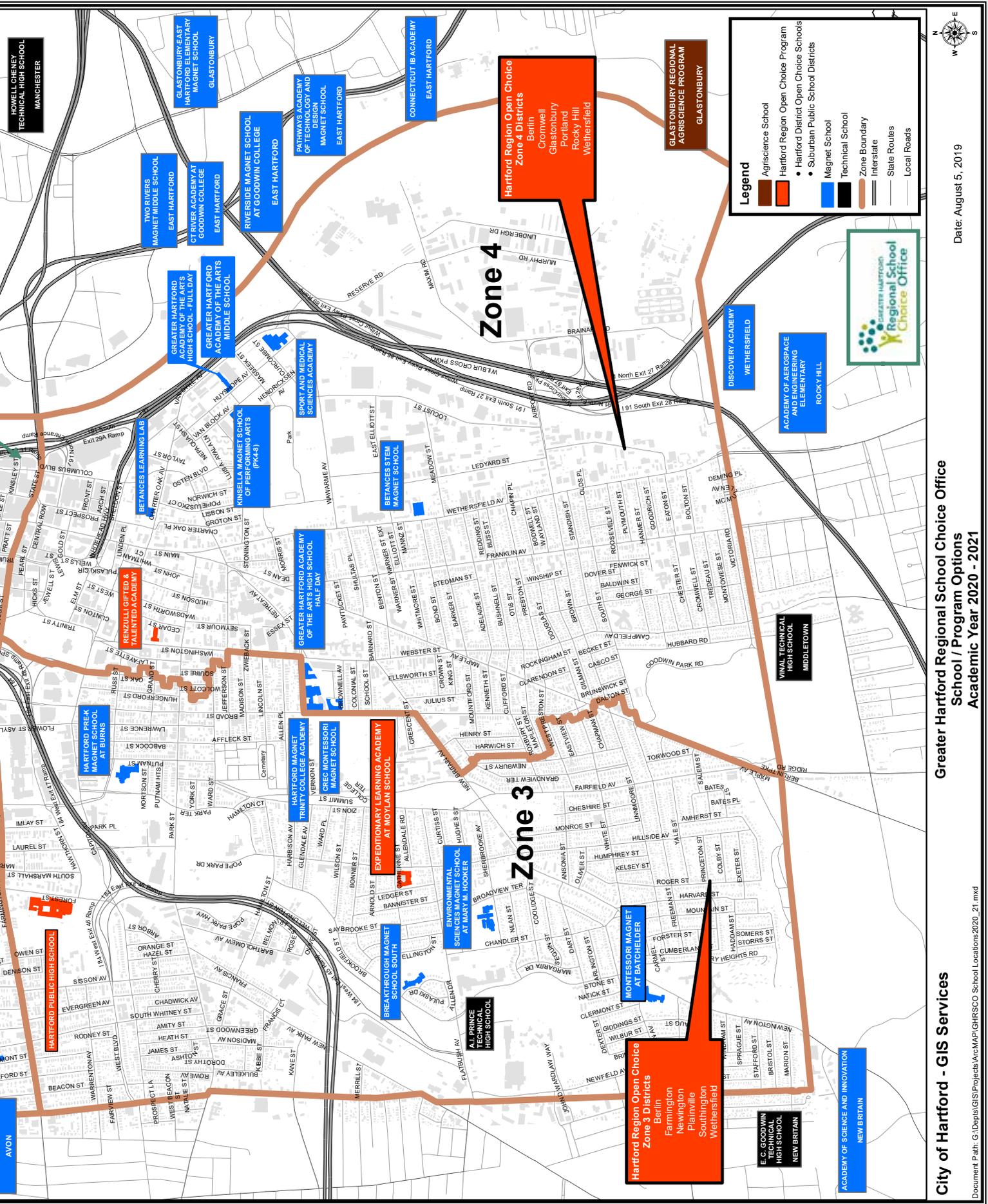
**Option 1:** Transport the student themselves to and from school, and then request a stipend that will be paid over the summer based on the student’s attendance.

**Option 2:** Transport the student to the closest available stop located within the RSCO’s transportation zone. There is no stipend for option 2.

# Hartford Resident Zone Map

## School and Program Options 2020-21





**Zone 4**

**Zone 3**

**Legend**

- Agriscience School
- Hartford Region Open Choice Program
- Hartford District Open Choice Schools
- Suburban Public School Districts
- Magnet School
- Technical School
- Zone Boundary
- Interstate
- State Routes
- Local Roads



Date: August 5, 2019



**Greater Hartford Regional School Choice Office  
School / Program Options  
Academic Year 2020 - 2021**

**City of Hartford - GIS Services**

Document Path: G:\GIS\GIS\Projects\AcMap\GIS\HRSO\_School\_Locations\_2020\_21.mxd

## Location of the Greater Hartford Regional School Choice Office (RSCO)

For the most current information about RSCO programs, procedures, and timelines, visit the RSCO website at **ChoiceEducation.org**, or call 860-713-6990.



Connecticut State Department of Education  
Regional School Choice Office  
450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite P28  
Hartford, CT 06103-1841  
860-713-6990 • ChoiceEducation.org

## Directions to the RSCO Parent Information Center (PIC)

State of Connecticut Building  
450 Columbus Blvd., Plaza Level, Suite P28  
Hartford, CT, 06103-1841

---

### Parking:

- On-street parking on Columbus Blvd. is only available in 2-hour intervals on a paid basis from 6:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Parking is strictly prohibited from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. due to rush hour traffic.
- Municipal parking is available for a required fee at the Morgan Street Garage, located on Morgan St.
- After parking in the Morgan Street Garage, take the elevator down to the street level and use the cross walk to walk across the street to the public entrance of 450 Columbus Blvd.
- As a visitor, you must sign in at the security desk with photo identification.
- All visitors will be entered electronically into the visitor management system and issued a visitor's badge.
- Security personnel will direct you to the RSCO Parent Information Center, located on the Plaza Level. Please remember to turn in your visitor's badge when you leave.

### Driving Directions:

#### From I-91 South/North

- Take Exit 32A-32B (Trumbull St.)
- At 2nd light, turn left onto Morgan St.
- Turn right onto Columbus Blvd.
- Morgan Street Garage is on your right
- Go straight through light
- 450 Columbus Blvd. is on your left

#### From I-84 Westbound

- Take Exit 50 (US-44 W/S.Main ST)
- At the light, turn left onto Trumbull St.
- Sharp left onto Morgan St.
- Turn right onto Columbus Blvd.
- Morgan Street Garage is on your right
- 450 Columbus Blvd. is on your left

#### From I-84 Eastbound

- Take Exit 50 (Main St.)
- Continue straight
- Cross Trumbull St.
- Cross Main St.
- Cross Market St.
- At the 4th light, turn right onto Columbus Blvd.
- Morgan Street Garage is on your right.
- 450 Columbus Blvd. is on your left

# Language Interpretation and Translation Assistance

**The following language services are available for the entire RSCO School Choice application process:**

Spanish language assistance with RSCO online application is available:

- over the telephone at 860-713-6990;
- in person at the Parent Information Center, 450 Columbus Blvd., Hartford, CT 06103, Suite P28; or
- at application assistance sites (see page 34).

**Los siguientes servicios de idioma están disponibles para el proceso entero de solicitud de Elección Escolar RSCO:**

Asistencia en español con la aplicación de RSCO en línea está disponible:

- por teléfono al 860-713-6990;
- en persona, en el Centro de Información para Padres (PIC), 450 Columbus Blvd., Hartford, CT 06103, Suite P28; o
- en sitios de asistencia de aplicaciones (14 de página).

## **Assistance in other languages**

- Over the telephone at 860-713-6990. The RSCO office uses interpretation services from Linguistica International for 250 languages.
- Google Translate is available on [ChoiceEducation.org](http://ChoiceEducation.org).

**Examples of languages available:**

- Arabic
- Chinese
- French
- Hindi
- Karen
- Korean
- Nepalese
- Polish
- Portuguese
- Serbo-Croatian
- Tamil
- Vietnamese



The Connecticut State Department of Education is committed to a policy of equal opportunity/affirmative action for all qualified persons. The Connecticut State Department of Education does not discriminate in any employment practice, education program, or educational activity on the basis of race, color, religious creed, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability (including, but not limited to, intellectual disability, past or present history of mental disorder, physical disability or learning disability), genetic information, or any other basis prohibited by Connecticut state and/or federal nondiscrimination laws. The Connecticut State Department of Education does not unlawfully discriminate in employment and licensing against qualified persons with a prior criminal conviction. Inquiries regarding the Connecticut State Department of Education's nondiscrimination policies should be directed to: Levy Gillespie, Equal Employment Opportunity Director/Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator, Connecticut State Department of Education, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 607, Hartford, CT 06103-1841, 860-807-2071, [Levy.Gillespie@ct.gov](mailto:Levy.Gillespie@ct.gov).

