RSCO School Choice Fairs
Attend a RSCO school choice fair to learn about your options and make informed decisions for your family.

Fall RSCO School Choice Fair
Date: Saturday, October 22, 2022
Time: 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 pm
Location: Dunkin Donuts Park (Downtown Hartford)
1214 Main St., Hartford

Winter RSCO School Choice Fair
Date: Saturday, February 4, 2023
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Location: Discovery Academy
176 Cumberland Ave., Wethersfield
Snow/weather day: February 11, 2023

Spring RSCO School Choice Fair
Date: Saturday, May 6, 2023
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Location: Connecticut River Academy at Goodwin University, 9 Riverside Dr., East Hartford

Summer RSCO School Choice Fair
Date: TBD
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Location: Dunkin Donuts Park (Downtown Hartford)
1214 Main St., Hartford

RSCO Placement Offers
Placements continue through the spring and summer and will begin as follows:

February 2023: CTECS technical high schools early applicants
April 2023: CTECS, Magnet Schools and Open Choice Program on-time applicants

Response Deadline Information for RSCO Placement Announcements
Families are notified via text and/or email of placements. The deadlines for responding to placements are included in the announcement communication.
Welcome to Your RSCO School Choice Options

You have a choice about where your child attends school.

The Greater Hartford Regional School Choice Office (RSCO) offers families the power to choose a school or program outside their home district for their child to attend.

The Greater Hartford Region RSCO School Choice Family Guide will take you through the school choice process and provide detailed school and program information for families to make an informed decision.

Discover the incredible school choice options available in the Greater Hartford Region for families with children entering prekindergarten (age 3) through grade 12.

- Greater Hartford Regional Interdistrict Magnet Schools
- Hartford Region Open Choice Program
- Hartford Region Technical High schools
- Hartford Region Agricultural Science and Technology Education Centers

Find the right school for your family!

We invite you to explore the RSCO Family Guide to identify your child’s interests and find the school choice options that are the best fit for your family.

If you are looking for high quality, unique public school learning opportunities for your child, then the RSCO school choice system is for you!

We are here to be your family’s guide to School Choice!

Call, email, or visit the Regional School Choice Office (RSCO).

Website: ChoiceEducation.org
Phone: 860-713-6990
Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov
Visit: 450 Columbus Blvd., Suite P28
Hartford, CT 06103-1841

Did You Know?

- Colleges look for applicants who have experience learning in diverse schools.
- Choice schools give students the opportunity to drive their learning and pursue their passions!
- Research shows that diverse classrooms lead to increased creativity, problem-solving, and critical thinking.
- Learning in a diverse setting reduces anxiety, increases confidence, and promotes leadership skills.
- RSCO’s school choice system brings together families from over 40 towns in the Greater Hartford Region in rich and engaging learning environments.
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Please visit RSCO’s website at ChoiceEducation.org or call 860-713-6990 for the most up-to-date information.
Quick Tips to Make the Most of Your RSCO School Choice Application

Pay attention to deadlines!

- Apply early for CTECS (by January 13, 2023) to take advantage of early CTECS placements.
- Apply on-time for magnet schools, Open Choice and CTECS (by February 28, 2023).
- Respond by the deadline dates in placement notifications, including for student registration.

Double-check your application for accuracy!

- Include accurate & current school information for all children in your family.
- Update your contact information as it changes — this includes phone numbers, email addresses, and residency addresses.
- Make sure you have the correct current and applying grades selected.

Maximize your priorities!

- The information on your application is used to identify priorities, including enrolled sibling and pathways. Check the priorities section in the Family Profile of your application to ensure all of your priorities are listed.
- Make the school with a placement priority your first-choice school for the best chance of a placement.
- If you are applying for siblings in the same grade range, select the same schools in the same order on every application to increase the chance that they will be placed together in the same school.
- Review the placement priorities definitions on pages 18-19.

Know the placement rules!

- Most applicants are only eligible for one placement offer.
- Be sure to only select schools or districts your child would like to attend. Before selecting a school or program, make sure it is a good fit for your family and you consider the location and hours. For example, some schools charge tuition for preschool on a sliding scale based on family income and the Montessori schools only offer half-day programming for PK3.
- Generally, your best chance of a placement offer is to the school or district you select as your first choice, but you could receive placement at any school or district you select.
- Keep in mind that if you apply to magnet schools and Open Choice, you are not able to indicate which program you prefer. If you receive a magnet offer, you are no longer eligible for an Open Choice placement. If you receive an Open Choice offer, you are no longer eligible for a magnet placement.

Monitor your waitlists!

- If you do not receive a placement offer, you will have the chance to modify your application in the spring to add schools and increase your chance of a placement.
- Be sure to check back often to monitor the waitlist size.
The Connecticut State Department of Education’s Regional School Choice Office (RSCO) offers a broad variety of school choice opportunities that empower families to choose opportunities for their students and to enable student success. **You have a choice about where your child attends school!** School Choice options extend beyond your own home district and offer families amazing educational opportunities in the Greater Hartford Region, with transportation provided from most areas. RSCO offers students entering pre-kindergarten through grade 12 a wide array of choices, including Open Choice, magnet, technical, and agriculture schools, that meet the individual needs of students and families.

**Make an informed decision for your family by learning more about our programs and your options.**

**Interdistrict Magnet Schools (PK3–Grade 12)**

Students entering grades PK3 to 12th can apply.

Magnet schools are unique public schools that focus on a particular theme or specialized instructional programming to fit the talents and interests of students. Students from Hartford and suburban communities learn together in a fun, engaging, and challenging educational environment.

**The Hartford Region Open Choice Program (PK4–Grade 12)**

Students entering grades PK4 to 10th can apply.

The Open Choice Program is a public school program that allows Hartford-resident students to attend non-magnet public schools in grades PK4-12 in nearby suburban school districts, and non-Hartford resident students to attend certain non-magnet public schools in grades kindergarten–8 in Hartford. This program offers a great opportunity for students to access quality academic programming outside of their home district while learning in culturally diverse and enriching school communities.

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

**Technical High Schools (Grades 9–12)**

Students entering 9th grade can apply.

RSCO offers students entering the 9th grade the opportunity to apply to three Hartford Region Technical High Schools (A.I. Prince Technical High School, E.C. Goodwin Technical High School, and Howell Cheney Technical High School) as a group. Technical high schools combine core academics and career/technical education to prepare students for immediate employment, apprenticeship programs, and college and career opportunities.

**Agricultural Science and Technology Education Schools (ASTE) (Grades 9–12)**

Students entering 9th grade can apply.

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. The ASTE schools are an option for students entering 9th grade. Students do not apply to an ASTE school through the RSCO application but must apply separately at portal.ct.gov/SDE/School-Choice/CT-School-Choice/Agricultural-Science-and-Technology-Education.
1. Only parents/guardians who reside in Connecticut at the time of application are eligible to submit a RSCO application. Please note, a post office box (P.O. Box) cannot be used to prove Connecticut residency.

2. Although there are no guarantees of a placement, priorities may increase your chance of an offer. To learn more about placement priorities and how they are applied to a school or district, see pages 17-19.

3. Choice order matters! Most placement priorities only apply to the first-choice school or district. Even if you are eligible for a priority at more than one school or district, you will generally only receive priority for the school or district you rank as your top choice.

4. There is a feature in the online application that allows you to view the previous year’s number of applications compared to seat availability to assist you in your school and/or district selections. In general, the most seats available are at the entry grade of a school but you can apply for any grade level.

5. While applying to multiple schools and programs increases the chance of a placement, applicants are only eligible to receive one placement offer with a few exceptions. This means that once your child receives an offer, they are removed from all other waitlists so you should only apply to schools and programs that you would accept if your child receives an offer. There are a few exceptions to this rule, which are listed below.
   - **Grade 9 applicants** can decline a CTECS offer and remain eligible for a magnet or open choice offer OR decline a magnet or Open Choice offer and remain eligible for a CTECS offer.
   - **Hartford residents** can decline their first Open Choice offer and remain eligible for a second Open Choice offer.
   - **If siblings** in the same grade range are placed in separate schools or programs, parents may decline the offer for one child and request to keep that child on the waitlist for a placement in the sibling’s school.

6. There are specific age requirements for students applying to grades PK3, PK4, and kindergarten for the 2023–24 school year.
   - **PK3 (Prekindergarten Age 3):** Child was born between September 1, 2019 and December 31, 2020;
   - **PK4 (Prekindergarten Age 4):** Child was born between September 1, 2018 and December 31, 2019;
   - **Kindergarten:** Child was born between September 1, 2017 and December 31, 2018 OR child was born between September 1, 2016 and August 31, 2017 and has no previous schooling.

7. If your child is entering 9th grade and wants to apply to the three technical high schools available through RSCO, you can take advantage of the early application period for CTECS by applying by January 13, 2023. Applying by the early deadline increases the chance of a CTECS placement. The majority of CTECS placement offers go to early applicants.

8. For magnet schools and the Open Choice program, submitting an on-time application is one of the best ways to increase your chance of placement. There is no advantage to submitting early for these programs, but an on-time application has a much higher chance of placement than a late application.

9. You may only submit ONE completed application for each child for the 2023–24 school year, either an on-time application or late application.

10. Although we try to place as many applicants as possible, submitting an application does not guarantee a placement offer.
Placement Rules

Understanding how it works

It is important to understand how the placement process affects your application and your chance of receiving a placement offer. Review the scenarios related to the Placement Process carefully, especially if you are applying for more than one program (e.g., Magnets plus Open Choice, Magnets plus CTECS, Open Choice plus CTECS, or Magnets plus Open Choice plus CTECS), to help inform your application decisions.

Parents of siblings applying together in the same grade range should be aware of a specific rule that allows parents to decline an offer for one child and request to keep the child on the waitlist for a placement in the sibling’s school IF the siblings are placed in separate schools or programs.

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## Schools and Programs

### Magnet Schools

Hartford and non-Hartford residents with students entering PK3 through grade 12 use the RSCO application to apply to these quality schools with unique themes that develop the natural talents and interests of students and fuel their passions.

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* CREC’s Preschool at Progress Drive (PK3-PK4) provides direct pathways to kindergarten at three of CREC’s PK-Grade 5 magnet schools: Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary (Theme: STEM), Glastonbury/East Hartford Magnet School (Theme: STEM), and University of Hartford Magnet School (Theme: Multiple Intelligences).

** For the 2023-24 school year, Dwight-Bellizzi Dual Language Academy is accepting applications for grades PK4 and kindergarten.
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Students at participating high schools may apply to these dual enrollment programs.
The Hartford Region Open Choice Program: Hartford Residents

Hartford residents entering pre-kindergarten (age 4) through grade 10 apply using the RSCO application to attend certain Open Choice school districts based on their residential zone.

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The Hartford Region Open Choice Program: Non-Hartford residents

Non-Hartford residents entering kindergarten through grade 8 apply using the RSCO application to attend these public schools located in Hartford with special programming.

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*Interested suburban families must complete a separate application with Hartford Public Schools for this school.

Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS)

Greater Hartford Region residents with students entering grade 9 apply using the RSCO application for these three Hartford area technical high schools as a region.

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Agricultural Science and Technology Education (ASTE)

Hartford residents with students entering grade 9 must use the ASTE Application to apply. Please go to page 145 of the ASTE section for more information.

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Getting Started on Your Way to a School Choice Opportunity

It is awesome that families have so many choices for their child’s education, but it can get complicated and confusing to figure out what is available to them and how likely it is they will receive an offer in a school choice option. Our job at RSCO is to help families access the information you need to make informed choices about your options.

The process involves four important steps:

- **Explore**
- **Apply**
- **Respond**
- **Register**

We encourage you to explore the options available to you to find the right fit for your family.

**Identify your child’s interests and talents**

- What makes your child unique? How does your child learn? What motivates your child? What are your child’s talents?

**Explore the School Choice Options**

- Contact the RSCO Parent Information Center, Hartford Public Library, or a satellite site to discuss the options and ask questions.
- Research the information on the RSCO website and RSCO application at [ChoiceEducation.org](http://ChoiceEducation.org).

**Make an informed decision that fits your family. Consider:**

- Things that are important to you: school themes, distance from home, enrollment, extracurricular activities, before/after school programs, and other factors that are important to you;
- Grade level and number of seats available (generally, most seats are available at the entry grade, including pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, 6th grade, and 9th grade); and
- Placement priorities that are available to you and may increase your chance of receiving a placement offer.

Have questions? We are here to help!

Call us! 860-713-6990 | Email us! rsco.sde@ct.gov | Send us a message in your application!

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Step 2: Apply

RSCO has an exciting new online application platform that makes applying to multiple schools and programs easier for everyone! There is always help available, so please reach out for assistance!

**The on-time application period is December 5, 2022 to February 28, 2023.** There are NO placement advantages to applying early except for 9th graders applying for early placement to CTECS by the January 13, 2023 early deadline! **The late application period is March 15, 2023 to September 15, 2023.**

**To Apply:**
- Visit www.rsco2.ct.gov or ChoiceEducation.org and select “Apply.”
- Create a RSCO account or login to your existing account.
- Create or modify your Guardian and Family Profiles.
- Start your application for each child.
- Select schools and programs that fit your child's interests and skills.
- Submit your application for each child.

It's important to keep your account contact information up to date to ensure you receive time sensitive communications.

Step 3: Respond

The RSCO placement process will begin February 2023 for CTECS Early applicants and April 2023 for Magnet Schools and the Open Choice Program and continue to run through September 30, 2023. Families are contacted via email and text message of either a placement offer or waitlist notification.

**To Respond:**
- Respond to a RSCO placement announcement by visiting www.rsco2.ct.gov or ChoiceEducation.org.
- Log into your online application using your account email and password.
- Go to Your Dashboard and select “Go to Details.”
- Select your response (Accept or Decline) for each child.
- You will receive a confirmation email after you make your selection.

Step 4: Register

Once you accept your offer, start the registration process immediately. Refer to your offer letter for school contact information to begin the process. Unfortunately, failure to register within the deadline may result in the removal of your child’s placement offer.
What Are My Chances of Receiving a Placement Offer?

We would love for every applicant to receive a placement offer. Unfortunately, RSCO receives more applications than available seats so placing every applicant is not possible.

Families can increase their chance of a placement by making informed choices on their application.

- Submit the application on time: Complete and submit the application by February 28, 2023.
- Consider ALL of the options: Research the schools and programs available for your child’s grade. Find schools that fit your child’s interests and skills. Keep an open mind — you might discover a school that is a perfect fit that you didn’t initially consider.
- Apply to multiple schools/programs: There are many options available. Explore what RSCO has to offer and consider selecting multiple school choices (in order of preference) to increase the chance of a placement. Keep in mind that most applicants are only eligible for one offer. **Only apply for schools and programs that your child would like to attend.**
- Check the data on available seats: The application provides past data on applications and the number of seats available to help families select schools and programs that may increase the chance of receiving an offer.
- Identify placement priorities: Families should identify placement priorities that are available to them and select the school or district with that priority as their first-choice school/district to take advantage of the priority in the placement process. Check out pages 17-19 for further details on placement priorities.
Placement Priorities FAQs

Many of the schools and programs have “priorities” that are used in the placement process to increase the likelihood of an offer based upon an applicant’s connection to a school or program. Be sure to double check the priority information for each child on the family profile of your application to ensure it is correct and all expected priorities are listed.

1. What are placement priorities?
   Placement priorities are connections that applicants have to schools or programs that the placement process may use to place applicants in schools or districts.

2. What are examples of placement priorities?
   Placement Priorities include applying sibling, enrolled siblings, staff, neighborhood, zone, pathways, and other connections to the school or district.

3. Do placement priorities guarantee placement?
   No. A priority does not guarantee placement in a school or program but may increase likelihood of a placement offer.

4. Are placement priorities used with the RSCO on-time and late application?
   Priorities may be applied to the on-time and the late application. However, the chance of receiving a placement offer is the greatest if you submit an on-time application.

5. Are the placement priorities the same for every school and program? Are they weighted the same?
   No. Placement priorities vary by school and program and depend on the availability of seats. The weight given to a particular placement priority also may vary by school and program.

6. Does the placement priority apply to all school selections?
   No. If you would like to take an advantage of a placement priority, make sure you select the school with your placement priority as your First-Choice school selection. Placement priorities generally do not apply to an applicant’s second, third, fourth or fifth choice school/district selections.

7. Do applicants without a placement priority still receive placements?
   Yes! The majority of placements are filled with applicants who did not have a placement priority.

8. Where can I find information on the placement priorities that apply at a school or program?
   Details on the placement priorities for each school are indicated on the individual school pages in this guide and on the school cards available through the online application under Placement Priorities.
Placement Priorities

Learn about your Placement Priorities! The RSCO placement process may use one or more of these priorities in determining placements. Placement priorities vary by school and seat availability. These priorities do not guarantee placement at a school or program, but they may increase your chance of a placement offer for your child.

Most placement priorities only apply to the first-choice school or district. Even if you are eligible for a priority at more than one school or district, you will generally only receive priority for the school or district you rank as your first choice.

Please refer to the school/program descriptions to determine which priorities may be applicable.

CTECS Technical High School Applicant

- Alumni/Graduate
- Applicant Siblings
- CTECS Early Application
- CTECS Only
- Employee/Staff
- Enrolled Sibling

Open Choice Applicant

- Applicant Siblings
- Enrolled Sibling
- Former Resident
- Open Choice Only
- Pathway School

Magnet School Applicant

- Applicant Siblings
- Direct Pathway
- Employee/Staff or Partner College Student
- Enrolled Sibling
- Pathway School
- Partner District
- Residential Neighborhood
- Residential Zone
CTECS Alumni/Graduate
Priority is given to an applicant applying to the 9th grade who has a parent/legal guardian, sibling, or grandparent who graduated from A.I. Prince, E.C. Goodwin or Howell Cheney Technical High School.

CTECS Early Application Deadline
Applicants entering 9th grade must apply to the technical high schools by January 13, 2023 to be eligible to receive an early notification of a technical high school placement opportunity in February 2023.

CTECS Only
Applicants applying to the three Hartford Region Technical High Schools (A.I. Prince, E.C. Goodwin and Howell Cheney) as their only school choice option may receive priority based on available seats.

Direct Pathway
Some magnet schools offer a prekindergarten (PK) to grade 12 continuum experience through a shared theme and curriculum. Students attending an elementary or middle school with a direct pathway will receive the highest priority for placement at the direct pathway school’s entry grade. To be considered for this direct pathway placement, you must submit an on-time RSCO online application with your Direct Pathway School as your first choice.

Employee/Staff or Partner College/University
Employees of a CTECS or magnet school may receive priority for their children when applying to the school where they work. Employees of Goodwin University, University of Hartford, Manchester Community College, Capital Community College, and Trinity College may receive priority for their children when applying to their partner magnet school.

Former Resident Priority (Open Choice Program Only)
Priority may be given to applicants who move in or out of Hartford and apply to continue attending their Open Choice school district or school.

Open Choice Only
Applicants who only apply to the Open Choice program may receive priority based on available seats.

Residential Neighborhood
Priority may be given to an applicant based on how close the applicant lives to a nearby Magnet school that uses a neighborhood priority.

Pathway School
For a limited number of seats, priority may be given to students coming from one magnet school at the end grade to another magnet school at the entry grade. This increases a family’s chance of remaining in the magnet system as students transition from elementary to middle and middle to high school. For example, a student in 5th grade of a PK-5th grade school may have multiple pathway school options for 6th grade. In addition, Hartford resident students enrolled in PK4 at Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet may receive a pathway to Kindergarten to an Open Choice District associated with their residential zone.
Partner District
A partner district is a placement priority given to applicants who live in a town that has a partnership agreement with a magnet school.

Sibling(s):
RSCO has a policy of trying to keep families together in school and district placements. These priorities apply to siblings to accomplish that policy:

- **Applicant Sibling:** RSCO tries to place siblings together who share at least one biological parent or legal guardian and are in the same grade range. The siblings must submit an application during the same application period (either on time or late) to the same schools/Open Choice districts in the exact same order of preference. If seats are not available in the same school, siblings may be placed in different schools. When this happens, families may contact RSCO to decline one placement and request to keep that child on the waitlist for the sibling’s school. Placement depends on available seats and is not guaranteed.

- **Enrolled Sibling:** RSCO tries to place siblings in the same school as a sibling who is already enrolled in the school or district. Therefore, priority may be given to a child who is applying to the same school that their sibling currently attends. The siblings must share at least one biological parent or legal guardian. The sibling that is already enrolled in the school must continue to attend the school or district in the following school year or be in the final grade of that school or district. You must select the enrolled sibling’s school as your first choice to take advantage of this priority.

- **Twins/Multiples:** Twins and multiples work just like applying siblings. Efforts are made to link applications where two or more children share the same date of birth and at least one biological parent or legal guardian. The siblings must submit an application during the same application period (either on-time or late) to the same schools/Open Choice districts in the exact same order of prefer during the same application period.

Residential Zone
For Hartford Residents applying to Hartford Magnet Schools: Priority may be given to Hartford resident students living in specific Hartford residential zones and applying to certain schools, as follows:

- **Zone 1** and applying to Montessori Magnet at Fisher School, STEM Magnet at Annie Fisher School, Webster Micro Society Magnet School, or Breakthrough Magnet School North

- **Zone 2** and applying to Capital Preparatory Magnet School (Grades PK3–Grade 8 only) or Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School, North

- **Zone 3** and applying to Breakthrough Magnet School South, Environmental Sciences Magnet at Hooker School, Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School, South or Montessori Magnet at Batchelder School

- **Zone 4** and applying to Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: PK-8 Campus, Betances Learning Lab Magnet School, or Dwight-Bellizzi Dual Language Academy (Grades PK4 and Kindergarten only)
Common Questions to Consider When Applying

1. **Do I have to complete my application all at once or can I save and return to it later?**
   With our new application, you can go back into the application at a later time! You do not have to complete it all at one time but remember to submit it by February 28, 2023. RSCO will send emails before the deadline to remind families with incomplete applications to submit their application.

2. **Can I make changes to my RSCO application after February 28, 2023?**
   Beginning March 1, 2023, you may only edit your guardian and family profiles until the period in the spring when families may add other school selections to their application. RSCO will notify families that have not received a placement offer in the first few placement rounds about this new process that will allow them to add other schools to their application. Refer to page 22 for more information about making edits to your application.

3. **If I applied last year and did not receive a placement, do I have to reapply this year for the 2023–24 school year?**
   Yes. All waitlists expire on September 30th of each school year. Therefore, families must submit a new application for the 2023-24 school year.

4. **Can I submit more than one RSCO application for my child to increase my chances of placement?**
   No, you can only submit one (1) RSCO application for each child, either an on-time application or a late application but not both. If you submit multiple applications for the same child, RSCO will delete the duplicate applications and will only consider the first application submitted. RSCO will notify families that have not received a placement offer in the first few placement rounds about a new process that will allow them to add other schools to their application.

5. **Do I have to submit a separate application for each of my children?**
   Yes! If you are seeking placements for more than one child, you must create separate student cards for each child.

6. **How do I submit an application for siblings with the same date of birth (twins/multiples)?**
   RSCO tries to link applications where two or more siblings share the same birthday and at least one biological parent or legal guardian. In order to group the applications together, the applications for each of the siblings (twins/multiples) must:
   - Apply during the same application period (on-time or late);
   - Apply for the same grade level; and
   - Select the exact same schools or districts in the exact same rank order of preference starting with the first choice.
   Although RSCO makes every effort to link twin/multiple applicants, placement at a school or program for twins/multiples does not always occur. As always, placements vary by school and program and depend on seat availability.

7. **Is there a placement advantage to applying early?**
   There are no placement advantages to applying early! As long as you apply by February 28, 2023, your application is on-time. However, the only exception to this general rule is students applying to grade 9 at the Harford Region Technical High Schools who want to take advantage of the early application deadline of January 13, 2023.

8. **Do I have to apply to all three school choice programs (magnet schools, Open Choice Program or CTECS schools)?**
   No. You may apply to any one or all of the school choice programs that best fit the interest of your child and needs of your family. You should only apply to schools and programs you would like your child to attend.
9. How many schools can I select on the application for my child?

The number of selections depends on the program. Use this information as a reference for your choices:

- **Magnet Schools**: You may select up to five (5) schools that offer your child’s grade level. Rank the schools in order of preference.

- **Open Choice Program for Hartford Residents**: Hartford residents applying to the Open Choice Program may select up to five (5) school districts based on their resident zone and rank them in order of preference.

- **Open Choice Program for Suburban Residents**: Applicants may select the schools that serve their grade level and rank them in order of preference. There are two schools available for grades K-8 for the 2023-24 school year.

- **Hartford Region Technical High Schools**: Applicants entering 9th grade must apply to A.I. Prince Technical High School (Hartford), E.C. Goodwin Technical High School (New Britain), and Howell Cheney Technical High School (Manchester) and rank them in order of preference.

*Choice order matters for your placement priorities! Refer to pages 17-19 for more information.*

10. When is the Late Application Period?

The Late Application period begins on March 15, 2023 and ends on September 15, 2023 for the Hartford Region Technical High Schools, (A.I. Prince Tech, E.C. Goodwin Tech, and Howell Cheney Tech), Interdistrict Magnet Schools and the Hartford Region Open Choice Program.

11. What are my chances of receiving a placement offer if I submit a late application?

If a family misses the on-time period, we encourage them to apply during the late application period because, as in previous years, we will send placement offers to families with late applications as seats become available.
Making Changes to Your RSCO Application

Families are able to make most updates and changes by logging in to their RSCO account, using the email and password used to submit the application. Others require RSCO support.

Types of changes families can make

- **Guardian Profile**: The guardian profile may be updated at any time throughout the on-time and late application period.
- **Family Profile**: Most sections of the family profile (child profile cards and priority information) can be edited at any time during the on-time and late application period. There are a few exceptions: After an application is submitted, parents must contact RSCO to update their child(ren)’s date of birth, applying grade, and address.
- **School/District Selections and Choice Order**:
  - During the on-time application period: December 5, 2022 – February 28, 2023
  - During the late application period: March 15, 2023 – September 15, 2023
  - Families may make changes to their application selections. This can be done even if the application has been submitted.

Types of changes that need RSCO support

- **Parent/Guardian Email**: The email used to create you RSCO account can only be updated by RSCO.
- **Child’s Date of Birth, Applying Grade, and Address**: After an application is submitted, these fields can only be updated by RSCO. This is because these changes may impact program eligibility and could require a new application.

Important notes about change of address for the Open Choice Program:

- An applicant who moves out of Hartford is no longer eligible to apply to Open Choice Districts outside of Hartford.
- An applicant who moves into Hartford is no longer eligible to apply to Open Choice schools in the Hartford Public School District.

Phone: 860-713-6990  |  Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov
RSCO Account: www.rsco2.ct.gov
Responding to Placements: Placement and Waitlist Process

Part I: Placement Process

RSCO uses a computer-based placement process to place students who have submitted a complete and on-time application for available RSCO schools and programs. Families who submit a completed Late Application are also included in the placement process as additional seats become available up through September 30, 2023.

The Connecticut State Department of Education manages the RSCO placement process using a complex protocol that considers a variety of factors that can vary by school, program and operator. Key factors in assigning placements are the number of seats available, the grade level, and the applicants’ choices, along with socioeconomic factors (SES), student preferences, priorities (such as sibling, staff and neighborhood), pathways and other factors as described in RSCO School Choice materials to assign students to available seats by school and grade. There are more seats available at the entry grade in a school.

Important dates and deadline information for the RSCO placement and waitlist process

RSCO will communicate placement offers to families through email and text with details and important deadlines. Families can visit ChoiceEducation.org for updates.

Placement Announcement Timelines

February 2023: CTECS (technical high schools) early applicants

April 2023: CTECS, Magnet Schools and Open Choice on-time applicants

RSCO will continue placing students throughout the spring and summer as seats become available through September 30, 2023.

How to Respond

• Visit ChoiceEducation.org and select “Respond” or go to www.rsco2.ct.gov.
• Log in to your RSCO account using the email address & password you used to create your account.
• Select the response for each child — either accept or decline a placement offer. (Note: CTECS early applicants who applied to Magnet and/or Open Choice Programs have the options to also “hold” their CTECS early offer.)

RSCO Placement Process Rules

While applying to multiple schools and programs increases the chance of a placement, applicants are only eligible to receive one placement offer with a few exceptions. This means that once your child receives an offer, they are removed from all other waitlists so you should only apply to schools and programs that you would accept if your child receives an offer. There are a few exceptions to this rule, which are listed below. Please go to page 7 for more information on the General Rules of the Placement Process.

• Grade 9 applicants can decline a CTECS offer and remain eligible for a magnet or open choice offer or decline a magnet or Open Choice offer and remain eligible for a CTECS offer.
• Hartford residents can decline their first Open Choice offer and remain eligible for a second Open Choice offer.
• If siblings in the same grade range are placed in separate schools or programs, parents may decline the offer for one child and request to keep that child on the waitlist for a placement in the sibling's school.

It is important that families remember to update contact information (such as telephone number and email address) so RSCO is able to communicate important information regarding the application and placements.
1. Do all applicants receive a placement offer?
Although we would love to place every student that applies for a school choice opportunity, RSCO receives more applicants than available seats. Applying does not guarantee a placement.

The majority of seats are available at the entry grades (such as PK, K, 6th and 9th).

RSCO will notify families that have not received a placement offer in the first few placement rounds about a new process that will allow them to add other schools to their application and increase their likelihood of receiving a placement offer.

2. My child did not receive a placement offer to our first-choice school/program. Is my child eligible for other placements after receiving the first placement offer?
No. With such high demand, families generally receive only one placement offer in an application year and is not included on waitlists for other schools. If a child receives a placement offer, we hope that you will accept the placement regardless of the choice number and are excited to attend any school on their list.

3. I received a RSCO placement offer, what do I need to do?
Respond by the deadline in your letter, by logging into your RSCO account and register your child with the new school or district.

4. My application includes Magnet Schools and the Open Choice Program, will I receive an offer to both programs?
No. You may only receive an offer to a magnet school or Open Choice school but not both. You are not able to choose a preference for magnet schools over Open Choice or vice versa in the application if you choose both programs. If you receive a magnet offer, you will not receive an Open Choice offer and if you receive an Open Choice offer, you will not receive a magnet offer.

5. If my application includes CTECS and another program (magnet schools and/or the Open Choice Program), will I receive more than one placement offer for my child?
Families who receive a CTECS placement opportunity and included Magnet Schools and/or the Open Choice Program on the RSCO School Choice application have the choice to decline the CTECS offer and remain on the waitlist for magnet schools and/or Open Choice.
This is also true in the reverse. A magnet or Open Choice offer may be declined, and the application can remain on the waitlist for CTECS. If any offer is accepted, the application is removed from all other waitlists.

6. What is a CTECS placement “hold” and how does it affect my magnet or Open Choice placement opportunities?
An applicant who receives a CTECS placement opportunity in the early round may elect to “hold” the offer until completion of the first round of the magnet and Open Choice placement process.

The applicant must elect the “hold” option within the time specified in the offer letter or the offer is treated as an administrative decline for purposes of the CTECS offer.

Once the first round of the magnet and Open Choice placement process occurs in April, the applicant must choose to accept or decline the CTECS placement on hold.

7. My student is not selected for placement through the RSCO placement process. Is there anything else I can do?
Applicants who do not receive a placement offer will be placed on waitlists for the schools and programs selected on their application unless the applicant selects to be removed from the waitlists.

RSCO keeps applicants on the waitlist for the schools and programs selected on the application and will notify applicants if they receive a placement as we continue through the process. In addition, RSCO has developed a new process for families to increase their chance of a placement.

After the first few of placement offers rounds, families who have not received a placement offer will have the option to go back into their application and add new schools and programs!
Check out the new process to increase the chance of a placement!

Families who have not received a placement can use the new process to increase their chance of a placement. After the initial placement announcements, families who have not received a placement offer will have the option to go back into their application and add new schools and programs. RSCO will notify families in the spring when this feature is available.

Remember: If an applicant accepts an offer, they are no longer eligible for another placement offer. In most cases, receiving an offer also removes the application from all waitlists. Exceptions apply to CTECS and the Hartford Resident Open Choice Program.

Eligibility for the New Waitlist Process
In general, only applicants who have not received an offer are eligible to add new schools to their application. There are two exceptions:

1. Applicants who received and declined a CTECS offer are eligible to add magnet schools and Open Choice districts to their application.
2. Hartford residents who declined their first Open Choice offer are eligible to add additional Open Choice districts to their application.

New School and Program Selection Information
The new process is designed to help increase chances of a placement opportunity for applicants on school and program waitlists.

The features listed below will help families with their decision process:

- All the schools and programs will be categorized by large (red), medium (yellow), and small (green) waitlists
  - This information will update on a real time basis, so families know the size of the waitlist at any given time.
  - Choosing schools with a small waitlist increases your likelihood of a placement!
- Families will be able to indicate their order preference for their school/district selections per program type (magnet schools, Open Choice, CTECS). Based on your choice order, the system will attempt to place you in your preferred schools or districts first before moving to the other selections.
Where is my Child on the Waitlist?
RSCO is not able to provide waitlist numbers because we do not maintain a single waitlist for all schools and programs. Each school and program maintains different waitlists based on student preferences and priorities (like sibling and staff) for that school and maximizing socioeconomic diversity in each school. However, through the new process, families can view the size of the waitlist for each of their school and program selections based on a waitlist indicator. The waitlist indicator will let families know if the applicant pools for their selections are large, medium, or small. A small indicator means there is a good chance of placement if seats become available. We do not have set numbers for small, medium, and large waitlists. The cut-off can vary by grade and the number of available seats. In general, the waitlist indicator provides information on the likelihood of receiving an offer if seats become available. It is important to keep in mind that indicators can change over time. As offers are made or people remove themselves from the waitlist, the applicant pool could get smaller. A medium waitlist can turn to small, and a large waitlist can become medium. Be sure to monitor your RSCO account often for updates. We make placements through September as seats become available. Seats become available when other applicants decline a placement offer or a current student withdraws.

Waitlist Indicators

- **Small** (green) indicator means a good chance of an offer if seats are available
- **Medium** (yellow) indicator means an offer is unlikely in the next round of placements
- **Large** (red) indicator means a placement is unlikely

All waitlists for the 2023-24 school year expire on September 30, 2023.
The waitlists do not carry over from year to year, therefore, a placement on a waitlist in one school year does not impact the placement process in another school year. Most of the seat availability tends to be at the entry grades with limited seats available at the non-entry grade.
Transportation Zone Towns

### RSCO Transportation Information

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<td>RSCO does not provide transportation for PK3 and PK4 non-Hartford resident students who attend a magnet school. Families who transport their PK child to and from school for the entire school year are eligible for a stipend for a reimbursement. Complete an online reimbursement form, available at <a href="crec.org/transportation/forms.php">crec.org/transportation/forms.php</a>.</td>
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| Open Choice (K–12) | Transportation is provided but may vary depending on the Open Choice District and bus routing as follows:  
- **Neighborhood stop** is located in or near the student’s neighborhood.  
- **Central location** in or near the student’s resident town, often located in a public place.  
- **The towns of Plainville and Wethersfield** provide transportation services for Hartford Open Choice students attending their schools. |  |
| Magnet (K–12) | Transportation is provided but may vary depending on student’s residence and bus routing as follows:  
- **Neighborhood stop** is located in or near the student’s neighborhood.  
- **Central location** in or near the student’s resident town, often located in a public place.  
- **Students who enroll in a magnet school within their local district will receive in-district transportation.** For additional information, contact your district’s transportation office. |  |
| CTECS (9–12) | Transportation is provided, but services may vary depending upon student’s residence. |  |
| ASTE (9–12) Hartford Residents Only | Transportation is provided to Hartford residents. |  |
RSCO Transportation Information, continued

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<td>Students who do not live in one of the towns in the transportation zone should pursue the following options:</td>
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<td>1. Contact RSCO Transportation to discuss dropping off and picking up their child from an existing centralized bus stop.</td>
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<td>2. Provide transportation to and from the magnet school. Parents/guardians that use this option are eligible to receive a $5 per day reimbursement, that is based on the student's attendance and is mailed during the summer months. To receive the reimbursement, parents/guardians must:</td>
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<td>a. Transport their child for the entire school year, and</td>
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<td>Returning students</td>
<td>If a student’s address is the same as last school year, transportation should start on the student’s first day of school. If a student’s address has changed since last school year, transportation may not start on the student’s first day of school. Communicate any changes to your school as soon as possible because your child may need to be assigned to a different bus stop.</td>
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You are not alone in this process! RSCO partners and community organizations are here to help. RSCO and the other organizations listed below offer School Choice application assistance and general information about School Choice and your options. Reach out to talk through your options, get the information you need, and select schools and programs that work best for your family and give your child the best chance for a placement. Hours of operation vary among sites. Please call ahead to schedule an appointment (in-person or virtual). Note: Sites and information are subject to change based on updates for 2022-23.

### RSCO’s Primary School Choice Application Assistance Sites

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<td>450 Columbus Blvd., Plaza Level, Suite 28, Hartford</td>
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<td>860-713-6990</td>
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<td>RChoiceEducation.org</td>
<td>Mon–Fri, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.</td>
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<td>CREC Welcome Center</td>
<td>111 Charter Oak Ave., Hartford</td>
<td><a href="mailto:schoolchoice@crec.org">schoolchoice@crec.org</a></td>
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<td><a href="http://www.choosecrec.org">www.choosecrec.org</a></td>
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<td>Hartford Public Schools Office of Enrollment and School Choice</td>
<td>330 Wethersfield Ave., 1st Floor, Hartford</td>
<td>860-695-8876</td>
<td>Mon–Fri, 8 a.m.–4 p.m.</td>
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<td>Hartford Public Library (HPL) Downtown Branch</td>
<td>500 Main St., Children's Room, Hartford</td>
<td>hplct.org/library-services/parents/school-choice-assistance</td>
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<td>HPL Albany Branch</td>
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<td>261 Barbour St., Hartford</td>
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<td>CRT-Douglas St.</td>
<td>170 Douglas St., Hartford</td>
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<td>CRT-Job Corps</td>
<td>100 William Shorty Campbell Blvd., Hartford</td>
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<td>CRT-Thomas T D Ritter</td>
<td>555 Windsor Street, Hartford</td>
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<td>Imagineers, LLC</td>
<td>635 Farmington Ave., Hartford</td>
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<td>Institute for the Hispanic Family/ Catholic Charities</td>
<td>45 Wadsworth St., Hartford</td>
<td>860-524-6853 ext. 221/222</td>
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<td>Hartford Communities That Care</td>
<td>2550 Main Street, Hartford</td>
<td>860-236-4511, ext. 3416</td>
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<td>Literacy Volunteers of Greater Hartford</td>
<td>30 Arbor St., Hartford</td>
<td>860-233-3853</td>
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<td>The Village for Families &amp; Children, Inc.</td>
<td>1680 Albany Ave., Hartford</td>
<td>860-236-4511, ext. 3416</td>
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<td>Blue Hills Civic Association</td>
<td>1229 Albany Ave., Hartford</td>
<td>860-560-7360, ext. 102</td>
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<td>SS Cyril &amp; Methodius Child Development Center</td>
<td>45 Groton St., Hartford</td>
<td>860-206-9265</td>
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<td>Parker Memorial Family Center</td>
<td>2621 Main St., Hartford</td>
<td>860-757-0827</td>
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<td>Southside Family Center</td>
<td>35 Groton St., Hartford</td>
<td>860-297-7800</td>
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Join us for a night out at our Family Fun Nights where you can find information about your school choice options, receive help with the application, and enjoy fun activities for the whole family! Dates and times subject to change.

**RSCO Family Fun Nights**

**Tuesday, December 13, 2022**
5:00–7:00 p.m.
Riverside Magnet School at Goodwin University
29 Willowbrook Road, East Hartford

**Tuesday, January 10, 2023,**
5:00–7:00 p.m.
Computer Science & Engineering Middle School
337 East River Drive, East Hartford

**Wednesday, January 18, 2023**
4:00–6:00 p.m.
Sport and Medical Sciences Academy
280 Huysheope Avenue, Hartford

**Tuesday, January 24, 2023**
5:30–7:30 p.m.
Academy of Aerospace Elementary
7 Gardner Way, Rocky Hill

**Thursday, February 16, 2023**
4:00–6:00 p.m.
Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy (HMTCA)
53 Vernon Street, Hartford

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RSCO and RSCO partners are working together to provide extended weekday hours to ensure you get the information and help you need to complete your RSCO School Choice Application. **Extended hours will run from December 8, 2022, through February 28, 2023** at the times and locations indicated in the Extended Hours Section.

- In-person application assistance is available at the CREC Welcome Center and the Hartford Public Schools Office of Enrollment and School Choice at the dates, times, and locations indicated on the next page.
- Email, in-app messaging, and telephone support is available through RSCO, the CREC Welcome Center, and the Hartford Public Schools Office of Enrollment and School Choice during extended hours. Please refer to the listings on the next page for the dates, times, locations, and ways to contact us.

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All of our RSCO Choice Schools host Open House Events, Information Sessions, and provide tours of their schools so you can get a first-hand experience in the school and learn about the specific program. Scan the QR Code to find the full calendar or go to [https://fairs.rsco2.ct.gov/events/](https://fairs.rsco2.ct.gov/events/).
Be sure to check back often for updates to the calendar!
Extended Hours for Information and Application Assistance

**Thursday, December 8, 2022, 4:00–6:00 p.m.**
HPS Welcome Center Telephone: 860-695-8876
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging
Hartford Public Schools Office of Enrollment & School Choice, 330 Wethersfield Avenue, 1st Floor, Hartford

**Thursday, December 15, 2022, 5:00–6:30 p.m.**
RSCO Telephone: 860-713-6990
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging

**Tuesday, December 20, 2022, 5:00–6:30 p.m.**
RSCO Telephone: 860-713-6990
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging
In-person support is not available, but an RSCO representative can be reached using email, in-app messaging, or phone.

**Wednesday, December 21, 2022, 5:00–6:30 p.m.**
CREC Welcome Center Telephone: 860-509-3700
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging
CREC Welcome Center, 111 Charter Oak Avenue, Hartford

**Wednesday, January 4, 2023, 5:00–6:30 p.m.**
CREC Welcome Center Telephone: 860-509-3700
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging
CREC Welcome Center, 111 Charter Oak Avenue, Hartford

**Thursday, January 5, 2023, 4:00–6:00 p.m.**
HPS Welcome Center Telephone: 860-695-8876
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging
Hartford Public Schools Office of Enrollment & School Choice, 330 Wethersfield Avenue, 1st Floor, Hartford

**Thursday, January 12, 2023, 5:00–6:30 p.m.**
RSCO Telephone: 860-713-6990
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging
In-person support is not available, but an RSCO representative can be reached using email, in-app messaging, or phone.

**Wednesday, January 18, 2023**
CREC Welcome Center Telephone: 860-509-3700
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging
CREC Welcome Center, 111 Charter Oak Avenue, Hartford

**Tuesday, January 24, 2023, 5:00–6:30 p.m.**
RSCO Telephone: 860-713-6990
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging
In-person support is not available, but an RSCO representative can be reached using email, in-app messaging, or phone.

**Tuesday, January 31, 2023, 5:00–6:30 p.m.**
RSCO Telephone: 860-713-6990
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging
In-person support is not available, but an RSCO representative can be reached using email, in-app messaging, or phone.

**Wednesday, February 1, 2023, 5:00–6:30 p.m.**
CREC Welcome Center Telephone: 860-509-3700
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging
CREC Welcome Center, 111 Charter Oak Avenue, Hartford

**Thursday, February 9, 2023, 4:00–6:00 p.m.**
HPS Welcome Center Telephone: 860-695-8876
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging
Hartford Public Schools Office of Enrollment & School Choice 330 Wethersfield Avenue–1st Floor, Hartford

**Wednesday, February 15, 2023, 5:00–6:30 p.m.**
CREC Welcome Center Telephone: 860-509-3700
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging
CREC Welcome Center, 111 Charter Oak Avenue, Hartford

**Monday, February 27, 2023, 5:00–6:30 p.m.**
RSCO Telephone: 860-713-6990
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging

**Tuesday, February 28, 2023, 5:00–6:30 p.m.**
CREC Welcome Center Telephone: 860-509-3700
RSCO Email: rsco.sde@ct.gov, RSCO In-app messaging
CREC Welcome Center, 111 Charter Oak Avenue, Hartford
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 Street.
- 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.

Building Security Information

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

**Spanish language assistance with RSCO online application:**
- By phone at 860-713-6990;
- In person at the Parent Information Center, 450 Columbus Blvd., Suite P28, Hartford, CT 06103; or
- At application assistance sites (see page 31)

**Assistance in other languages:**
- Arabic, Chinese, French, Hindi, Korean, Polish, and Portuguese language assistance is available using interpretation services at 860-713-6990.
- Visit [ChoiceEducation.org](http://ChoiceEducation.org) and use the Google Translate™ translation service feature.
Interdistrict Magnet Schools in the Greater Hartford Region

Prekindergarten through 12th grade options
Interdistrict Magnet Schools in the Greater Hartford Region

Prekindergarten (PK) through 12th grade options available

Magnet Schools are public schools that offer innovative, hands-on learning environments through specific themes and special programming to make learning exciting, challenging, and engaging. Magnet school students love to learn!

Students from the Greater Hartford Region attend magnet schools together and learn in an enriching environment that reflects the real world. Students become active learners and dive into special themes and programming through hands-on activities. The schools utilize a variety of academic themes and special programming to prepare students for the future, including themes like Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), visual and performing arts, International Baccalaureate, and Montessori.

Magnet schools are operated by Bloomfield Public Schools, the Capitol Region Education Council (CREC), East Hartford Public Schools, Goodwin University Educational Services (GUES), or Hartford Public Schools.

Read on for information about the available themes and the unique and exciting magnet schools available to families through the RSCO application.

Find the magnet schools that match your child’s interests and skills and begin their learning adventure!

School Description Legend:

- ✔️ School Hours
- ✉️ Email Contact
- ☎️ Telephone Contact
- 🌐 Website
- 🧳 Uniform Required
- ⬆️ Student:Teacher Ratio
- 💰 PK Tuition
- ☀️ Before/After Care
1. **Who can apply?**
   Hartford and suburban residents with children entering prekindergarten (age 3 and 4) through 12th grade. Prekindergarten and kindergarten age requirements are on page 6.

2. **Is there tuition for prekindergarten (PK)?**
   Schools managed by Capitol Region Education Council (CREC) and Goodwin University Education Services (GUES) charge preschool tuition on a sliding scale based on family income. The fee for prekindergarten is determined annually. The fee for 2022-23 did not exceed $4,900 per family. Updated preschool tuition rates for the 2023-24 school year will be published in Spring 2023. Please check with the school for specific details.

3. **How many magnet schools may I select?**
   Applicants may choose up to five (5) magnet schools and rank them in order of preference.

4. **Where are the schools located?**
   The Interdistrict Magnet Schools available to families through the RSCO application are located in Hartford and surrounding towns including Avon, Bloomfield, East Hartford, Enfield, Glastonbury, Hartford, Manchester, New Britain, Rocky Hill, South Windsor, West Hartford, Wethersfield, and Windsor.

5. **What type of themes are offered at magnet schools?**
   There are a wide range of innovative and engaging 21st century themes available at the magnet schools in the Greater Hartford Region, ranging from themes like performing and visual arts and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), to Montessori, Reggio and character education. Some of the themes may be new to you. Check out pages 40-41 for theme descriptions to help inform your choices.

6. **How do placement priorities help in placements to magnet schools?**
   Placement priorities (such as enrolled sibling, staff, neighborhood, zone, pathway, and other factors) do not guarantee placement in a school; however, they may increase likelihood of a placement. These priorities vary by school and program and depend on the availability of seats. The magnet school descriptions on pages 43-95 indicate the placement priorities that apply to each school. Placement priorities increase your likelihood of placement if they apply to the magnet school you select as your first choice.

7. **If my application includes Magnet Schools and the Open Choice Program, will I receive an offer to both programs?**
   You may only receive an offer to a magnet school or Open Choice school but not both. You are not able to choose a preference for magnet schools over Open Choice or vice versa in the application if you choose both programs. If you receive a magnet offer, you will not receive an Open Choice offer and if you receive an Open Choice offer, you will not receive a magnet offer.

Read on for information about themes, alphabetical lists of the magnet schools, and magnet school descriptions to find a great fit for your child!
Magnet School Themes

Here is a list of just a few of the exciting and inquiry-based themes available to students through interdistrict magnet schools! The school descriptions on pages 43-95 provide the theme for each school.

- **Advanced Manufacturing**
  The Advanced Manufacturing theme provides students with the skills and training required for a career in the high-demand advanced manufacturing field. Through hands-on experience on state-of-the-art technology equipment, students develop the skills to prepare them for future careers and/or advanced education in manufacturing, engineering, logistics, and more.

- **Early College/College Prep**
  Early College and College Preparatory themed schools focus on college and career readiness at graduation, using a college model environment and providing an early start on earning college credit.

- **Early Childhood**
  These magnet schools are for our youngest students and focus on developing a love of learning and creating a sense of wonder about the environment, culture, and our world.

- **Character Education**
  The Character Education theme focuses on educating the whole child and preparing students for success in middle school, high school, and beyond as citizens and contributing members of society.

- **Computer Science and Engineering**
  This theme offers opportunities in computer science and engineering for students to learn coding and design for websites, applications (apps), and game development – all important 21st century skills!

- **Dual Language**
  A dual language education creates a language immersion experience in English and Spanish in all academic class time. This approach develops language skills in the English and Spanish, with the goal of bilingual fluency for our young learners.

- **Global Studies & World Travel**
  Geared toward the 21st century global environment, this theme challenges students with rigorous academics and prepares them to become responsible, civic-minded citizens with intercultural understanding and respect.

- **International Baccalaureate (IB)**
  The IB theme is geared toward the 21st century global environment by preparing students for college and beyond through rigorous academics, critical-thinking, and independence. IB uses the international baccalaureate learner profile to challenge students through global-minded academics to get them ready to participate in the world with intercultural understanding and respect.

- **MicroSociety**
  Students in a MicroSociety experience a wide variety of learning environments by creating miniature societies within the school to prepare students to be engaged and active citizens. The six major components of the MicroSociety are: Technology, Economy, Academy, Citizenship and Government, Humanities and the Arts, and Heart. Through active student government and academic engagement, students participate in decision-making for their school society and connect learning to the real world.
Montessori
The Montessori theme offers students a nurturing and supportive learning environment that provides rigorous academic challenges while focusing on developing students’ social, emotional, academic, and physical needs. The curriculum is delivered through a hands-on approach to learning and puts students at the center of their skill development. The Montessori principles encourage respect, independence, curiosity, and diversity.

Multiple Intelligences
The Multiple Intelligences theme focuses on developing intelligence by allowing students to experience different ways of learning, including through linguistics, logical-mathematical, visual-spatial, musical, bodily-kinesthetic, interpersonal, intrapersonal, and naturalist. These eight areas are integrated in the classroom activities and learning modules to accommodate all learning styles and build on students’ individual strengths. This mixture of intelligences provides students with the opportunity for learning based on their needs, interests, and skills.

Museum Studies
This theme transcends the traditional classroom and creates a unique learning environment for students through partnerships with museums as an educational resource and site for exciting and stimulating excursions. Students learn to think for themselves and ask questions through a strong inquiry-based and exploratory learning environment.

Reggio Emilia
The Reggio theme supports an individualized learning environment inspired by the Italian Reggio Emilia approach. The curriculum is designed to respect a child’s point of view, and students are empowered to direct their learning. With the teacher acting as a guide, project-based learning opportunities inspire high levels of creativity, critical thinking, and collaborative problem solving.

Social Justice
With a focus on social justice, character education, and civic leadership, these schools promote social and individual responsibility, global understanding, community engagement, and student empowerment. Academics, field experiences, and leadership skills help students develop tenacity, accomplishment, courage, community wellness, and a commitment to justice.

Sports and Medical Sciences
The Sport and Medical Science theme integrates academics and advanced technology into the learning experience with a focus on medical science in the sports context. The theme is integrated throughout the core curriculum to prepare students for advanced studies in sports medicine, exercise science, and health management.

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math)
Students interested in science, math and technology will thrive in this setting! STEM prepares students for college and careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics and fosters inquiring minds, logical reasoning, and great collaboration.

STREAM (Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Arts, Math)
This theme is closely related to STEM but adds Art and Reading to the mix. STREAM focuses on inquiry-based learning and inspires students to become lifelong learners from an early age. STREAM teaches students to interact with the world through both artistic and scientific processes.

Technology
The Technology theme prepares students for the ever-changing demands of a technologically advanced global society by engaging students in the design, implementation and support of advanced technological systems and exposing them to 21st century technological skills through the core curriculum and extensive electives, such as graphic digital design, computer coding, and web design.

Visual and Performing Arts
We have several magnet schools that are specifically geared to students interested in art, music, dance, digital arts, creative writing, theater design and other forms of performance art. The themed approach integrates a rigorous core curriculum with instruction focused on the arts.
Prekindergarten (PK) Schools

Find Your Prekindergarten (PK) Magnet School

Bloomfield
- Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School

Hartford
- Hartford Prekindergarten Magnet School: North Campus
- Hartford Prekindergarten Magnet School: South Campus

Wethersfield
- CREC Preschool at Progress Drive

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* CREC’s Preschool at Progress Drive (PK3-PK4) provides direct pathways to kindergarten at three of CREC’s PK-Grade 5 magnet schools: Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary (Theme: STEM), Glastonbury/East Hartford Magnet School (Theme: STEM), and University of Hartford Magnet School (Theme: Multiple Intelligences).
CREC Preschool at Progress Drive
123 Progress Drive, Wethersfield, CT 06109

PK3 and PK4

Yes
8:40 a.m. to 3:35 p.m.
Yes

About Us
CREC’s Preschool at Progress Drive is an extension of three CREC magnet schools: Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary (Rocky Hill), Glastonbury East Hartford Magnet School (Glastonbury), and University of Hartford Magnet School (Hartford). When applying to Progress Drive, families have the unique opportunity to select a direct pathway to continue the magnet experience in kindergarten – grade 5 at one of these three magnet schools. On the RSCO application, the following three options are available for CREC’s Preschool at Progress Drive:

- CREC Preschool at Progress Drive, Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary Pathway
- CREC Preschool at Progress Drive, Glastonbury East Hartford Magnet School Pathway
- CREC Preschool at Progress Drive, University of Hartford Magnet School Pathway

Upon enrollment, Progress Drive students will be placed in classrooms with peers who share the same pathway, which means they will have established friendships when transitioning to the new school for kindergarten. Classrooms will also incorporate the theme of the pathway school.

Contact the pathway schools for more information about their theme and program offerings:

Academy of Aerospace & Engineering Elementary
860-529-1652
aae.crecschools.org

Glastonbury/East Hartford Magnet School
860-633-4455
gehms.crecschools.org

University of Hartford Magnet School
860-236-2899
uhms.crecschools.org

Our Mission
In partnership with our families and community, the preschool strives to shape the social, emotional and intellectual development of our preschool students. We provide a developmentally appropriate, play-based learning environment, which nurtures and encourages uniqueness, creativity, and respects equity, diversity and inclusion. We strive to create a positive, safe learning environment where children learn, play, grow, and thrive together.

Early Childhood Program Philosophy and Curriculum
We believe that children learn best in an environment where their interests and opinions are supported, their solutions to problems are encouraged, and active learning through play is valued. Our philosophy emphasizes respect for self, others, and the classroom environment.

CRECs Early Childhood Program curriculum has its base in developmentally appropriate practice and uses the State of Connecticut Early Learning and Development Standards (CT ELDS) as a guideline for curriculum development. The CT ELDS are learning and developmental outcomes to be intentionally addressed through planned experiences, materials, and interactions. Learning outcomes are achieved through:

- a variety of hands-on discovery activities and materials on a daily basis that support learning goals
- responsive teaching staff who meet the individual needs of the children and families we serve
- reflective practices that create an environment of inclusion and honor diversity
- partnership with families that fosters strong reciprocal relationships and achieves mutually desired goals

Our curriculum is implemented using teacher observation and documentation to plan theme-based, developmentally appropriate experiences where children can explore, experiment, play and ask questions.
Before & After Care
PreK Annex Before Care hours are 7:30–8:40 a.m. each school day. On delayed openings, Before Care begins one hour prior to the start of school. PreK Annex After Care hours are 3:15–5:30 p.m. on regular school days. On early dismissal days, After Care hours are from 12:00–5:30 p.m. For more information, please visit our school website or contact the main office at prekannexoffice@crec.org.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select the appropriate CREC Preschool at Progress Drive pathways option as their first-choice school selection.

**Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary Pathway**
- Applying as a Sibling at Progress Drive or at a direct pathway school
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member at Progress Drive or at a direct pathway school

**Glastonbury East Hartford Magnet School Pathway**
- Applying as a Sibling at Progress Drive or at a direct pathway school
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member at Progress Drive or at a direct pathway school

**University of Hartford Magnet School Pathway**
- Applying as a Sibling at Progress Drive or at a direct pathway school
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member at Progress Drive or at a direct pathway school

Continuing the magnet experience!
Once enrolled at the CERC Preschool at Progress Drive, PK4 students that are interested in continuing their magnet experience to kindergarten should submit an on-time RSCO online application and select their direct pathway school as the first choice to receive this priority. Applicants are only eligible for a direct pathway priority for the school associated with their preschool placement. For example, if your child receives a placement offer for CREC Preschool at Progress Drive, Glastonbury East Hartford Magnet School Pathway, they are only eligible for priority at Glastonbury East Hartford Magnet School.

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About Us
At Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School, we understand that preschool years are so important to a child’s social and academic development and provide the perfect learning environment to encourage curious, confident, and engaged lifelong learners. Children participate in an instructional program that develops communications skills through the exploration of concepts using art, music, drama, science, technology and mathematics, supported by interactive experiences with children’s literature. Through creative play and hands-on activities, students learn about the world around them and demonstrate the ability to observe, question, conduct investigations, make predictions, draw conclusions, and communicate findings. An exciting language-rich environment supports bilingual development in both first and second languages in our youngest learners. Our nurturing and rich academic and social environment allows students to develop strong social and academic skills, and exhibit curiosity, creativity, self-direction and persistence in learning situations that prepares them for a smooth transition into kindergarten.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: North Campus as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Hartford Residential Zone 1
- Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood

Features & Achievements
Students learn in a balanced program that offers children whole group, small group and center based learning experiences, providing multiple opportunities for children to be actively involved in learning, and develop academic and social skills. Every child has access to big books, little books, eBooks, audiobooks to ensure that all students experience the very best literature and informational text, at school and at home. A partnership with Hartford Performs provides students with inspirational experiences in the arts. The school's state-of-the-art technology — iPads and SMART Boards — richens the classroom instruction, enhances learning, and provides children with daily, hands-on, inquiry-based learning activities. Our LEGO™ Lab provides students with hands-on learning and creative play opportunities.

Continuing the magnet experience!
PK4 students enrolled in Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School may receive a pathway priority when applying to kindergarten at the following schools:
- Betances Learning Lab
- Breakthrough Magnet School, North
- Breakthrough Magnet School, South
- Capital Preparatory Magnet School
- Environmental Sciences Magnet at Hooker School
- Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: PK-8 Campus
- Montessori Magnet at Batchelder School
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- STEM Magnet at Annie Fisher School
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Placement Priorities
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- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Hartford Residential Zone 3
- Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood

Features & Achievements
Students learn in a balanced program that offers children whole group, small group and center based learning experiences, providing multiple opportunities for children to be actively involved in learning, and developing academic and social skills. Every child has access to big books, little books, eBooks, audiobooks to ensure that all students experience the very best literature and informational text, at school and at home. A partnership with Hartford Performs provides students with inspirational experiences in the arts. The school’s state-of-the-art technology — iPads and SMART Boards — enriches the classroom instruction, enhances learning, and provides children with daily, hands-on, inquiry-based learning activities. Our LEGO™ Lab provides students with hands-on learning and creative play opportunities.

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- Montessori Magnet at Batchelder School
- Montessori Magnet School at Fisher School
- STEM Magnet at Annie Fisher School
- Webster Micro Society Magnet School
About Us

*Motto: Nourishing the Seeds of Knowledge through Wonder and Discovery*

Wintonbury is an early childhood school that houses 18 classrooms of preschool children (3- to 5-year-old) in a mixed age and inclusive setting. Students learn through play and inquiry in their classroom and at several unique, on-site, outdoor learning environments, including a courtyard, greenhouse, and three playgrounds. Our highly qualified teachers and early childhood instructional assistants engage children in meaningful play in intentionally designed environments that support developmental standards.

Classroom environments are designed specifically for young learners and follow a predictable daily schedule that includes group times, centers, outdoor learning, and other activities. Independence, self-regulation, language, and relationships are central to learning and are embedded into our curriculum.

Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School only enrolls students from the following towns based on residency as of the date of the placement offer: **Avon, Bloomfield, East Granby, Granby, Hartford, Simsbury, and West Hartford**. Residency as of the date of the placement offer is verified during registration. Families should make sure to update address information during the application period to determine eligibility for a placement based on town of residence.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member

Features

Every three weeks classrooms visit Auerfarm, a 4-H Education Center located in Bloomfield, to make real world connections to early childhood science concepts. The ongoing connections between agriculture and learning is one of the many reasons why Wintonbury has a partnership with the 4-H Education Center at Auerfarm. Farm experiences are connected the classrooms for further exploration. Families are encouraged to volunteer as chaperones for class trips to the farm.

Strong family involvement is a school goal! Wintonbury welcomes and encourages families to volunteer in their child’s classroom, within the school, and/or during PTO events such as literacy night, fundraisers or the Scholastic Book Fair.

Before & After Care

Wintonbury students may participate in before, after, or before and after school programs for a fee. Before school fee: $210 per week. After school fee: $310 per week. Before and after school care fee: $425 per week.

Continuing the magnet experience!

Hartford resident students enrolled in Pre-K 4 at Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School may receive a pathway priority when applying to Kindergarten in the following schools and programs:

- Academy of International Studies Elementary School
- Betances Learning Lab Magnet School
- Environmental Sciences Magnet at Hooker School
- Open Choice School Districts
- Glastonbury/East Hartford Magnet School
- Riverside Magnet School at Goodwin University
Elementary and Elementary-Middle Schools

Find Your Elementary or Elementary-Middle Magnet School

Avon
- Reggio Magnet School of the Arts

Bloomfield
- Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School
- Museum Academy

East Hartford
- Riverside Magnet School at Goodwin University

Glastonbury
- Glastonbury/East Hartford Magnet School

Hartford
- Betances Learning Lab Magnet School
- Breakthrough Magnet School, North
- Breakthrough Magnet School, South
- Capital Preparatory Magnet School
- Dwight-Bellizzi Dual Language Academy
- Environmental Sciences Magnet at Hooker School
- Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: PK-8 Campus
- Montessori Magnet at Batchelder School
- Montessori Magnet at Fisher School
- Montessori Magnet School (CREC)
- STEM Magnet at Annie Fisher School
- Webster Micro Society Magnet School

Rocky Hill
- Academy of Aerospace & Engineering Elementary

South Windsor
- Academy of International Studies School

Wethersfield
- Discovery Academy

West Hartford
- University of Hartford Magnet School
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*Accepting applications for grades PK4 and kindergarten
About Us
Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary School's STEM theme ignites elementary students' curiosity, develops advanced problem-solving, and builds confidence to explore. Science comes alive in state-of-the-art classrooms and the school's brand-new facility. Along with traditional core subjects, students develop an extraordinary foundational knowledge in the four parts of STEM literacy — science, technology, engineering, and mathematics — which provides the skills to conduct investigations, gather and use information, and solve problems using scientific methods of thinking and technology as tools. The curriculum empowers young learners to build their knowledge and understanding of the world around them.

The school grounds reflect the heart and soul of the school community, including a butterfly garden supported by National Wildlife Federation (NWF) and the Connecticut Forest and Park Association (CFPA). Our partnerships with Roaring Brook Nature Center, LEGO, The Children’s Museum, and local STEM companies provide students with hands-on, STEM-based learning to promote exploration and fosters scientific thinking.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Academy of Aerospace & Engineering Elementary School as their first-choice school selection.
- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Rocky Hill
- Applying as a PK4 student from a direct pathway school: CREC Preschool at Progress Drive, Aerospace Pathway

Features & Achievements
- Aerospace STEM Night brings students and families together to complete various aerospace challenges
- Student Action Team is a collective group of students who live as change-makers by contributing solutions in an ever-changing society
- Parent Groups create opportunities for a cross-connection between families and the school community

Before & After Care
Before school care fee: $126.20 per month.
After school care fee: $243.40 per month.
Fees may vary based on program hours.

Continuing the magnet experience!
Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary 5th grade students have a direct pathway to 6th grade at Academy of Aerospace and Engineering 6 to 12. To be eligible for this pathway, applicants must submit an on-time RSCO online application with Academy of Aerospace and Engineering 6 to 12 as their first choice.

Grade 5 students enrolled at Aerospace Elementary may also receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:
- Academy of Computer Science and Engineering
- Academy of International Studies
- Academy of Science and Innovation
- Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School
About Us

Motto: We Live IB

Academy of International Studies Elementary School (International Elementary) develops smart, independent, globally minded citizens at the very beginning of their education. Recognized as a Magnet School of Excellence, International Elementary provides the highly acclaimed International Baccalaureate (IB) Primary Years Programme (PYP) to deepen academic development and develop global citizens who take action for a better, more peaceful world. Through the IB PYP program, students perform academically at the highest level and become global citizens who appreciate diversity to ready students for success in the 21st century world.

An IB education offers high quality, challenging educational programs for students starting at age 3 that encourages personal development and academic achievement. It challenges students to think critically, to ask the right questions, and to make connections across subject areas. As an accredited IB World School, International Elementary offers a student-centered approach to education that nurtures and develops young students as caring, active participants in a lifelong journey of learning. We have an International Partnership with Doshisha International Academy in Kyoto, Japan.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Academy of International Studies Elementary School as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying as a PK4 Hartford resident from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School

Clubs & Activities

Gender & Sexuality Alliance (GSA), PRIDE Club, Student Action Team, Hartford Yard Goats Student Engagement Program, After school enrichment program for K–5 students

Before & After Care

Before school care fee: $126.20 per month. After school care fee: $243.40 per month. Fees may vary based on program hours.

International Elementary 5th grade students have a direct pathway to 6th grade at Academy of International Studies 6 to 12. To be eligible for this pathway, applicants must submit an on-time RSCO online application with Academy of International Studies 6 to 12 as their first choice.

Grade 5 students enrolled in Academy of International Studies Elementary School may also receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:

- Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School
- Academy of Aerospace and Engineering
- Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle School
- Academy of Science & Innovation
Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School
129 Griffin Rd. North, Bloomfield, CT 06002

PK3 to Grade 8
8:40 a.m. to 3:35 p.m. anagraceofficestaff@crec.org 860-677-0380 agaaems.crechs.org No Yes Yes

About Us
Motto: Love Wins
Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School (Ana Grace) provides a safe and caring education space featuring strong academics and artistic expression at our remarkable new facility. Our methods are geared toward hands-on artistic opportunities taught by professional artists. Ana Grace provides students with traditional core subjects while infusing arts into their daily experiences to discover and develop new passions and talents. Learning comes alive with specialized art classes and collaborations with community partners like The Ana Grace Project, Hartford Stage, and Charter Oak Cultural Center. Beyond academics, students will explore vocal and instrumental music, visual and digital arts, dance, theater, and more. Middle school students prepare for high school through a challenging core curriculum tailored to their individual needs that integrates an art-themed focus to grow artistic abilities and promote individual interests. Student success is reinforced by an exceptional group of educators who truly care about students and place a high value on their educational, emotional, and social progress.

Small group instruction with daily guidance in important curricular skills is a hallmark at Ana Grace. Students read and write in volume and find challenging and relevant curricular topics in core classes. In the arts, students choose from a variety of specialized courses and have the option to change and rotate through these disciplines during the year. Daily arts instruction begins in PK3. In grades 6-8, students engage in a daily College Preparatory block, individualized to allow focused time for support, intervention, enrichment, and extension, ensuring individual student success.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Ana Grace Academy of the Arts as their first-choice school selection.
- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member

• Applying as a 5th-grade student from a pathway school: Academy of Aerospace & Engineering Elementary School, Academy of International Studies Elementary School, Discovery Academy, Glastonbury-East Hartford Magnet School, Montessori Magnet School (CREC), Museum Academy, Reggio Magnet School of the Arts, University of Hartford Magnet School

Clubs & Activities
All Grades: Gender & Sexuality Alliance (GSA), PRIDE Club Student Action Team, Love for All Club
Grades 6-8: After school arts club, music, concert, band

Before & After Care
Before school care fee: $126.20 per month. After school care fee: $243.40 per month. Fees may vary based on program hours.

Continuing the magnet experience!
Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School 8th grade students have a direct pathway to 9th grade at either Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts High School (Full Day) or Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts Half Day Program. To be eligible for direct pathway priority, applicants must submit an on-time RSCO application and make either the Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts High School (Full Day) or Half Day Program their first-choice school.

Students enrolled in grades 5 and 8 at Ana Grace Academy of the Arts may also receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:
- Academy of Aerospace and Engineering
- Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle School
- Academy of Computer Science & Engineering
- Academy of International Studies
- Academy of Science and Innovation
**About Us**

*Motto: Where Wise Readers Become Great Leaders!*

Betances Learning Lab (BLL) Magnet School operates with the core belief that young children are highly capable learners and prepares students to be independent, innovative, and responsible members of an ever-changing global world. BLL focuses on early literacy achievement and exposes students to all genres of literature from prekindergarten through 4th grade. On top of the literacy-based focus, BLL provides integrated arts and hands-on STEM experiences to round out the curriculum. BLL’s dedicated teachers use research-based best practices to tailor the curriculum to individual interests and learning styles to ensure every student is learning and achieving to their greatest potential. Warm and engaging classrooms give students the opportunity to learn from each other during small, multi-age group activities and build long-lasting friendships.

Betances Learning Lab collaborates with community partners, including the Hartford Public Library, Connecticut Science Center, Wadsworth Museum, Read to a Child Program and the Bushnell to provide rich integrated arts and STEM experiences. This commitment creates an inclusive, inviting learning community characterized by kindness and respect, and supports the academic and personal excellence for every student.

**Features & Achievements**

- Hands-on STEM-based learning in library and science class
- Partnership with the Connecticut Science Center
- Arts integration through Hartford Performs
- Small class sizes
- Little Kids Rock, chorus and band are part of the unified arts curriculum

**Clubs & Activities**

Book club, STEM Enrichment, Full band, Chorus, Bucket drumming, Dance, Drill teams, Reader’s Writer’s Workshop

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**Before & After Care**

Before and after care are available through the YMCA. Fees may vary.

**Placement Priorities**

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Betances Learning Lab Magnet School as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Hartford Residential Zone 4
- Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood
- Applying as a PK4 student from a pathway school: Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: North Campus, Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: South Campus, and Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School (Hartford residents only)

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**Continuing the magnet experience!**

Betances Learning Lab Magnet School 4th grade students have a direct pathway to 5th grade at Betances STEM Magnet School. To be eligible for this pathway, applicants must submit an on-time RSCO application with Betances STEM Magnet School as their first choice.

**Social Media**

- @BetancesOwls
- @BetancesOWLS
About Us

Motto: Building students of outstanding character one BRICK at a time!

Breakthrough North is an award-winning elementary magnet school, recognized by Magnet Schools of America as a Merit School of Excellence in 2019, 2020, and 2021. On top of strong academics, Breakthrough North focuses on developing students as models of outstanding character through the school’s unique character education theme. Small classes maximize one-on-one attention and individualized instruction, educating the whole child to prepare students for success in middle school, high school, and beyond as citizens and contributing members of society. The curriculum integrates a significant STEAM-focus (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) to engage students in Next Generation Science Standards and ready them for 21st century challenges. Students use technology daily in the classroom with one-to-one student-to-device ratios.

Breakthrough North provides students with service and learning opportunities through our community partnerships with the Hartford Garden Advisory, the Joan Dauber Food Bank, the Bushnell, Hartford Performs, the Hartford, Hands on Hartford, YMCA, Junior Achievement, Keney Park Sustainability Project, and Salmon River Project. We have a school garden where students learn about plants/vegetables, composting, harvesting crops, and working collaboratively to prepare healthy meals.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Breakthrough Magnet School, North as their first-choice school selection.

• Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
• Applying as Sibling (for preschool)
• Lives in Hartford Residential Zone 1
• Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood
• Applying as a PK4 student from a pathway school: Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: North Campus, Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: South Campus

Features & Achievements

• New facility designed with character theme in mind.
• Multipurpose room with a rock-climbing wall, enclosed playscape, daily dining in the classrooms, an outdoor classroom space, and school garden!
• The school community gathers in a beautifully renovated auditorium for weekly community meetings where students and classes have the opportunity to showcase learning aligned with our character theme.
• Weekly community meetings, courses for parents on our Character Curriculum, gardening and cooking, instrumental lessons, band and Steel Pan music programs, as well as unified sports.
• 3rd–5th graders have an opportunity to serve on our student council and engage in leadership opportunities.
• Parents can participate in PTO, SGC, community partnerships, and a second cup of coffee.

Before & After Care

Fees may vary.

Social Media:

@BreakthroughMagnetNorthCampus
@breakthrough_north

Continuing the magnet experience!

Students enrolled in 5th grade at Breakthrough Magnet School, North may receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:

• Classical Magnet School
• Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy
• Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: PK-8 Campus
• Sports and Medical Sciences Academy
About Us
A Magnet School of Excellence, Breakthrough Magnet School, South (Breakthrough South) is a global school for students who are ready to learn and build character! Breakthrough South focuses on developing students as models of outstanding character through the unique character education theme. Students learn the importance of integrity and have opportunities to engage in service to others, in our school, home, community and beyond. Strong academics prepare students for high school and college, and a rich selection of enrichment programming during the school day builds on students’ talents, interests, and learning styles. The curriculum integrates a significant STEM focus (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) to engage students in Next Generation Science Standards and ready them for 21st century challenges. Breakthrough South seeks to educate the whole child, including building academic knowledge and communication and social skills, for every student through small classes and one-on-one attention.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Breakthrough Magnet School, South as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Hartford Residential Zone 3
- Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood
- Applying as a PK4 student from a pathway school: Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: North Campus, Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: South Campus

Features & Achievements
- Spanish instruction starts in kindergarten
- Schoolwide Mindfulness & Restorative Practices
- Field trips
- Partnerships with Hartford Performs & Food Corps
- Magnet School of Excellence 2019, 2020; Magnet School of Distinction 2016, 2018; National School of Character 2017; #1 Magnet School in the USA 2015

Clubs & Activities
Grades K-8: Enrichment programs and clubs within the regular school day including robotics, gardening & cooking, student council
Grades 3-8: Morning running club
Grades 5-8: Instrumental lessons & band
Grades 6-8: Community service opportunities, rock band and chorus, overnight trips

Intramural Sports
Grades 6-8: Girls’ volleyball, boys’ soccer, co-ed basketball, cheerleading

Before & After Care
Fees may vary.

Continuing the magnet experience!
Students enrolled in 8th grade at Breakthrough Magnet School, South may receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:

- Connecticut IB Academy
- Great Path Academy at MCC
- Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: High School Campus
- Pathways Academy of Technology & Design
- Sports and Medical Sciences Academy
- University High School of Science and Engineering
About Us

Motto: Capital Preparatory Magnet School aspires to create a community of lifelong learners who will be assets to their community by working towards social justice.

Capital Preparatory Magnet School (Capital Prep) aspires to create a community of lifelong learners who will be assets to their community working toward social justice. Capital Prep is a year-round program, with a school year that begins in July and ends in May to maximize continuity of learning and educational development. For PK3 through 5th grade, Capital Prep integrates a gifted and talented curriculum into the learning experience to challenge elementary learners to develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills at an early age as a foundation to academic success in middle school, high school and beyond.

Through academic and social justice initiatives, Capital Prep students discover their passions and fulfill their social, academic and civic responsibilities by developing skills necessary to become agents of change. Students realize their immense potential with talented and engaging teachers and an energetic and diverse peer group.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Capital Preparatory Magnet School as their first-choice school selection.

• Applying as a Sibling
• Applying as Child of a School Staff Member
• Applying as Child of a Capital Community College Staff Member
• Lives in Hartford Residential Zone 2
• Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood
• Applying from a pathway school: Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: North Campus (PK4), Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: South Campus (PK4), Montessori Magnet at Fisher School (grade 8)

Features & Achievements

• NAEYC Accredited
• Offers Gifted & Talented curriculum in PK3–Grade 5 program
• Magnet Schools of America National Award of Merit Distinction 2016
• Capital Prep has six state championships in athletics
• Performing Arts partnership with Hartford Performs
• Offers students in the high school the opportunity to take college classes at nearby Capital Community College
• 100% of graduating seniors accepted into colleges and universities

Clubs & Activities

Enrichment clubs are available during the school day — quilting, baseball, soccer, yoga, Spanish, 50 States Hartford Performs provides elementary programming for grades PK-5

After Care

Fees may vary.

Go to page 79 to learn more about our middle/high school (6–12) grade levels.
**About Us**

Discovery Academy challenges students with high-quality, hands-on learning experiences centered around the STEM theme to develop lifelong learners, encourage exploration, and inspire a deep understanding of the world. Along with traditional core subjects, students develop an extraordinary foundational knowledge in the four parts of STEM literacy—science, technology, engineering, and mathematics—and develop the skills to conduct investigations, gather and use information, and solve problems using scientific methods of thinking and technology as tools. Working with community partners, students engage in additional science experiences and field studies that deepen the connection to the school theme and the real world. Students become critical thinkers and strong problem solvers equipped with the skills necessary for middle school, high school and beyond.

Every week, students attend a unique Design Lab class specializing in coding, robotics, and engineering the design process. On the school’s campus, nature trails, planting beds, rooftop garden areas, and a butterfly garden bring learning to life! The school offers extended learning opportunities through the Invention Convention, UConn Engineering Ambassadors, and connections with STEM professionals.

**Placement Priorities**

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select **Discovery Academy** as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Wethersfield

**Features & Achievements**

- Three-time Magnet Schools of America Merit School of Distinction Excellence in Elementary School Science Teaching Award
- Top CREC and CT writing awards for multiple years
- State finalists in CT Invention Convention
- STEM Achievement Award
- Human Rights CEA Award

**Clubs & Activities**

STEM Night, Literacy Night, student/staff basketball, Invention Convention, Career Day, and Taste of Discovery

**Before & After Care**

Before school care fee: $126.20 per month. After school care fee: $243.40 per month. Fees may vary based on program hours.

**Continuing the magnet experience!**

Discovery **5th grade students have a direct pathway to 6th grade** at Academy of Science and Innovation 6 to 12. To be eligible for this pathway, applicants must submit an on-time RSCO application with Academy of Science and Innovation as their first choice.

Grade 5 students enrolled in Discovery Academy may also receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:

- Academy of Aerospace & Engineering
- Academy of Computer Science & Engineering Middle
- Academy of International Studies
- Ana Grace Academy of the Arts
About Us
Dwight Bellizzi is excited to welcome PK4 and kindergarten students to our Dual Language program as a brand-new magnet school! Our school is the only interdistrict magnet school in the Greater Hartford Region that offers students an incredible learning opportunity to receive both English and Spanish instruction in their academic classes.

We are proud to offer a Dual Language program in our school. All students in the Dual Language program strand will learn to read in Spanish and English with the goal of biliteracy in two languages by the end of 8th grade. The Dual Language program is a 50/50 program model, core academic instruction is taught 50% in Spanish and 50% in English. Kindergarten students have two teachers, one Spanish language teacher instructing for half the day and one English language teacher instructing for the other half of the day.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Dwight-Bellizzi Dual Language Academy as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Hartford Residential Zone 4
- Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood
- Applying as a PK4 student from a pathway school: Hartford Prekindergarten Magnet School: North Campus, Hartford Prekindergarten Magnet School: South Campus

Clubs & Activities
Boys and Girls Club after school program (grades K-8)

After Care
Fees may vary.

Social Media
@DwightBellizzi

“From the very first moment I enrolled my sons in the Academy, the staff has treated us like a part of their family. Every teacher pays close attention to the individual needs of their students. . .”
— Parent

“I believe that all children are capable of being successful students and are willing to give you as much effort as you give to them. My most important job as a teacher is to help my students develop a love of learning so that they want to work hard and they want to succeed. We encourage [students] to rise above it to be the best they can be.”
— Teacher
About Us
A Magnet School of Excellence, Environmental Sciences Magnet School at Mary Hooker (ESM) embraces 21st century learning through advanced technology, minds-on problem solving, and theme-based instruction focused on environmental sciences to challenge students and prepare them for high school and beyond. ESM provides a rigorous curriculum in all core subject areas and infuses the environmental sciences theme across the various disciplines to fuel students' passions and deepen their ability to investigate, explore, problem-solve and engage in critical thinking. The award-winning program provides a rich elementary and middle school experience that prepares students to excel in all subject areas.

The building and campus provide many different ecosystems and labs that bring learning to life! Students work with a resident marine scientist and horticulturist, exploring local living organisms from plants to butterflies. Using the new, state-of-the-art building and campus, students monitor, test and collect data throughout the year, noting human impacts on our environment.

Service learning projects provide hands-on field experiences, and are linked to our environmental sciences theme and community-based partnerships. Students work side by side with CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), Trinity College, the Farmington Watershed Council, and other community organizations. These opportunities connect learning to the real world and inspire civic-mindedness.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Environmental Sciences Magnet at Hooker School as their first-choice school selection.
- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Hartford Residential Zone 3
- Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood
- Applying as a PK4 student from a pathway school: Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: North Campus, Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: South Campus, and Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School (Hartford residents only)

Features & Achievements
- Lego™ Engineering Lab
- A 1500-square-foot vivarium to explore natural history and plant, soil, and animal biology
- Indoor aquatics lab and Eco-Pond, interactive science theatre, community garden, and nature trail

Clubs & Activities
Weekly enrichment groups that meet for 8 weeks, community service, cross-country, photography, environmental action team, forensics, journalism, robotics club

Before & After Care
Fees may vary.

Students enrolled in 8th grade at Environmental Sciences Magnet at Mary Hooker School may receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:
- Great Path Academy at MCC
- Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: High School Campus
- Pathways Academy of Technology and Design
- University High School of Science and Engineering
About Us
Glastonbury-East Hartford Magnet School (GEHMS) inspires students to lead their learning through exploring, questioning, and sharing ideas. GEHMS challenges students through an enriching core curriculum, infusing the STEM theme across all subjects to prepare students for the demands of the 21st century technological world. Students learn to think beyond their immediate environment through hands-on learning and unique educational opportunities, such as studying Mandarin Chinese beginning in prekindergarten. The GEHMS Science Lab and Planetarium provide an incredible “hands-on” learning environment for young children that builds upon their natural curiosity and brings learning to life!

Outdoor field studies are an important part of the GEHMS science curriculum as students work as scientists to answer questions about the world around them. Students investigate life and seasonal changes in their schoolyard, local pond, river, and ocean environments, and learn to investigate, gather information, and use critical thinking to drive their problem-solving. The school’s planetarium will immerse your child in stunning visualizations in a unique learning environment. Partnerships with Hamilton Sunstrand, Connecticut Invention Convention, New England Air Museum, and the National Sea Grant Program enhance the curriculum, and encourage students to explore the world around them, the universe, and beyond.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Glastonbury/East Hartford Magnet School as their first-choice school selection.
- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying as a PK4 student from a direct pathway school: CREC Preschool at Progress Drive, Glastonbury East Hartford Pathway
- Applying as a PK4 student from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School (Hartford residents only)

Features & Achievements
- Hands-on learning experiences to explore science, global studies, and technology
- Mandarin Chinese language study
- Community partners to enhance the curriculum
- State finalists in Invention Convention, Audubon Society Grant Recipient 2019, Kid Governor finalist, Green Leaf School

Clubs & Activities
STEM night, Literacy night, Invention Convention, Kids Lit Quiz, Kid Governor Changemakers, Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA)

Before & After Care
Before school care fee: $126.20 per month. After school care fee $243.40 per month. Fees may vary based on program hours.

Continuing the magnet experience!
Students enrolled in 5th grade at Glastonbury/East Hartford Magnet School may receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:
- Academy of Aerospace and Engineering
- Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle School
- Academy of International Studies
- Academy of Science and Innovation
- Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School
About Us
Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts offers a prekindergarten through Grade 12 continuum education opportunity with a direct pathway from the prekindergarten to grade 8 arts-themed program into the grade 9 to 12 high school through the RSCO application. Kinsella is not just a school — it's a feeling! When walking through our school or attending one of our many performances, it is clear that the “feeling” is special. The performing arts theme makes academic content relevant and pertinent in the lives of our students.

Our staff is ready and willing to provide all the facilities and opportunities for your child’s creative educational and performing arts growth. Students have the opportunity to play a musical instrument, create through stagecraft, and experiment with drama, dance and movement. These learning experiences encourage problem solving, critical-thinking skills, individual learning, and empower students to arrive at conclusions independently.

Creativity begins at Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts, where our students create because they love it and share it to bring joy to the entire community. Let Kinsella Magnet School be the vehicle making all of the arts relevant, pertinent, and fun for your child. The arts are a medium of exploration and inquiry and provide opportunities for learning, communication and creative expression.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: PK–Grade 8 Campus as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in a Hartford Residential Neighborhood
- Lives in a Hartford Residential Zone 4

Features & Achievements
Awarded as a School of Excellence and Distinction by Magnet Schools of America

Clubs & Activities
Students may participate in school enrichment activities such as sewing, drama, vocal dance and theater.

Before & After Care
Fees may vary.

Continuing the magnet experience!
Kinsella 8th grade students have a direct pathway to 9th grade at Kinsella Magnet School’s 9-12 campus. To be eligible for this pathway, applicants must submit an on-time RSCO application with Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: 9-12 Campus as their first choice.
About Us
Montessori Magnet at Batchelder School is Connecticut's largest Public Montessori School. Our students emerge as independent, confident, compassionate, responsible participants and leaders of society. Montessori follows the highly successful educational methods of Dr. Maria Montessori. Classrooms are mixed-age groups serving specific developmental stages. Our state and Montessori certified educators guide students to learn at their own pace, exploring and discovering based on their interests through hands-on work.

Montessori classrooms are peaceful, happy places designed to meet the developmental needs of each child in every stage of life. Communities of children support one another socially, emotionally and academically. Students enjoy integrated art, music and physical education as a part of each child's daily routine. Additional arts experiences are provided in partnership with Hartford Performs

PK3, half day programming, start dates are available from mid-to-late September, depending on readiness and allowing for individualized support as students transition to school.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Montessori Magnet at Batchelder School as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Hartford Residential Zone 3
- Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood
- Applying as PK4 student from a pathway school: Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: North Campus; Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: South Campus

Before & After Care
Before school care fee: $85 per month.
After school care fee: $95 per month.
Fees may vary based the number of siblings and program hours.

Social Media
- Montessori Magnet@Batchelder
- Montessori Magnet at Batchelder
- @Montessorimagnet-batchelder
- Montessori Magnet at Batchelder School

Continuing the magnet experience!
Students enrolled in 6th grade at Montessori Magnet at Batchelder School may receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:

- Classical Magnet School
- Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy
- Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: PK-8 Campus
- Montessori Magnet at Fisher School
About Us
Montessori Magnet at Fisher School is a PK3 to grade 8 school that celebrates that every child learns differently, and through experimental hands-on work, children have the ability to develop concentration, motivation, persistence, and discipline. The strong curriculum and enriching learning environment were recognized as a Magnet School of Excellence in 2020 and the highest level of recognition by the Association Montessori International.

Montessori materials encourage exploration of five major areas: Practical Life, Sensorial Experience, Math, Language and Culture. Students learn in multi-age classrooms where children at various stages of development learn from and with each other. The goal of a Montessori education is to graduate students with a vision of what the world can be, and the resources to lead and accomplish that mission.

A child’s inherent love of learning is encouraged through opportunities to engage in spontaneous, meaningful activities. Students work collaboratively in small groups throughout the day on interdisciplinary projects. Indoor and outdoor learning settings for all levels of Montessori education create an ideal educational environment.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Montessori Magnet at Fisher School as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Hartford Residential Zone 1
- Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood
- Applying from a pathway school: Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: North Campus (PK4); Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: South Campus (PK4); Montessori Magnet at Batchelder School (grade 6); Montessori Magnet School (CREC) (grade 5 & grade 6)

Features & Achievements
- Grade 7 and 8 students are in the Erdkinder program and work, learn and grow at the Annie Fisher school location and the AuerFarm site in Bloomfield
- Indoor/outdoor learning

Before & After Care
Fees may vary.

Social Media
@AFMontessori

Continuing the magnet experience!
Students enrolled in 8th grade at Montessori Magnet at Fisher School may receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:

- Capital Preparatory Magnet School
- Classical Magnet School
- Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: High School Campus
- Sports and Medical Sciences Academy
- University High School of Science and Engineering
About Us

Montessori Magnet School’s unique approach to learning pairs individual challenge with nurturing support. Each classroom has a unique spirit, but all classes are grounded in the belief that students thrive in intentional spaces with materials that ignite a passion to learn. Hands-on learning connects challenging concepts and promotes curiosity and lifelong learners. Montessori Magnet School fosters a supportive and inclusive community, and uses the Montessori student-centered approach to empower students to learn with and from each other, embrace diversity, and develop life-long habits of confidence, persistence, and critical thinking. Montessori students are prepared for the challenges of middle school and high school academics and have the confidence to tackle the most advanced and rigorous educational programs.

A Montessori education fosters curiosity and a passion for learning! The five essential Montessori practices provide the foundation for the learning environment and student success. These practices include:

1. mixed-age grouping, which fosters independence, cooperation, and discovery;
2. large blocks of uninterrupted time for self-directed work;
3. an environment that allows for maximum freedom of movement and choice;
4. an overall emphasis on intrinsic motivation rather than rewards or punishments; and
5. prepared staff who are skilled at observation, preparing an environment, and interacting with children in positive, respectful ways.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Montessori Magnet School (CREC) as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood

Features & Achievements

- Spacious, vibrant classroom environments that allow children to work independently and collaboratively
- Large blocks of uninterrupted time allow students to engage in hands-on, self-directed activities that build concentration, coordination, and independence.
- Partnerships with local farms & community organizations
- History Day Regional Winner 2019
- 2nd Place National Winners History Day
- Recognition from Association Montessori Internationale as the first public Montessori school in CT

Clubs & Activities

Invention Convention, History Day, Girl Scouts

Before & After Care

Before School Care: $126.20 per month (available for grades PK3 to grade 6). After School Care: $243.40 per month (available for grades PK4 to 6). Fees may vary based on program hours.

Continuing the magnet experience!

Students enrolled in 5th or 6th grade at Montessori Magnet School (CREC) may receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:

- Academy of Aerospace and Engineering
- Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle School
- Academy of Science and Innovation
- Academy of International Studies
- Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School
- Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy
- Montessori Magnet at Fisher School
About us
Museum Academy provides a comprehensive and challenging museum-inspired learning environment for students in prekindergarten through grade 5 that supports exploration and discovery, encourages creative expression, and fosters interactions between peers. By nurturing creativity and innovation, Museum Academy creates a supportive learning environment where every child is a masterpiece!

Classroom and school-wide projects transform the school into a living museum. Students act as guides during triannual exhibits and create artifacts that demonstrate and enhance their knowledge and understanding of content. Teachers and students participate in Visual Thinking Strategies, a museum method of observation and dialogue around formal pieces of art that develops higher-level language and thinking skills.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Museum Academy as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member

Features & Achievements
- Arts-integrated core curriculum
- A series of Exhibition Nights where students become teachers and present their learning
- Partnerships with museums
- Magnet Schools of America Merit School of Distinction, May 2016
- Magnet Schools of America Presidents Award, 2015
- Magnet Schools of America Merit School of Excellence, April 2015 Program Award

Clubs & Activities
Museum Academy emphasizes extracurricular experiences through in-class activities and Whisker’s Workshop Clubs. Museum Academy regards the development and implementation of extracurricular activities and clubs as a positive and meaningful contribution to lives of our students. Students in PK through 1st grade participate in a classroom based activity led by their classroom teacher or support staff. Students in grades 2–5 may participate in the following workshops once a week, during the school day:

- Grades 2–3: Fitness
- Grades 2–4: Field Games
- Grades 2–5: Invention Convention, Running Club, Yoga, Scrap Booking and Card Making, GSA Kids Empowering Kids, Cheer Squad
- Grades 4–5: Fitness, Ball Drumming, Photography, Garage Band, Improv, Cooking, Safety Patrol

Before & After Care
Before school care fee: $126.20 per month.
After school care fee: $243.40 per month.
Fees may vary based on program hours.

Continuing the magnet experience!
Students enrolled in 5th grade at Museum Academy may receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:

- Academy of Aerospace and Engineering
- Academy of Computer Science and Engineering
- Academy of International Studies
- Academy of Science and Innovation
- Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School
About Us
Reggio Magnet School of the Arts empowers students to learn through exploration and discovery in an environment that ignites creativity and fosters collaboration. Recognized as a Magnet School of Excellence, Reggio embraces the Reggio Emilia theme to encourage students to control the direction of their learning and their day-to-day activities.

An arts-integrated, project-based education develops reading, math, and science skills. Students experience learning in a variety of ways that inspire high levels of creativity, critical thinking, and collaborative problem solving. Photographs, artwork, and stories decorate the classrooms displaying the student progress and creativity. The Reggio approach also invites parental support and input in shaping the school community. Parents are viewed as the child’s “first teacher,” and family experiences are shared and celebrated in the classroom.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Reggio Magnet School of the Arts as their first-choice school selection.
- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member

Features & Achievements
- Fosters student learning through exploration and discovery
- Integrates the arts into all learning
- Offers world language for all students
- 2020 “Magnet School of Excellence” by Magnet Schools of America
- 2019 “Magnet School of Excellence” by Magnet Schools of America
- 2011–2018 “Magnet School of Distinction” by Magnet Schools of America
- Featured in research studies and publications by Harvard University, Columbia University, Leslie University, etc.
- State finalists in CT Invention Convention

Before & After Care
Before school care fee: $126.20 per month. After school care fee: $243.40 per month. Fees may vary based on program hours.

Continuing the magnet experience!
Students enrolled in 5th grade at Reggio Magnet School of the Arts may receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:
- Academy of Aerospace and Engineering
- Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle School
- Academy of International Studies
- Academy of Science and Innovation
- Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School

“Inspired by the Italian Reggio Emilia philosophy, the curriculum is designed to respect a child’s point of view and encourage students to control the direction of their learning. Talented educators pair high challenge with loving support as they guide students through individualized academic programs.”
- Josephine Di Pietro Smith, Principal
**About Us**

**Motto:** As scholars of Riverside Magnet School (RMS) at Goodwin University, we choose to create a caring and positive learning community by taking care of ourselves, each other, and the environment.

Riverside Magnet School (RMS) offers their diverse scholars hands-on, project-based learning opportunities that focus on building content knowledge, as well as literacy, numeracy, and social-emotional skills. Through the Reggio Emilia self-guided approach to learning, students develop into confident, curious and independent learners who understand the importance of asking questions and forming their own opinions. At RMS, students engage in an educational journey without limits to inspire a life-long love of learning! RMS is an inclusive magnet school proud to offer parents access to learning resources and culturally safe spaces allowing for meaningful connections with other families.

**Placement Priorities**

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Riverside Magnet School at Goodwin University as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of the Goodwin University Staff Member
- Applying as a Child of a Goodwin University Student
- Applying as a PK4 Hartford resident from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School

**Features & Achievements**

- Full-day NAEYC accredited PK
- Orchestra for students in Grades 3–5
- Partnership with MOVIA Robotics
- Partnership with Literacy How

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**Before & After Care**

**Before school care:**
Monday–Friday, 7:00 to 8:20 a.m.
Fee: $150 per month

**After school care:**
Monday–Friday, 3:55 to 5:45 p.m.
Fee $250 per month

**Social Media**

- [@RiversideRMS](https://twitter.com/RiversideRMS)
- [@riversidemagnetschool](https://facebook.com/riversidemagnetschool)
- [Riversidemagnetschool](https://instagram.com/Riversidemagnetschool)

**Continuing the magnet experience!**

Riverside Magnet School at Goodwin University 5th grade students have a direct pathway to 6th grade at Connecticut River Academy at Goodwin University. To be eligible for this pathway, applicants must submit an on-time RSCO application with Connecticut River Academy at Goodwin University as their first choice.

“I didn’t know much about the Reggio Emilia approach before I toured RMS, but now I am so thankful that my children have been immersed in the Reggio culture. It fosters independence, self-guided learning, and self-reflection. This approach allows my children to learn the importance of asking questions and forming their own opinion. I am grateful that my children are receiving an excellent foundational education and learning to be inquisitive and innovative.”

— Laura, RMS Parent and Riverside Community Council Co-President.
Greater Hartford Region RSCO School Choice Family Guide

About Us
STEM Magnet at Annie Fisher School is a special learning community where students are valued, challenged, and supported. Our curriculum focuses on mathematics, the sciences, Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) Implementation, technology integration, inquiry, and problem-based learning through a comprehensive K-8 STEM program.

Our school community provides a collaborative, rigorous, and positive learning environment. In grades 6-8, students take Project Lead the Way's Gateway to Technology, a pre-engineering program that supports students interested in engineering to transition into high school and college engineering programs.

Our STEM+ program courses such as beginner Lego, Leo Wedo Robotics, Lego Mania, CPEP, Math Challenges, Student Governments, Leadership, Odyssey of the Mind, Solar Systems, Human Body, and more, enhance the learning experience and ignite students' passions to investigate, explore, problem-solve, and think critically.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select STEM Magnet at Annie Fisher School as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Hartford Residential Zone 1
- Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood
- Applying as a PK4 student from a pathway school: Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: North Campus; Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: South Campus

Features & Achievements
- Engaging STEM-related field trips
- STEM-oriented 8th Grade Capstone Project
- Accelerated math course offerings for grades 6–8
- Extensive use of technology including lap-top computers, engineering software, CAD, iPods, iPads, Google Sketch-up, Dimension 3D printer, and electronic presentations in all classes
- A science exploratory curriculum with exposure to engineering connections

Clubs & Activities
STEM EXPO for grades K-2, 5-8; Invention Convention in grades 3–4; Boys/Girls basketball

Before & After Care
Fees may vary.

Continuing the magnet experience!
STEM Magnet at Annie Fisher School 8th grade students have a direct pathway to 9th grade at University High School of Science and Engineering. To be eligible for this pathway, applicants must submit an on-time RSCO application with University High School of Science and Engineering as their first choice.

Grade 8 students enrolled in STEM Magnet at Annie Fisher may also receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:

- Great Path Academy at MCC
- Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: High School Campus
- Pathways Academy of Technology and Design

8:40 a.m. to 3:50 p.m. Vera.Santos@hartfordschools.org 860-695-3500 sites.google.com/hartfordschools.org/annie-fisher-stem

280 Plainfield Street, Hartford, CT 06112

K to Grade 8
About Us
University of Hartford Magnet School is a diverse learning community that seeks to develop each child’s full potential. The school boasts a unique curriculum inspired by Dr. Howard Gardner’s Theory of Multiple Intelligences. This approach encourages students to explore their learning through the eight intelligences: bodily-kinesthetic; interpersonal; intrapersonal; linguistic; logical-mathematical; musical; naturalistic; and visual-spatial. Students become active participants in their learning by becoming aware of how they learn best and using this awareness to set goals and achieve them. Carefully crafted lessons maximize each student’s potential and celebrates differences in how people learn. In partnership with the University of Hartford, students have access to enhanced college-sponsored learning opportunities in reading, science, music, and the arts, as well as a mentorship program with student-athletes.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select University of Hartford Magnet School as their first-choice school selection.
- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood
- Applying as a PK4 student from a direct pathway school: CREC Preschool at Progress Drive, University of Hartford Pathway

Features & Achievements
- Close partnership with University of Hartford School of Education and HARTT School Outdoor Classrooms
- Family Wellness Center with licensed clinic and parent support program
- 2018 National Blue Ribbon School
- NAEYC-accredited PK program
- CT Green Leaf School

Clubs & Activities
Friday Family Meeting
During the school day: Student Leadership Team, Participation in Kid Governor, Instrumental Lessons, Pride Club
Afterschool: Band & Strings Program, taught by University of Hartford music education students, Dance Program taught by University of Hartford dance students

Before & After Care
Before school care fee: $126.20 per month. After school care fee: $243.40 per month. Fee may vary based on program hours.

Continuing the magnet experience!
Students enrolled in 5th Grade at the University of Hartford Magnet School may receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools
- Academy of Aerospace and Engineering
- Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle
- Academy of International Studies
- Academy of Science and Innovation
- Ana Grace Academy of the Arts
About Us
Webster MicroSociety Magnet School, a School of Distinction by Magnet Schools of America, is a community of active learners who are accepted and safe to learn and flourish in a microsociety of the real world. We embrace the MicroSociety theme and pride ourselves in its integration of mathematics, writing, science, and social studies. As part of our MicroSociety model, we also work with our students to ensure that we meet the Webster Way of taking care of ourselves, each other, and our place.

Our teachers work to create voice and choice in our classrooms to help create relevance for the work in school as it connects to the larger society. Students are employed in ventures where each classroom is a small business, and with teacher support, create the model, develop the business elements, work to earn money, then share their products with other students. Student government that is active in decision-making and plans schoolwide events.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Webster MicroSociety Magnet School as their first-choice school selection.

• Applying as a Sibling
• Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
• Lives in Hartford Residential Zone 1
• Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood
• Applying as a PK4 student from a pathway school: Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: North Campus; Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School: South Campus

Features & Achievements
• Instrumental music, chorus, performing and visual arts programs with local artists
• Unified Arts classes include music, art, physical education, media sciences, and science
• Mandarin Chinese for students starting in preschool

• Reading tutors for students in grade K–3 to ensure reading readiness
• Magnet Schools of America School of Distinction 2020
• MicroSociety Four-Star Award 2019

Clubs & Activities
Instrumental music and vocal music; Afterschool programs: art and yoga for lower elementary grades

Sports & Athletics
Interscholastic middle school boys basketball & girls volleyball, grades 4–8; Intramural: basketball (grades 4 & 5), dodgeball (grades 7 & 8), volleyball (grades 7 & 8) and cheerleading (grades K–5).

Before & After Care
Before & after care is available through the YMCA (Wilson Gray). Options vary by partial (3 days) or full week (5 days). After school care available on half days. Financial assistance available. Contact the school for more information.

Social Media

Continuing the magnet experience!
Students enrolled in 8th grade at Webster MicroSociety Magnet School may receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:

• Classical Magnet School
• Great Path Academy at MCC
• Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: High School Campus
• Pathways Academy of Technology & Design
• Sports and Medical Sciences Academy
• University High School of Science and Engineering
Middle Schools

Find Your Middle Magnet School

East Hartford
- Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle School

Hartford
- Betances STEM Magnet School

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About Us
Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle School will start your child on a path to success for middle school, high school, and beyond in one of the most high demand themes in college and the workplace. Through a direct pathway with Academy of Computer Science and Engineering High School, students can continue to challenge themselves in cutting-edge, technology-based classes as a follow-on to middle school and gain a competitive edge in college applications! A School of Excellence by Magnet Schools of America and a Green Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education, Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle will continue to lead the way for student success through hands-on, project-based learning that aligns with the 21st century technological world. Partnerships with Amazon and Marketspace ready students for the real-world! We are the only middle school in Connecticut that is an Amazon Future Engineers school.

Academy of Computer Science & Engineering is committed to integrating coding into the curriculum while developing the characteristics of our students as innovators, problem-solvers, and critical thinkers. As students delve into coding and design, they will enhance skills to be applied to website, application, and game development. Students will engage in engineering practices like computational thinking and designing solutions to become producers and problem solvers in the field of computing technology. Students also gain exposure to a wealth of opportunities and careers in the computer science and engineering industry.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle School as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying from a pathway school: Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary School; Academy of International Studies Elementary School; Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School (grade 5); Discovery Academy; Glastonbury-East Hartford Magnet School; Montessori Magnet School, CREC (grade 5 & grade 6); Museum Academy; Reggio Magnet School of the Arts; University of Hartford Magnet School

Features & Achievements
Amazon Future Engineer School; Makerspace; Project-based learning; Specially trained teachers for science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics studies; Students discover the ‘how’ and ‘why’ behind the creative processes; High School Academy programs offer opportunities to participate in internships, job shadowing, career fairs, field trips, and extracurricular activities; Frequent parent communication through habits of mind progress reports sent home every three weeks, and mastery based learning

Clubs & Activities
Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA), Roblox, Latin dance, cheer, step, art club, hydroponics, cooking club, walking club, movie club, Diversi-tea Club, award winning drama club, cheerleading, 21st Century Afterschool club (grant funded academic and recreational programming 4 days week with free transportation). Clubs and activities may vary based on student interest.

Sports & Athletics
Soccer, cross country basketball, indoor and outdoor track volleyball, baseball, and softball

Continuing the magnet experience!
Academy of Computer Science & Engineering Middle School 8th grade students have a direct pathway to 9th grade at Academy of Computer Science & Engineering. To be eligible for this pathway, applicants must submit an on-time RSCO application with Academy of Computer Science & Engineering as their first choice.

Grade 8 students at Academy of Computer Science and Engineering may also receive a pathway priority when applying to the following schools:

- Academy of International Studies
- Academy of Science & Innovation
- Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts — Full Day
Betances STEM Magnet School
400 Wethersfield Avenue, Hartford, CT 06114

About Us
We are Betances STEM (B STEM) Magnet School, home of the Nerdy Birds! Our students, staff, and families are “Not Afraid to Be Smart,” and it shows! B-STEM is a 5th through 8th grade middle school that incorporates traditional core subjects with an advanced academic focus on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) to expose students to 21st century skills that enable them to be confident and effective problem-solvers and critical-thinkers.

As a STEM-themed school, STEM is incorporated into all classes and content areas to deepen the understanding of science and technology across disciplines. B-STEM students are leaders in the classroom who seamlessly connect challenging concepts to real-world ideas through hands-on, experiential learning, observation and analysis, investigation and scientific inquiry, mathematical calculation, and engineering design. At B-STEM, students are Safe, Positive, Respectful, and Ready to Learn.

Betances STEM has robust partnerships with the CT Science Center, Barnes and Noble, UConn Health Center and Nutmeg Big Brothers/Big Sisters to create connections for college and opportunities for internships and mentoring.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Betances STEM Magnet School as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Hartford Residential Zone 4
- Lives in Hartford Residential Neighborhood
- Applying as a 4th grade student from a direct pathway school: Betances Learning Lab Magnet School

Features & Achievements
- STEM Pilot Flight Simulators — students artificially recreate an aircraft’s flight for pilot training & design
- Engineering classes that offer students the opportunity to design and construct models in co-op groups
- Class virtual reality (CR) headsets and curriculum engage students in digitally immersive environments including dissection and virtual field trips
- STEM Plus classes, LEGO® robotics, and coding
- Students gain extensive laboratory experiences using contemporary technologies for scientific inquiry, mathematical calculation and engineering design
- All teachers are certified Level 1 Google Educators, ensuring that Google Apps for Education are embedded into daily instruction to maximize students’ experiences with technology
- All students have science class every day

Clubs & Activities
Dungeons and Dragons, steAm Art, graphic design, dissection, yearbook, student council, Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA)

Sports & Athletics
Track, flag football, soccer, basketball, cross country, volleyball

Before & After Care
After school care is available at the South End Boys and Girls Club. Fees may vary.

Social Media
@BSTEMhartford
@bstemmagnethartford

Continuing the magnet experience!
Betances STEM Magnet School 8th grade students have a direct pathway to 9th grade at Pathways Academy of Technology and Design. To be eligible for this pathway, applicants must submit an on-time RSCO application with Pathways Academy of Technology and Design as their first choice.
Middle-High Schools

Find Your Middle-High (6–12) Magnet School

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Academy of Aerospace and Engineering
1101 Kennedy Road, Windsor, CT 06095

About Us
Academy of Aerospace and Engineering readies middle and high school students for the evolving technological world and the challenges of college and the workplace by offering students the unique opportunity to explore 21st century subjects like aerospace, engineering, biomedicine, advanced mathematics, and computer science within the STEM-driven theme even before they get to college. Aerospace teaches students to love to learn by using a hands-on approach to learning that makes learning meaningful, accessible and exciting for students. Aerospace empowers all students to take ownership of their learning and think critically so they can develop the skills and confidence to succeed in the demanding and ever-changing global world.

Rigorous, high-quality program comes alive through mentoring programs with local engineers and medical companies, career symposiums with STEM companies, internship programs, and classroom instruction led by industry professionals. Aerospace also offers Advanced Placement and Early College Experience classes.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Academy of Aerospace and Engineering as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying from a direct pathway school: Academy of Aerospace & Engineering Elementary
- Applying from a pathway school: Academy of International Studies Elementary School; Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School (grade 5 & grade 8); Discovery Academy; Glastonbury-East Hartford Magnet School; Montessori Magnet School, CREC (grade 5 & grade 6); Museum Academy; Reggio Magnet School of the Arts; University of Hartford Magnet School

Features & Achievements
- Specialized courses in aeronautics, medicine, computer science, robotics, drone construction and more
- STEM concentrations in Aerospace Engineering, Design, Manufacturing & Maker Arts, Biological and Life Sciences, and Computer Science
- Advanced Placement & Early College Experience classes

Clubs & Activities

Sports & Athletics
Grades 6-8: cross country, soccer, volleyball (girls), basketball, indoor track, baseball, softball, track & field
Grades 9-12: cross country, soccer, volleyball (girls), football, basketball, indoor track, baseball, softball, track & field

“At Aerospace, we strive to create a school community that embodies our core values: We Expect Excellence, We Demand Equity, We Act with Courage, and We Embrace Collaboration.”
— Adam Johnson, Principal

7:30 a.m. to 2:25 p.m.  
aaemainoffice@crec.org 860-243-0857  
aaen.crecschools.org Yes
About Us

Academy of International Studies (International 6-12 School) is the only public school in Connecticut authorized to offer both the International Baccalaureate (IB) Middle Years Programme (grades 6-10) and Diploma Programme (grades 11-12). As an IB World School, International 6-12 School readies students for the rigors and challenges of college and affords them a competitive edge in applying to college and engaging in the global market. As part of this highly-respected program, students experience the world outside of the classroom and connect to peers around the world through extensive international travel options, foreign student exchanges, and hosting international visitors. Beyond the extraordinary academic benefits of the IB program, International 6-12 School empowers the school community with responsibility as internationally minded citizens to help create a better, equitable, and more peaceful world.

The IB curriculum challenges outstanding students to drive their own learning, think critically and solve complex problems to ready themselves for the demands of college and the global world. The IB programme is a highly respected college prep program that exceeds traditional academic boundaries and extends far beyond the classroom. Students learn to think broadly and beyond the boundaries of their communities to see themselves as members of a global society. The curriculum emphasizes cross-cultural awareness, knowledge of the global dynamic, state of the planet awareness, and understanding of the consequences of human choice. Beyond academics, students learn to act as leaders and agents of change for social justice, diversity, equity and inclusion.

Students study different subject areas designed to develop global citizens and life-long learners committed to serving their communities.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Academy of International Studies as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying from a direct pathway school: Academy of International Studies Elementary
- Applying from a pathway school: Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary; Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle (grade 8); Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School (grade 5 & grade 8); Discovery Academy; Glastonbury-East Hartford Magnet School; Montessori Magnet School, CREC (grade 5 & grade 6); Museum Academy; Reggio Magnet School of the Arts; University of Hartford Magnet School

Clubs & Activities

Student Leadership (peer mediators, mentors, tutors), Change Maker Challenge, student-led activities and clubs (school plays, panels, and Black History Month celebrations)

Sports & Athletics

Grades 6–8: cross country, soccer, volleyball (girls), golf, basketball, indoor track, baseball, softball, track & field

Grades 9–12: cross country, soccer, volleyball (girls), football, golf, basketball, indoor track, baseball, softball, track & field

Social Media

crec_internationaldragons
@InternationalDragons

“I have been a student at International since 6th grade. I’m currently a Senior. It has been a pleasure attending the school. I feel so prepared for my next life, in terms of college and life in general. They taught me what it looks like to persevere to achieve every goal in all aspects of life in school and outside of school. I will be attending Clark Atlanta University in Fall 2022 to major in Political Science which will prepare me for law school.”

— Madison, Student
**About Us**

**Motto:** An education where students are limited only by the height of their imagination!

Academy of Science and Innovation (Innovation) is a STEM-themed, hands-on learning environment recognized for its high-quality programming as a Magnet School of Distinction. Using science and technology, Innovation focuses on empowering the next generation of problem-solvers and change-makers. The dynamic and high-quality curriculum ignites a passion for learning, un-leashes talent, and inspires a culture of creativity to prepare students to become innovators, critical thinkers, and problem solvers. The STEM theme focuses on three 21st century technology areas — environmental engineering, biotechnology, and robotics & computer science — to ready students for the demands of college and the future technological world.

**Placement Priorities**

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Academy of Science and Innovation as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying from a direct pathway school: Discovery Academy
- Applying from a pathway school: Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary; Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle (Grade 8); Academy of International Studies Elementary; Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School (grade 5 & grade 8); Glastonbury-East Hartford Magnet School; Montessori Magnet School, CREC (grade 5 & grade 6); Museum Academy; Reggio Magnet School of the Arts; University of Hartford Magnet School

**Features & Achievements**

- World-class robotics program, ranked nationally and worldwide
- Real-world learning through community partnerships and internships with Microsoft, the Connecticut Science Center, Palmer Precisions, and the UConn Engineering Department
- Early College Experiences (ECE) offerings via UConn
- Eligible 9th-12th grade students can take select courses on CCSU’s campus & receive college credit
- Prepares students to succeed in the areas of scientific research, engineering, and computer science
- Boys’ High School Basketball Team Conference Champions three years in a row
- 2019–2020 CT Robotics State Champions (Freshman Team)
- 2019 Magnet School of Distinction

**Clubs & Activities**

Gaming club, cooking club, boys volleyball club, coding club, robotics, National Honor Society, jazz band, and more.

**Sports & Athletics**

Grades 6–8: cross country, soccer, basketball, indoor track, baseball, softball, track & field, volleyball (girls)

Grades 9–12: cross country, soccer, volleyball (girls), basketball, indoor track, baseball, softball, track & field

**Social Media**

@CRECInnovation
**About Us**

*Motto: The road to college begins at Capital Prep, proudly creating educational opportunities for all students.*

Capital Preparatory Magnet School (Capital Prep) aspires to create a community of lifelong learners who will be assets to their community working toward social justice. Capital Prep is a year-round program, with a school year that begins in July and ends in May to maximize continuity of learning and educational development. Through academic and social justice initiatives, Capital Prep students discover their passions and fulfill their social, academic and civic responsibilities by developing skills necessary to become agents of change. Students realize their immense potential with talented and engaging teachers and an energetic and diverse peer group.

**Placement Priorities**

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select **Capital Preparatory Magnet School** as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying as a Child of a Capital Community College Staff Member
- Applying from a pathway school: Montessori Magnet at Fisher School (grade 8)

**Features & Achievements**

- Offers students in the high school the opportunity to take college classes at nearby Capital Community College
- 100% of graduating seniors accepted into colleges and universities
- Performing Arts partnership with Hartford Performs
- Capital Prep has six state championships in athletics
- Magnet Schools of America National Award of Merit Distinction 2016
- 97.7% four-year graduate rate

**Clubs & Activities**

National Honor Society, Young Women Creating Change, Men’s Leadership Group, Gender & Sexuality Alliance, Student Government

**Sports & Athletics**

Football, baseball, girls soccer, girls volleyball, cheer, softball, boys and girls basketball, indoor track, outdoor track, lacrosse, golf, skiing and snowboarding

**After Care**

Fees may vary.
About Us

Motto: We learn not for school but for life.

Classical Magnet School prepares students for acceptance into competitive colleges and universities by focusing extensively on a classic liberal arts curriculum and project-based learning. The curriculum and educational delivery model teaches students to think independently and creatively, problem-solve, and communicate - skills that transfer to college and the real world and set Classical students apart. Through small class sizes, coached project learning, a liberal arts focus, and individualized attention, Classical students experience a private school educational environment in a public school setting.

Classical Magnet School is rooted in the Paideia philosophy of education, which believes that human beings are primarily defined by their capacity and desire for learning. Students master academics and demonstrate their ability to read and comprehend literature, write persuasively, think clearly, communicate effectively and solve problems. These skills will carry a child through a changing world more seamlessly than training for any particular career, and can be used in college and to explore any career interest later in life.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Classical Magnet School as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying from a pathway school: Breakthrough Magnet North (grade 5); Montessori Magnet at Batchelder (grade 6); Montessori Magnet at Fisher School (grade 8); Renzulli Gifted & Talented Academy (grade 8); Webster Micro Society Magnet School (grade 8)

Features & Achievements

Integrated electives include technology, art, theater and music

Clubs & Activities

Mock Trial Team, Theater — plays & musicals, Gaming Club, Chess Club, National Honor Society, Student Senate, Kaleidoscope Club (GSA)

Sports & Athletics:

Grades 6–8: basketball, cross country, flag football, soccer, softball, soccer, softball, track, volleyball
Grades 9–12: baseball, basketball, cross country, football, indoor track, outdoor track, soccer, softball, swimming
About Us
CTRA is a NEASC accredited, award-winning magnet school recognized for its high-quality and innovative programming by Magnet Schools of America with the Merit-Award of Excellence in 2021. As an Early College school, scholars prepare for the rigors and challenges of college through college-level and advanced classes. While enrolled at CTRA, students can earn more than 30 tuition-free credits, enabling students to enter college as sophomores. During junior and senior year, CTRA offers internships with high-tech companies and connects classroom work with the real world. CTRA offers 21st century subject pathways, including Innovative Technology and Creative Design in middle school, and Environmental Science and Early College in high school. Awareness, Diversity, and Action are the foundation of CTRA's core values and beliefs and shape the positive school environment. These values empower scholars to break down barriers while acquiring the competencies for future success within a transformative school system.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Connecticut River Academy as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying as a Child of a Goodwin University Staff Member
- Applying as a Child of a Goodwin University Student
- Applying from a direct pathway school: Riverside Magnet School at Goodwin University

Features & Achievements
- Accelerated courses available in English and math as freshmen
- Early college pathways beginning in sophomore year
- Advanced Placement (AP) classes grades 10 to 12, in humanities, sciences, and math
- Internships with high-tech corporations, providing real-world experience in advanced science and technology
- Grades 6–8: Focus on Innovative Technology and Creative Design preparing students for high school, college, and careers
- Grades 9–12: College pathways in Health, Business, Advanced Manufacturing, Computer Science and Liberal Arts
- Schoolwide commitment to restorative practices, and culturally relevant curriculum

Clubs & Activities
National Honor Society, Black Student Union, Student Activists, Green Team/Envirothon, GSA
Grades 6-8: Academic (math and literacy) enrichment, art, dance, a variety of recreational activities, such as Frisbee and flag football
Grades 9-12: Recreation activities such as basketball and volleyball; other activities based on student interests like rowing, flag football, soccer, and more

Social Media
@ctriveracademy
@connecticut_river_academy

Connecticut River Academy at Goodwin University
9 Riverside Drive, East Hartford, CT 06118
7:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. cttrainfo@ctriveracademy.org 860-913-2200 ctriveracademy.org Yes 18:1

Grades 6 to 12
About Us

Motto: We make the world our classroom.

At Global Experience Magnet School, the world — and all of its language and cultural diversity — is the classroom. Warmly referred to as “GEMS” by the school community, GEMS affords students a private school experience through uniquely small class sizes and a customized education to ensure every student reaches their maximum academic and social potential. Students have the opportunity to immerse themselves in different languages and travel the globe to connect the classroom to the world around them. GEMS begins college preparation as early as 6th grade to ready students to excel in college and the fast-paced, global economy. Students interested in traveling the world, an individualized and challenging curriculum, and personal attention — GEMS is the school for you!

GEMS seeks to empower students to create positive change in the world around them. From community volunteer days to partnering with Habitat for Humanity and other local, national and international charities and organizations, GEMS staff provides opportunities for students to explore their passions and make a difference.

Starting as early as 10th grade, students can earn up to 27 college credits, tuition-free Advanced classes, and access to diverse languages.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Global Experience Magnet School as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member

Features & Achievements

- Private school class size in a public school setting
- Small class size, approximately 15:1 student to teacher ratio, provides a challenging and customized education
- Unique instruction focused on developing each student as a responsible, civic-minded, global citizen
- Second language offerings in Mandarin Chinese, French, and Spanish
- At least one international travel experience to Asia, Africa, Central America, or Europe

Clubs & Activities

National Honor Society/National Junior Honor Society, GEMS Society (Honor Society), Student Government Association, Hiking/Ski Club, GSA (Gender Sexuality Alliance), Dungeons & Dragons (virtual cosplay), Social Activism Club, Chess Club, Yearbook Club, Environmental Club, Theatre Club,

Sports & Athletics

New sports and e-sports starting in Fall 2022. Check our website for updates!

“The reason I chose GEMS was because, one, it’s a small and diverse school, but also the staff here is very attentive to their students”

— Ja’Den, student
Greater Hartford Region RSCO School Choice Family Guide

Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy
53 Vernon Street, Hartford, CT 06103

About Us
Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy (HMTCA) is proud to offer an Early College program with a focus on the Arts and Sciences. HMTCA provides students with high-quality academics and a rich selection of courses and enrichment programs in music, theater, visual arts, dance, computer science, engineering, and advanced mathematics. By immersing students in a college-ready environment in high school, HMTCA readies students for the challenges of college and prepares them for a seamless transition to the demands of higher education. The school’s Team-Based Middle School model provides students with a rigorous academic program and a comprehensive array of related-arts classes including visual arts, performing arts, dance, band, orchestra, chorus and robotics to prepare students for high school while exploring their interests in arts and sciences.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying as a Child of a Trinity College Staff Member
- Applying from a pathway school: Breakthrough Magnet School, North (grade 5); Montessori Magnet School (CREC) (grade 5); Montessori Magnet at Batchelder (grade 6)

Clubs & Activities
Anime Club, Bee Keeping Club, Black Student Union, Botany Club, Chess Club, Debate Club, Drama Club, Everything in Between, Girl’s Club, Girls who code, JROTC, Mock Trial, Model UN, National Honor Society, National Jr. Honor Society, Pep Band, Video Game Club, Yearbook, Cheerleading

Sports & Athletics
Grades 6–8: soccer, swimming, volleyball (girls), cross country, outdoor track, basketball, baseball, softball
Grades 9–12: soccer, football, swimming, cross country, indoor & outdoor track, volleyball, rowing, basketball, cheerleading, baseball, softball, golf, tennis

HMTCA students love their school because, “they value [the] teachers who provide dynamic instruction and care, [the] friendly and inclusive student community, the variety of sports, music and theater programs, and having access to Trinity College.”
About Us
The Sport and Medical Sciences Academy (SMSA) engages students in grades 6 through 12 in exciting 21st century themes focused on Sport and Medical Sciences and gets them ready for college through an early college preparatory experience starting in the middle school. Recognized as a National School of Distinction by Magnet Schools of America and one of the “Best Schools in America” by US News & World Report, SMSA is an educational family where all staff members are invested in the academic success of all students.

Students receive a rigorous foundation in science, language arts, and mathematics, and teachers apply the theme with hands-on, experiential learning. SMSA embeds its four core beliefs — Dedication, Responsibility, Discipline and Respect — into each student’s educational experience to develop social consciousness and leadership skills as they learn and grow.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Sport and Medical Sciences Academy as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying from a pathway school: Breakthrough Magnet School, North (grade 5); Breakthrough Magnet School, South (grade 8); Montessori Magnet at Fisher School (grade 8); Webster Micro Society Magnet School (grade 8)

Features & Achievements
Students get a head-start on their college work by earning tuition-free college credits while still in high school through the College Board and UConn, giving students an edge in college applications and the start to college.

Learning takes place beyond the classroom through job shadowing and internships in the sports and medical sciences fields.

SMSA is located in a state-of-the-art facility, featuring 10 science labs, two gymnasiums and two fitness centers. Students participate in engaging experiential learning opportunities to supplement their academic experiences through UConn Medical and Dental Schools, UConn, CCSU, and ECSU.

Clubs & Activities
Chess Club, Black Student Union, Student Council, National Honor Society, Art & Guitar Club (Grades 6-9)

Sports & Athletics
Grades 6–8: volleyball, co-ed soccer, out-door track
Grades 9–12: Football (Varsity(V) & JV), indoor track (V), soccer (V), volleyball (girls) (V & JV), basketball (V, JV & freshmen), baseball (V), softball (V), cheerleading.

Social Media
@SmsaTigers
Sport and Medical Sciences Academy

“What’s special about SMSA is the community aspect; you have a purpose, and you are part of a family. You are accepted and welcomed into a great community that wants to help you grow into a successful person.”
— Elon, High School Student

“Since coming to SMSA, I have learned about different cultures and the diversity is great. You should keep an open mindset, try new opportunities because SMSA has a lot to offer.”
— Aidelyn, Middle School Student
High Schools

Find Your High School (9–12) Magnet School

East Hartford
- Connecticut IB Academy
- Pathways Academy of Technology and Design

Enfield
- Academy of Computer Science and Engineering

Hartford
- Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts High School — Full Day
- Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: High School Campus
- University High School of Science and Engineering

Manchester
- Great Path Academy at MCC

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About Us
Motto: Every day, we PERSIST: we Persevere; we Examine; we Read Critically; we Solve problems; we Investigate; we Serve, Share, and Succeed Together.

Academy of Computer Science and Engineering provides a unique early college environment that combines leadership with computer science and technology to create 21st century thinkers and inspire tomorrow’s leaders through academic excellence, service, and duty. Immersed in one of the highest demand themes of the 21st century, students engage in engineering practices like computational thinking and designing solutions to become producers and problem solvers in the field of computing technology. A culture of civic engagement and service adds to the school’s core emphasis to develop civic-minded leaders through fifty plus hours of community service from the school’s semi-annual Public Service Days. These hands-on experiences provide students the opportunity to make a positive impact in their community and build their skill set to meet the challenges of the 21st century. Academy of Computer Science & Engineering is committed to integrating coding into the curriculum while developing the characteristics of our students as leaders, innovators, problem-solvers, and critical thinkers. As students delve into coding and design they will enhance skills to be applied to website, application, and game development.

Students also gain exposure to a wealth of opportunities and careers in the computer science and engineering industry. The rigorous, college preparatory curriculum prepares students to attend the college of their choice, while specific training and education prepares students to meet the unique requirements of rewarding public service professions. Students have the opportunity to participate in service learning, job shadowing, and internship opportunities, earn up to 40 college credits through partnership with Asnuntuck Community College and UConn, and earn public safety certifications through the American Heart Association, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH).

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Academy of Computer Science and Engineering as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in Enfield Residential Neighborhood
- Applying from a direct pathway school: Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle
- Applying from a pathway school: Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School

Features & Achievements
Clubs & Activities
FoodEz, gaming, poetry, CT Center For Non-Violence, PRISM, weight training, culture club, LINK Crew, yearbook club, National Honor Society, Student Senate, and many more.

Sports & Athletics
Football, volleyball, girls soccer, boys soccer, co-ed cross country, girls basketball, boys basketball, co-ed indoor track, baseball, softball, co-ed track & field

Social Media
facebook.com/CRECEagles
About us

Motto: *Scire non satis est* (To Know is Not Enough)

The Connecticut IB Academy (CIBA) is an award-winning school, recognized as the #2 High School in Connecticut by U.S. News and World Report and awarded the Great Schools College Success Gold Award in 2022. CIBA offers highly rigorous, fast-paced, and challenging academic requirements above and beyond a traditional high school. As an authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) World School®, CIBA provides an internationally recognized educational model that focuses on depth, breadth and developing learners as independent, internationally minded thinkers and problem solvers. CIBA offers only IB honors-level classes that move at a fast pace and prepare students for competitive opportunities in college.

The IB programme is a highly respected college prep program that exceeds traditional academic boundaries and extends far beyond the classroom. Students learn to think broadly and beyond the boundaries of their communities to see themselves as members of a global society. Students have the opportunity to study with international students as well as participate in international field study and exchange programs. While the IB emphasizes international mindedness, it is not an international studies program, but rather a rich and rigorous academic program that encourages learners to connect their knowledge to the world around them.

The IB curriculum gives students a competitive advantage in applying to and succeeding in college, as many top universities recognize and actively recruit IB students. Students graduate from CIBA with the potential for advanced course standing in college, college course credit, scholarships, and other admissions-related benefits as part of application to college. All CIBA students apply to college/university as candidates for the prestigious IB diploma in addition to a high school diploma.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Connecticut IB Academy as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Lives in: Coventry, Ellington, Hartford, Manchester, Region 8 (Andover, Hebron, Marlborough), Tolland, Vernon
- Applying from a pathway school: Breakthrough Magnet, South; East Hartford Sunset Ridge Middle School

Clubs & Activities

Clubs and activities include: Yearbook Club, Peer Tutoring, National Honors Society (NHS), Student Advisory Board (SAB), Interact, Chinese Club, Human Rights Debate and Action, Gender Sexuality Alliance (GSA), Judo, Abelon, College Essay Club, National Chinese Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, Biomedical Club, CIBA for Social Justice, and Wellness Club. Students can also propose clubs for the following school year if they obtain a staff advisor and student interest.

Sports & Athletics

CIBA students participate in a wide array of competitive sports through East Hartford High School.

- Fall: football, soccer, swimming & diving (girls), volleyball (girls), cross country, cheerleading
- Winter: basketball, basketball, wrestling, swimming & diving (boys), indoor track, cheerleading
- Spring: baseball, softball, tennis, outdoor track, golf

“I am going to college overseas at Tsinghua University in China. Without a doubt, I can say that my four years at CIBA has taught me so much about myself and about how I can succeed in college. One thing that CIBA taught me was to be more organized and more prepared for unexpected deadlines for my college classes.”

— Celina Jiang, Class of 2017
About us
Great Path Academy, located on the campus of Manchester Community College, offers a middle college high school experience that fosters college-ready high school students by immersing them into the college community and affording access to college coursework and up to 30 tuition-free college credits. Great Path Academy's small class sizes provide an innovative learning environment that supports students from diverse backgrounds in developing the values, self-discipline, work habits, academic and life skills needed to achieve success in college and beyond. Students are well-prepared for the next step into higher education from the challenges and demands of Great Path Academy's college-level academics while still in high school.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Great Path Academy at MCC as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying as a Child of a Manchester Community College Staff Member
- Applying from a pathway school: Breakthrough Magnet School, South; Environmental Sciences Magnet at Hooker School; Renzulli Gifted & Talented Academy; STEM Magnet at Annie Fisher School; Webster MicroSociety Magnet School

Features & Achievements
- Science labs that provide students with various opportunities for innovate projects
- Varied and relevant electives – Computer Science, Baking, Culinary, Business Management, Ceramics/Sculpture, Graphic Arts, Band, Painting, Personal Finance, Piano, Video Production, Vocal Ensemble, Forensic Science, Genetics
- U.S. News & World Report Best High Schools, 2020
- Magnet School of Excellence, 2018
- U.S. News & World Report Best High Schools, 2017

Clubs & Activities
Theater, News & Photography, E-Sports, Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), Jazz Band, Ambassadors, GSA, Student Council, Art Club, Board Games, Film, Dance/Step

Social Media
- @greatpathacademy
- @great.path.academy
- @GreatPathMCC
- Gpa Music Dept

“We look forward to collaborating with you as we help your child strengthen their academic, social, and emotional skills so they can meet their full potential for college and career success.”

— Dr. Jessica Fitzgerald, Principal
About Us

*Motto: Academy is Family*

Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts High School — Full Day (Arts High) is an arts-focused magnet school, rated the “Best Magnet School” four years in a row in Hartford Magazine, Best of Hartford. By integrating traditional academics with an arts focus, students prepare for the rigor and challenges of college and professional life through a high-quality core curriculum while fueling their passions through their own artistic path — taught by seasoned and respected professional artists. Students learn in a unique educational environment equipped with film and recording studios, dance studios, music practice rooms, actor spaces, and dance studios to grow their artistic talents. Arts High values diversity of expression and fully supports students through personalized attention to ensure all students perform at the highest standards.

Throughout the school day, student learning infuses with professional artistic training. Students choose from a variety of specialized courses taught by professional artists, including music, dance, media production, creative writing, graphic design, and theater. Through the celebration and study of artists from all backgrounds, the design of the classes brings out the full creative voice of each student.

Students have the opportunity to present media projects and written works, as well as participate in exhibitions for graphic design and movement. The majority of graduates continue their artistic journeys in college and professional careers in the arts.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Greater Hartford Academy of Arts High School Full Day as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying from a direct pathway school: Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School; Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts High School—Half Day (grades 9, 10, 11)
- Applying from a pathway school: Academy of Computer Science and Engineering Middle School

Features & Achievements

- Arts-infused Project-Based Learning instructional model
- Pre-professional artistic training provided by professional artists
- Unique learning environment with film and recording studios, dance studios, music practice rooms, actor spaces, and dance studios
- Best of Hartford “Best Magnet School” four consecutive years
- Students have won Wallace Stevens Poetry Competition for eight consecutive years
- Faculty featured in Hartford Fringe Festival, Hartbeat Ensemble, and in local mural projects

Clubs & Activities

GSA Club, Student Voices (school government) Saturday Academy, BMales, CT Nonviolence

Social Media

@FDGHAA @ghaafullday
Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: High School Campus
415 Granby Street, Hartford, CT 06112

7:30 a.m. to 2:40 p.m.  
ken.obrien@hartfordschools.org  
860-695-4140  
www.kinsellamagnet.org  
Yes

About Us

Motto: Performances: Theatrical, Dance, and Vocal!

Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts offers a pre-kindergarten through Grade 12 visual and performing arts-themed continuum education with a direct pathway to the 9–12 high school from the prekindergarten grade 8 program. Kinsella is not just a school — it’s a feeling!

Comprehensive training, cultural exposure, and arts integration are three strategic pillars of the Kinsella approach. Comprehensive Training refers to the total and complete spectrum of performing arts instruction offered. Students actively learn and demonstrate the processes of creating, performing, and responding. Students are taught by certified drama, dance, production, stage craft, instrumental, and vocal arts educators!

Cultural exposure means Kinsella students attend a broad range of plays, dance, and music concerts. In addition to seeing productions outside of the building, visiting artists come to the school to work with students to deepen their perception, critical thinking, and decoding skills. Each cultural experience strengthens students’ abilities to comprehend visual, verbal, and physical communication.

The curriculum at Kinsella Magnet School is strongly integrated with the performing arts and aligns with national and state education standards. Students make relevant connections from text to life and emotionally invest in the learning process. Infused rigorous academic plans with performing art disciplines provide stimulating opportunities for students to retain the academic content and profoundly express their ideas.

The 9–12 program is located in a new, state-of-the-art facility with ultra-modern dance studios, a Black Box Theater, music rooms, and more. Students enjoy the opportunity for enhanced theme development, extended college and career options, and extensive community partnerships. Ninth grade students select a primary area of focus based on their talents and interests — dance, drama, production and design, or vocal — and can build a strong portfolio of experience to ensure their success in college and beyond!

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: High School Campus as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying from a direct pathway school: Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts: PK-Grade 8 Campus
- Applying from a pathway school: Breakthrough Magnet School, South; Environmental Sciences Magnet at Hooker School; STEM Magnet at Annie Fisher School; Webster Micro Society Magnet School

Achievements

Awarded as a School of Excellence and Distinction by Magnet Schools of America

Clubs & Activities

Students may participate in school enrichment activities such as sewing, drama, vocal, dance, and theater.

Sports & Athletics

Fall: soccer (boys), volleyball (girls), cross country, football, cheerleading; Winter: basketball, indoor track, cheerleading; Spring: softball, baseball, outdoor track, tennis

Social Media

@KinsellaMagnet
@kinsellamagnet
@KinsellaMagnet
Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts

“As a parent, Kinsella Magnet school for Performing Arts was one of the best decisions I have made for my son who is 22 now. He graduated in 2016 and Kinsella Magnet School is more than just the arts. It instilled confidence and fueled his imagination as well as having an open mind!” — Parent from Class of 2016
About Us
Pathways Academy of Technology and Design (Pathways), located in a new building on the Goodwin University campus in East Hartford and affiliated with the Academy of Information Technology (AOIT) for several years, prepares students for college and career opportunities in 21st century advanced technology, such as cutting-edge programming, database design, digital video production, networking, and web design. In order to ready students for the global marketplace, the school's career exploration features a 9th grade career fair, 10th grade job shadowing, 11th grade internships, and partnerships with local IT firms to apply learning to the real world.

Pathways students benefit from a unique, personalized college preparatory educational program where students learn in all their subject areas through creative projects that integrate advanced technology, including graphic design, digital video and media, programming, and robotics. Each student is equipped with a personal laptop computer and belongs to a small advisory group where a teacher gives them close attention and keeps families well informed. Through the unique curriculum and advisory program, Pathways offers a personalized learning experience that sets students up for success!

Students are able to earn dual-credit with a variety of our secondary education partners such as Capital Community College, Goodwin University, UConn, and more. Through strong business partners, Pathways offers students to develop real-world skills through paid internships and partnerships with local companies and organizations and professional mentoring and professional internships.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select **Pathways Academy of Technology and Design** as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying from a direct pathway school: Betances STEM Magnet
- Applying from a pathway school: Breakthrough Magnet School, South; Environmental Sciences Magnet at Hooker School; STEM Magnet at Annie Fisher School; Webster Micro Society Magnet School

Features & Achievements
SAT prep, Advance Placement (AP) courses

Clubs & Activities
Student Government, Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA), Athletic Club, Video Game Club, Dungeons and Dragons Club, Soccer Club, FIRST Robotics Program
About Us
University High School of Science and Engineering (UHSSE) is an early college high school on the campus of the University of Hartford with a focus on Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). At UHSSE we are a “Kettle” (community) of Hawks!

H – High expectations
A – Appreciation of diversity
W – Well-being
K – Knowledge and its applications
S – Safe environment

Students have the unique opportunity to have an on-campus college experience while in high school through UHSSE’s partnership with the University of Hartford. We provide a constructive, supportive academic environment and seek to bring out the best in each student by focusing on high academic achievement and setting no academic limits. UHSSE SAT scores consistently exceed the CT state averages.

Students can earn tuition-free college credits through UHSSE’s partnerships with the University of Hartford and the University of Connecticut. Qualified students gain college credit by enrolling in Advanced Placement (AP) and Early College Experience (ECE) courses. 100% of UHSSE graduates are accepted to college!

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select University High School of Science and Engineering as their first-choice school selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying as a Child of a University of Hartford Staff Member

Features & Achievements
- Accredited by New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC)
- Earn tuition-free college credits with University of Hartford and University of Connecticut courses.
- Rigorous theme-based honors curriculum
- Nation’s top magnet high school — Magnet Schools of America, 2012

Clubs & Activities
Students begin each morning with an activity period where they can join school and student sponsored clubs or get help from your teachers. Club offerings have included Math Team, Science Bowl, CrossFit, Student Council, National Honor Society, Game Club, Pride Club (GSA), Math Team or any club students would like to start!

Sports & Athletics
Fall: football (Varsity (V)/ JV), soccer (V), cross country (V), volleyball (girls) (V), e-sports (V)
Winter: basketball (boys) (V/JV/Freshman), basketball (girls) (V), indoor track & field (V), swimming (V)
Spring: softball (V), baseball (V), outdoor track & field (V), golf (V), esports (V)

Social Media
@UHSSE_Hartford
Half-Day Magnet High Schools

Find Your Half-Day Magnet High School (9–12)

East Hartford
- ECAMP™ Magnet School at Goodwin University (Grade 12 only)

Hartford
- Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts High School — Half Day

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Early College Advanced Manufacturing Pathway (ECAMP™) at Goodwin University
3 Pent Road, East Hartford, CT, 06118

Grade 12

NEW PROGRAM!
Attention current 11th grade students!

magnet school program for 12th grade students from participating high schools. Students spend the second half of their school day on the Goodwin University Campus engaging in college-level manufacturing courses and learning from industry partners located across the Greater Hartford region.

ECAMP™ students gain in-demand skills that can lead to high-paying, rewarding careers in the field of Advanced Manufacturing, including the industries of aerospace, electric vehicles, robotics, medical devices, and many more. Students are transported from their high school to arrive at Goodwin University at 11:00 a.m. with a bag lunch and are dismissed at 2:45 p.m.

Applicant Prerequisites

- Student is currently enrolled as a grade 11 student at a Connecticut public high school in the Greater Hartford region.
- Entering grade 12 students must have completed their school graduations requirements for grade 11, which may range from 18 to 21 high school credits, depending upon their school district.
- Families should check with their child’s school counselor to confirm eligibility

About Us
The Early College Advanced Manufacturing Pathway (ECAMP™) at Goodwin University is a part-time magnet school program for 12th grade students from participating high schools. Students spend the second half of their school day on the Goodwin University Campus engaging in college-level manufacturing courses and learning from industry partners located across the Greater Hartford region.

ECAMP™ students gain in-demand skills that can lead to high-paying, rewarding careers in the field of Advanced Manufacturing, including the industries of aerospace, electric vehicles, robotics, medical devices, and many more. Students are transported from their high school to arrive at Goodwin University at 11:00 a.m. with a bag lunch and are dismissed at 2:45 p.m.

Courses, Schedule and Certification

ECAMP™ course content is tailored to meet the competencies and learning styles of high school students. Advanced manufacturing is a hands-on field, and teachers and mentors prepare students for the field by providing detailed instruction and informative hands-on learning experiences. In addition, all students participate in free OSHA-10 (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) training and receive certification. This credential ensures that students will have industry-specific knowledge and skills that help prevent injuries and keep workplaces safe and productive.

Career and College Pathways

ECAMP™ provides students with apprenticeship and job shadowing opportunities with local industry partners. Upon graduation, students may enter a career immediately after high school graduation or attend Goodwin University to continue their education in a post-secondary setting.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with the following priority may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer, as long as the application is submitted on time and ECAMP™ is the first choice.

- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
About us

Motto: Make art. Change the world.

Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts Half-day is a pre-college, pre-professional arts training. Students from over 40 school districts attend their hometown high school in the morning for core academic classes, then join our afternoon program that provides rigorous training in dance, music, musical theater, theater design and production, and visual arts.

With over 200 arts courses, the scope and breadth of the Arts Half-day program is comprehensive, and challenges students to take risks, celebrate differences, and embrace and learn from failure. The daily classwork is experiential and process-focused. It is designed to foster students’ artistic growth to prepare them for entrance to a collegiate arts program and/or a career in the arts.

Applicant Prerequisites

Hartford residents interested in applying to Arts Half-day must enroll at Bulkeley High School for their academic classes in order to enroll in this half-day program.

Non-Hartford residents interested in applying to Arts Half-day program should work with counselors at their town high schools to schedule their academic classes in the morning before coming to the Arts Half-day for their arts courses in the afternoon.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer, as long as the application is submitted on time and Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts Half-day is the first choice.

- Applying as aSibling
- Applying as a Child of a School Staff Member
- Applying from a direct pathway school: Ana Grace Academy of the Arts School; Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts Full Day (9, 10, 11)

Features & Achievements

- Pre-college and pre-professional training in dance, music, musical theater, theater, theater design and production, and visual arts
- Art Schools Network (ASN) Exemplary Arts School, 2015
- Art Schools Network (ASN) Teacher of the Year, 2020
- Access to multiple performance, rehearsal, and specialized arts spaces, (i.e., dark room, sound booth, scene shop, etc.)
- Robust performance season providing students with an opportunity to apply their training and showcase their artistic growth
- All classes taught by practicing artist-instructors who are recipients of many prestigious arts awards
- Alumni working around the world in the arts
- First and oldest public magnet program in Greater Hartford, 1985-present

Performances & Exhibits

6x6: Six Plays in Six Days, Choreographers’ Showcase, Fall Showcase, Visual Arts Department Exhibitions, Senior Visual Arts Exhibition, Chamber Music Concert Series, Jazz choir, Chamber orchestra, Student-directed plays, Spring Musical

Social Media

@ghahalfday
@GHAAHalfDay

“My son Zach was just accepted to the Arts Half-day Program…Our daughter Megan is a 2011 graduate of the Arts Half-day Program and is now a CREC Montessori teacher. She embraces her time with Jonathan Gillman, former Director of The Looking in Theater. Needless to say, Megan’s time at the Arts Half-day Program left a lifetime impact on her and on our family. We are so excited that her little brother gets to experience it as well! Looking forward to the next 4 years.” – Patti Morytko, parent
The Hartford Region
Open Choice Program

Hartford Residents
Common Questions

1. **Who can apply?**
   Hartford residents with children entering prekindergarten age 4 (PK4) through grade 10.

2. **How many school districts may I select?**
   Applicants may choose up to five (5) school districts based on their residential zone and rank them in order of preference.

3. **How do priorities help in Open Choice placements?**
   Open Choice priorities are generally only applied to the applicant’s first choice school district and may increase the likelihood of receiving a placement offer, but do not guarantee an offer.

4. **Do I have to pay prekindergarten (PK) tuition?**
   No.

5. **Are before and/or after care available?**
   No.

6. **I applied to both Magnet Schools and the Open Choice Program, will I receive an offer to both programs?**
   No, you may only receive an offer to a magnet school or Open Choice school, but not both. You are not able to choose a preference for one program over the other in the application.

If you receive a magnet offer, you will not receive an Open Choice offer, and if you receive an Open Choice offer, you will not receive a magnet offer.

7. **How do I find my Hartford Residential Zone?**
   Locate your residential address on the Hartford Residential Zone Map, pages 98-99, to find your residential zone number.

8. **Which school districts participate?**

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- Residential Zone
- Email Contact
- Website
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- Student:Teacher Ratio
- Distance from Hartford
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Hartford residents living in Zone 1 are eligible to apply to these districts:

**Avon, Canton, East Granby, Granby, Simsbury, Suffield, and West Hartford**

To find your resident zone, please go to pages 98-99 to view the Hartford Resident Zone Map.
About Us
Avon is a town in the Farmington Valley region of Hartford County and is considered to be one of the most desirable communities in Connecticut. There are five schools that make up the school system: Roaring Brook School (PK–grade 4), Pine Grove School (kindergarten–grade 4), Thompson Brook School (grades 5 and 6), Avon Middle School (grades 7 and 8), and Avon High School (grades 9–12). The mission of Avon Public Schools is to inspire in each student a joy and passion for learning and a commitment to excellence, personal integrity, and social responsibility. Through a strong focus on culture, student achievement, and communications, and by collaborating with educators, students, families, and the community, Avon is recognized for its academic excellence and rich co-curricular programs.

Features & Achievements
- 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

Transportation
Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Avon School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Avon School District as their first-choice selection.
- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School
About Us
As a leader among school systems and a source of pride in our community, the Canton Public Schools enrich the present and shape the future of its students by opening minds and transforming lives. The district’s mission is to prepare independent, productive, respectful, and responsible citizens who contribute to an ever-changing world, and it pursues continuous improvement while honoring our strong educational legacy and traditions. Canton Public Schools unites with families and the community to provide challenging educational experiences that promote the intellectual, physical, social and emotional potential of its students. Students have the opportunity to extend their learning by participating in after-school tutoring and in extracurricular clubs and activities. Late bus transportation is provided, which allows students to take advantage of these opportunities. The Canton Board of Education hopes that its participation in the Open Choice Program will continue to grow, allowing all students to continue to achieve academically at high levels and to expose all students to diverse cultures.

Features & Achievements
• 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

Transportation
Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Canton School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Canton School District as their first-choice selection.
• Applying as a Sibling
• Applying as a Former Resident
• Applying for Open Choice Only
• Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School

Canton School District
4 Market Street, Canton, CT 06002
lyoung@cantonschools.org  860-693-7704
www.cantonschools.org  18:1 (K-6) Approx. 13 miles west of Hartford

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East Granby School District
33 Turkey Hills Rd., Box 674, East Granby, CT 06026

About Us
East Granby Public Schools is comprised of four schools that engage students in high-quality learning experiences: The Carl D. Allgrove School (PK–grade 2), R.D. Seymour School (grades 3–5), East Granby Middle School (grades 6–8), and East Granby High School (grades 9–12). East Granby Public Schools is a learning community where students are inspired and engaged in rigorous and authentic learning experiences that prepare them to meet the demands of a changing world. Students pursue knowledge in 21st century learning environments that foster development of individual talents, skills, and interests so they may achieve their personal and career goals. Educators, parents, students, and community partners are important stakeholders in the success of the East Granby Public Schools. Together, these work to ensure that students achieve high expectations and are prepared for productive and successful futures.

Features & Achievements
- 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 & World Report, Gold Rating, ranked #3 in CT, #294 in U.S.A.
- Small class sizes
- Family Resource Center (FRC) and a preschool program
- Elementary School of Distinction 2017, 2018 & 2019
- Restorative Philosophy practices
- Fully inclusive programming
- Successful SRBI protocols
- 100% four-year graduate rate

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select East Granby School District as their first-choice selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School (PK4 Hartford Residents)

Sports & Activities
- Varsity & JV sports programs
- Various clubs and afterschool programs (GSA, Student Council, Math team)
- Music programs: choir, band, jazz band
- Invention Convention
- Unified Sports Theatre arts program
- Partners with “Resilience Grows Here” for social and emotional development

Transportation
Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the East Granby School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
Granby Public Schools provides a comprehensive educational program for about 1,650 students in PK– Grade 12, and is dedicated to every student graduating on time and being prepared to meet their vision of a graduate. Granby is an outstanding rural school district with a dedicated and talented staff, enthusiastic student body, and an extremely supportive community. The district is characterized by its academic excellence; a rich variety of athletic, artistic, and co-curricular opportunities; community service; and high standards of personal behavior. A newly revised Vision of a Graduate and a Moving Forward Together Strategic Plan drives the work of the district. Granby has actively and successfully participated in Open Choice for more than 40 years. The district embraces cultural diversity and has a longstanding Granby Equity Team.

Students residing in Hartford are fully included in the life of each school. Equity of outcomes for Hartford residents is a district expectation.

Features & Achievements
- Unified Sports/athletic programs/extracurricular clubs & activities
- Chromebooks provided to students in Grades 3-12, iPads in grade K-2
- Dedicated Equity Team designed to support the Anti-Bias/Anti-Racism Action Plan
- Commitment to social/emotional growth in students
- Commitment to high levels of achievement for all students
- Prioritization of minority teacher recruitment and retention
- 22 AP course offerings and curricula focused on 21st century skills
- Summer Enrichment Opportunities provided

Transportation
Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Granby School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
Simsbury Public Schools prepares students for a global, interconnected society, with emphasis on building strong interpersonal relationships and higher-order thinking, communication, and technology skills. Teachers are experts in instruction and content knowledge, emphasizing 21st century skills across all curricular areas. Positive rapport with students is a priority, as teachers strive to instill excitement and joy into the learning environment. The curriculum emphasizes critical and creative thought; problem solving; effective written and oral communication; artistic expression; an understanding and appreciation of diverse cultures; and physical, social, and emotional wellness.

**Features & Achievements**

- 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
- U.S. News & World Report #6 of Best High Schools in Connecticut and #326 nationally
- Newsweek one of the top 5,000 STEM high schools in the country
- 28 AP courses; of the 439 students who took 894 AP exams, 82% of the scores were 3 or higher
- 82% of Class of 2020 committed to attend four-year colleges or universities
- A sequence of elective courses create pathways to potential careers: Architecture/Construction, Biomedical Science, Business & Science, Communication, Culinary Arts, Engineering, Humanities, Music and Performing Arts, Transportation/Automotive, and Visual Arts
- World languages in Spanish, French, Latin, and Chinese, with Seal of Biliteracy offered
- 94.1% four-year graduate rate

**Activities:**

- Unified Sports/Unified Theater
- National and international honor societies: computer science, world language, art, music, business
- FIRST Robotics

**Transportation**

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Simsbury School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.

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**Placement Priorities**

Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Simsbury School District as their first-choice selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School (PK4 Hartford Residents)
About Us

Suffield Public Schools believes that one of its most important responsibilities is to work with parents and the community to prepare students to be confident, thoughtful, contributing citizens both now and throughout their lives. Suffield Public Schools assist students in developing these qualities by creating an atmosphere that fosters a sense of belonging and acceptance. Students are challenged and supported academically in an environment that fosters social-emotional wellness, and the district continuously improves so that students have the best opportunity for future success.

Features & Achievements

- Suffield Public Schools Portrait of a Graduate Vision
- Rigorous core academic programs aligned with national standards of excellence
  - Common Core State Standards
  - College, Career, and Civic Life (C3) Framework
  - Next Generation Science Standards
  - National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Standards
  - International Society of Technology Education Standards
  - National Association for Music Education Standards
  - American Association of School Library Standards
  - National Agriculture Education Comprehensive Program Model

- Technologically enhanced school facilities with 1:1 Student & Staff Technology
- Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) lab-based programs (PreK-12)
- Career and Technical Education Pathways Programming
  - Culinary
  - Industrial
  - Manufacturing
- State and Nationally recognized Agriscience 3 Circle Program
  - Lab/Classroom Instruction
    - Animal Science Pathway
    - Horticulture Pathway
    - Mechanical Pathway
    - Natural Resources Pathway
    - Aquaculture and Marine Science Pathway
  - Future Farmers of America (FFA)
  - Supervised Agricultural Experience (SEA)
- Competitive Athletics and Student Activities Programming
  - 50+ Athletic Teams
  - 100+ Extracurricular Clubs and Activities
- Recognized Performing Arts Programming
- Ongoing professional learning to support the professional growth of certified and non-certified staff

Transportation

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Suffield School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
West Hartford School District
50 South Main St., West Hartford, CT 06107

About Us
“Clear Paths. Bright Futures. No Limits.” West Hartford Public Schools has high expectations for all students and provides them with a rigorous and relevant curriculum, and dynamic teaching through a commitment to continuous improvement. The district’s mission, core values, and goals all serve to drive the purpose, focus, and work of West Hartford Public Schools. The District Model of Continuous Improvement is driven by the established equity-focused goals and community expectations of the district’s schools. West Hartford Public Schools expect every child to develop into a confident, responsible, respectful, and compassionate student who is academically well prepared, physically fit, and emotionally healthy to journey through the 21st century.

Features & Achievements
- Dedicated WHPS/Open Choice Family Engagement Liaison
- Rigorous curriculum designed to increase awareness of and respect for diversity and inclusion
- High expectations for every WHPS adult to help each child thrive and reach their greatest potential
- Office of Equity Advancement and districtwide Equity and Diversity Council (EDC)
- Morning Meeting, Morning Advisory and Community Block small group teacher:student touchstone
- One Community for Equity, a network of parents/caregivers, educators and community stakeholders
- 1:1 Devices and technology loaner program
- Family Resource Centers
- Before, during, and after school academic and enrichment activities for all students
- 2020 and 2021 Middle School Principal of the Year, High School Assistant Principal of the Year
- AP Scholars
- 2021 High Schools Ranked top 12 and 14 in CT; top 3% nationally U.S. News and World Report
- 2020 CT Seal/Global Seal of Biliteracy earned by 150 students
- 2019 CT TSA Regional Conference (1st, 2nd & 3rd place awards)
- Districtwide Social Emotional Learning/Social Justice Education
- Sophomore, Junior and Senior Mastery Experience Capstone of self-directed projects
- “RULER” — five key emotion skills approach to supporting Social Emotional Learning
- STEM programming and partnership
- 95% four-year graduation rate

Activities & Sports
- Varsity, JV & intramural sports
- Band, concert jazz, orchestra, chamber orchestra, choir, a cappella,
- Student-run improv theater, plays, musicals
- World Language Exchange program, Future Educators of Diversity (FEoD), Unified Theater/Unified Sports, Youth Equity Squad
- Interdistrict Summer High School
- 100+ before and after school extra/co-curricular clubs

Transportation
Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the West Hartford School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
Open Choice Districts for Hartford Residents

Zone 2

These are the districts available to Hartford families living in Zone 2:
Bolton, Coventry, East Windsor, Ellington, Enfield, Somers, South Windsor, Tolland, and Windsor Locks

To find your resident zone, please go to pages 98-99 to view the Hartford Resident Zone Map.
The Bolton Public Schools believes that all students are empowered to embrace learning and a healthy mindset, continually build knowledge, develop skills, and become engaged global citizens. An outstanding award-winning rural school district, Bolton is a learning organization grounded in high expectations, personalized to student needs and interests, tailored to inspire passion and challenge thinking, and committed to safe, supportive, nurturing environments, motivated by a culture of continuous improvement and innovation. This leads to high levels of engagement and achievement for all students to pursue the dreams and opportunities of tomorrow. The mission of the Bolton Public Schools is to inspire all students to grow as learners, individuals, and citizens.

Features & Achievements

- Family/school partnerships to support student learning
- Student-centered teaching and learning
- Commitment to social-emotional growth in students
- Supportive environment focused on respect, responsibility, and compassion for others
- Focus on the vision of a graduate thinking and learning skills necessary for future success
- Chromebooks provided to students in grades 4-12 and classroom sets in grades K-3
- Numerous individual, conference, state, and sportsmanship awards for our athletic teams, musicians, and artists
- Learning emphasizes critical thinking, communication, problem solving, artistic expression, emotional wellness, citizenship, and self-direction
- Elementary STEM program
- Numerous AP and ECE (Early College Experience) offerings
- Small class sizes allowing for personalized learning
- PBIS and Second Step provide a holistic approach to supporting social emotional learning
- Senior CAPSTONE self-directed projects
- Peer-led writing and math centers
- Personal finance for all high school students
- Challenge and support blocks during the school day

Activities:

- Wide variety of athletic programs, extracurricular clubs, and activities
- Award-winning programs in music, arts, and STEM
- First Robotics, Invention Convention, History Day, and Future Business Leaders - state and national competitions
- “Bigs and Littles” mentoring program

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Bolton School District as their first-choice selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School (PK4 Hartford Residents)

Transportation

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Bolton School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
Coventry Public Schools, located in Tolland County close to Interstate 84, makes the most of its location near University of Connecticut, Eastern Connecticut State University, and Manchester Community College for internships, student-teaching partnerships, community service work, and college opportunities. Our mission states, “The Coventry Public Schools will prepare every student for life, learning and work in the 21st century.” The Board of Education has a strong commitment to ensuring that every student leaves our district college and career ready with the 21st century skills necessary to meet success through goals directed at improving student performance and achievement, promoting a positive and respectful learning community, and recruiting a high-quality and diverse staff. A high performing school district that focuses on academic, social and emotional development, Coventry Public Schools boasts rigorous academics, a collaborative culture, and best practices in teaching and learning that lead to outstanding student achievement. Our Portrait of the Graduate ensures that our students are empowered learners who have the knowledge, skills, and habits of mind to thrive in our complex society.

Features & Achievements

- Portrait of a Graduate promotes competencies of Critical Thinker, Engaged Collaborator, Empowered Citizen, Authentic Innovator, & Effective Communicator
- Experiential learning and opportunities, including academic and experiential field trips (international experiences), Out of this World Science Day featuring a sky dome, Skyping with astronauts from NASA, interdisciplinary projects
- Highly Successful Tiered Intervention and Gifted and Talented Programming
- G.H. Robertson School (grades 3–5), National Blue Ribbon School and CSDE School of Distinction (3 times); Coventry High School ranked 39 in CT by US News and World Report, #1 in our District Reference Group (DRG); Coventry Public Schools ranked 33 in CT by Niche, #1 in our DRG; Coventry High School Principal of the Year by the Connecticut Association of Schools; Capt. Nathan Hale School (grades 6–8) awarded New England League of Middle Schools Spotlight School recognition
- UConn site district for pre-professional program
- Advanced Placement Program: Exceptionally robust with 45% of students in Grades 10–12 participating.
- 95.3% four-year graduate rate

Activities:

- 16 varsity sports and various junior varsity, intramurals, recreational sports, and clubs
- Academic clubs, include coding, robotics, international award-winning Future Problem Solvers Club and Paints on Fire; exceptional high school band (two-time participant in the National Memorial Day Parade in Washington D.C.); Drama Club; student leadership groups
- Spirit Days, Family Fun Nights, and philanthropic service drives including the CT Pajama Day Drive for CMCC

Transportation

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Coventry School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
About Us

East Windsor Public Schools provides a climate that inspires the school communities to achieve their full potential through continuous improvement and mutual trust and respect. The administrative team includes nine professionals throughout the district, including a principal and assistant principal in each of East Windsor’s three schools; an assistant superintendent of PK–12 education; a director of special education; and a school superintendent.

Features & Achievements

- 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
- Variety of AP courses at EWHS Honors level courses at EWMS
- Offer Algebra at EWMS
- Variety of Career and Technical Education courses at EWHS
- Safe School Climate curriculum from PK–grade 12 including Responsive Classroom at elementary, Second Step at secondary and Restorative Practice philosophy
- 87.0% four-year graduate rate

Transportation

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the East Windsor School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select East Windsor School District as their first-choice selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School

Transportation

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the East Windsor School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
**About Us**
Ellington Public Schools is a high performing school district that values diversity. It grows exceptional learners and leaders who are courageous, reflective, and contributing citizens of the world. A culture of learning exists that challenges and inspires all students on their personalized educational journeys. The four primary areas of focus are mastery-based learning, equitable opportunities, innovative practices, and personalized learning.
Ellington Public Schools is a district on the rise, and welcomes all who want to contribute to the collective while honoring their individual journey.

**Features & Achievements**
- Mastery-based learning
- Equitable opportunities
- Innovative practices
- Personalized learning
- Social Emotional Learning
- High-quality teaching
- 2022 Best Communities for Music Education
- 1:1 Technology in grades 1-12
- College Power - Post-Secondary Education planning for students grades 7 and 8
- 99.0 % graduation rate

**Activities**
Over 30 Clubs and Athletic Teams, Unified Sports Program, Elementary partnership with Hartford Stage

**Transportation**
Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Ellington School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.

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**Placement Priorities**
Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select **Ellington School District** as their first-choice selection.
- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School
Enfield School District
1010 Enfield Street, Enfield, CT 06082

Hartford Residential Zone: 2

mmiddleton@enfieldschools.org 860-253-6500 www.enfieldschools.org 13:1 Approx. 18 miles north of Hartford

About Us
Enfield Public Schools offers students outstanding opportunities to grow and develop as thoughtful learners through its instructional programs and rich co-curricular opportunities. Enfield embraces a multi-disciplinary learning approach that focuses on developing students' skills and knowledge in science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics. The EPS STEAM Academy offers an Early Beginnings preschool program for four year-old students. The center is located at the Stowe Early Learning Center. Enfield Public Schools partners with the LEGO Group to offer LEGO Education products that support student learning in the classroom, and with Asnuntuck Community College to prepare students for advanced study and career readiness. The district offers a wide variety of college dual-enrollment programs, including Advanced Placement courses, UConn’s Early College Experience, and Asnuntuck College’s College and Career Pathways courses.

Features & Achievements
• STEAM-themed district in grades PK–12
• Full-day PK program for children four years of age
• Partnerships with Asnuntuck offer academic and vocational experiences for high school students
• Family Resources centers located within the Stowe Early Learning Center and Henry Barnard Elementary School
• The Building Tomorrow Project allows for the instructional use of LEGO products in all preschool through Grade 5 classrooms
• STEAM units/courses offered at all levels, PK through high school
• Wide variety of AP offerings (20) at Enfield High School
• College Connections Program with Asnuntuck Community College
• Preschool Programming
• Seal of Biliteracy offered
• Peer-led writing center at Enfield High School
• High school partnership with Asnuntuck Community College
• 92.1% four-year graduation rate

Activities:
• Middle school sports
• Middle school music programs: orchestra, chorus, and concert band
• High school sports: Varsity, JV, and freshman sports
• High school music programs: orchestra, chorus, concert, jazz, and marching band
• Clubs and afterschool programs (Student council, Robotics, Diversity Club, Rachel’s Challenge Club, DECA, and Debate Club)
• Unified Sports
• Invention Convention

Transportation
Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Enfield School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Enfield School District as their first-choice selection.
• Applying as a Sibling
• Applying as a Former Resident
• Applying for Open Choice Only
• Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School
The vision of the Somers Public Schools is to challenge students and staff members to pursue excellence, foster creative expression, and to develop a concern for the quality of life for all. The schools’ vision embraces a culture and environment that promotes lifelong learning, develops self-worth, supports uniqueness and diversity, and empowers individuals to make choices that lead to lives filled with dignity, respect, happiness, and opportunity.

Features & Achievements

- 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.
- Technology Innovation Design and Engineering (TIDE) Program at SHS. Small class sizes.
- At Mabelle B Avery Middle School: strong advisory program for SEL. Strong home-school partnership and a team approach to academics.
- At Somers Elementary School: Small class sizes, strong home-school communication, strong school wide PBIS/SEL
- 92.4% four-year graduation rate

Activities & Sports

- Wide variety of after school clubs at Somers High School (Sciptura, GSA, Unity Team, Gamers, etc.), award-winning yearbook program
- At Mabelle B Avery Middle School: variety of after school clubs (Math, Fitness, Robotics, etc.) At Somers Elementary School: chorus & band, student council, STEM club.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Somers School District as their first-choice selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School

Transportation

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Somers School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
South Windsor Public Schools is proud to be one of the original participants in the Hartford Region Open Choice Program. The district’s commitment to the program has remained steadfast and participation has increased steadily since that time. Today, more than 100 Open Choice students are part of the district’s community. The district’s mission is to dream, achieve, and inspire. South Windsor believes all students must have a global perspective to be truly college and career ready. The district’s participation in the Open Choice program has helped to enhance opportunities for all of its students to exemplify the attributes of our Portrait of a Graduate — to possess a learner’s mindset, exhibit resilience and social consciousness and be empowered to participate in an ever-changing global society.

Features & Achievements
- Three newly constructed, state-of-the-art elementary schools, and the fourth and final elementary school is currently under construction and expected to open in August 2023
- Commitment to high levels of achievement for all students through rigorous and differentiated curriculum
- 1:1 devices for K–12 students
- World Language program grades 1–12; Seal of Biliteracy
- Elementary STEM program
- Peer-led writing and math centers
- 95.8% four-year graduation rate
- Wide selection of extracurricular activities and athletic programs
- Robust efforts to recruit a diverse faculty and staff

Transportation
Hartford residents in grades K through 12, attending school in the South Windsor School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select South Windsor School District as their first-choice selection.
- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School
About Us

The Tolland Public Schools include four school facilities, Birch Grove Elementary School (grades K–2), Tolland Intermediate School (grades 3–5), Tolland Middle School (grades 6–8), and Tolland High School (grades 9–12). Curriculum, instruction, assessment, and culturally responsive education are of crucial importance to the district's vision and work. District educators work hard to provide a strong educational experience with love, and humanity. Tolland Public Schools perform well on measures of success for students, and it focuses on mastery education and learning. Tolland schools are invested in programs that emphasize great writing such as writers workshop, and rigorous mathematics through Singapore math.

The school system has embraced Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) and works hard to give students opportunities to focus inward to improve themselves and outward to create positive change in the world. The school system has a relationship with the University of Connecticut (UConn) and offers UConn Early College Experience (ECE) programs.

Features & Achievements

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

Transportation

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Tolland School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
About Us
Windsor Locks Public Schools creates and sustains a community of life-long learners where all students are engaged, empowered, and expected to achieve at the highest levels. They are also expected to become responsible, contributing citizens in an ever-changing global society.

Features & Achievements
- Student-centered learning and mastery-based grading system
- Offers Early College Experience (ECE) at University of Connecticut (UConn)
- Extended learning opportunities with community organizations and businesses
- Personalized focus on future education and careers

Transportation
Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Windsor Locks School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Windsor Locks School District as their first-choice selection.
- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School
Open Choice Districts for Hartford Residents

Zone 3

These are the districts available to Hartford families living in Zone 3:

Berlin, Farmington, Newington, Plainville, and Southington

To find your resident zone, please go to pages 98-99 to view the Hartford Resident Zone Map.
**About Us**

Along with parents, schools in Berlin stimulate and guide the intellectual, emotional, and physical growth of all students in the community, and the school system encourages students to be responsible, self-disciplined, creative, contributory, and perceptive citizenship in a free society. To accomplish this, Berlin’s education system recognizes individual differences while also helping each student to develop to their full potential. Every student in Berlin Public Schools will achieve established and rigorous performance standards in all areas of student learning by becoming independent strategic readers, problem solvers, and critical thinkers.

**Features & Achievements**

- 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.
- Committed to continuous improvement to foster student achievement and student success.
- Programming prepares students to make effective decisions, solve meaningful problems, and influence positive change in their lives and the lives of others.
- After School Academy
- 30+ AP/ECE/CCP course offerings
- Seal of Biliteracy offered
- 2020 College Success Award
- 98.3 % four-year graduate rate

**Activities & Sports**

- UpBeat Peer Leadership Program
- FIRST Robotics Future Teachers Club Interact
- Student Ambassador Program Unity Teams

**Transportation**

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Berlin School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
About Us

Farmington Public Schools believes that all students are capable of acquiring the knowledge, skills, and dispositions needed to be productive, ethical, and responsible citizens in an evolving world. As an innovative learning organization, the school district is deeply committed to continuous improvement. Thus, collaborative interactions among students, educators, parents, and families emphasize the importance of clear expectations, rigorous standards-led curriculum, inspired instruction, personal effort, and engaged relationships. This leads to high levels of achievement for all learners. The mission of Farmington Public Schools is to enable all students to achieve academic and personal excellence; to exhibit persistent effort; and to live as resourceful, inquiring, and contributing global citizens.

Features & Achievements

- Student-centered teaching and learning
- Focus on the Vision of the Global Citizen 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
- AP Scholars
- AVID programming for college readiness
- Seal of Biliteracy
- Senior CAPSTONE self-directed projects
- Challenge and support blocks in the school day
- “RULER” — five key emotion skills approach to supporting Social Emotional Learning
- STEM programming and partnership with JAX Laboratories
- Internships and job shadowing
- Personal finance
- 99.3% four-year graduate rate

Activities & Sports

- 15 different social justice clubs in grade 5-12
- Nationally Ranked Music Programming Unified Sports FIRST Robotics Winning teams
- Varsity, JV, freshmen athletics & intramurals
- Debate, economics, fashion design, theater, peer leaders, and many other clubs and activities
- Student voice & leadership in school improvement goals
- FHS Connect – Service Related Events and Activities

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Farmington School District as their first-choice selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School

Activities & Sports

- 15 different social justice clubs in grade 5-12
- Nationally Ranked Music Programming Unified Sports FIRST Robotics Winning teams
- Varsity, JV, freshmen athletics & intramurals
- Debate, economics, fashion design, theater, peer leaders, and many other clubs and activities
- Student voice & leadership in school improvement goals
- FHS Connect – Service Related Events and Activities

Transportation

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Farmington School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
About Us

The Newington Public Schools' curriculum provides a comprehensive, diverse, and challenging array of rich learning experiences to meet the needs of all students. Based on state and national standards, the curriculum provides the framework for a student's educational journey from kindergarten to grade 12. A one-on-one technology initiative pairs students in kindergarten through grade 2 with iPads that remain in the classroom, while students in grades 3 to 12 are issued Chromebooks that can be taken home. Beginning in grade 5, all students are enrolled in the district's science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) exploratory program, where they are exposed to engineering in a dynamic, flexible environment. In grade 7, students interested in the STEM exploratory program may apply to one of two extended day STEM academies: biomedical sciences or aerospace and engineering.

Newington High School recently underwent a $2.5 million renovation that now houses the high school STEM academy programs. It includes genomics, health services, aerospace, and art design labs, a commons area, and a 120-seat culinary and hospitality center. Students may enroll in three academy-themed programs: information technology and digital creation, finance and business management, medical sciences, family & child development.

Features & Achievements

- Every child is college, career, and citizenship ready
- Emphasis on innovations in teaching and learning/academies
- Diversity, family support, commitment, and involvement strengthen student learning. A culture of excellence!
- 1:1 devices — K-12
- Strong focus on Social Emotional Wellness
- 95.0% four-year graduation rate

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Newington School District as their first-choice selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School

Activities & Sports

- Varsity, JV, freshman athletics & intramurals, nationally ranked band and music program, theater, plays, musical productions, Unified Sports
- DECA – annual state and national finalists; diverse, broad program of studies; 80+ extra/co-curricular clubs & activities

Transportation

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Newington School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
About Us
Plainville features a safe, secure, and positive learning environment and is committed to ensuring that all students grow and develop to achieve high levels of learning.

Plainville's schools consistently exceed the state and district reference group averages in all grades. Building strong, supportive relationships, and providing meaningful and engaging learning opportunities serves as the district's foundation.

Features & Achievements
- 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
- 92.5% four-year graduate rate

Transportation
Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Plainville School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Plainville School District as their first-choice selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School
Southington School District 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. Southington High School, with approximately 2,000 students, is a four-year comprehensive public high school offering curricular and co-curricular programs to all students. A graduate of the Southington Public Schools will be college or career ready and prepared for life beyond by mastering the knowledge and demonstrating the skills to communicate effectively, think creatively and critically, and contribute to the global community.

Features & Achievements

- Close partnership with the district and the community
- 1:1 Devices, K-12
- World language instruction, 6-12
- Southington High School Features
  - Diverse offerings of Advanced Placement and UConn ECE courses College Credit Opportunities at SHS
  - Values the visual and performing arts with offerings in drama, instrumental and vocal music, general music, and formal art instruction
  - Project Lead the Way Program for aspiring engineers that partners with Rochester Institute of Technology to offer RIT credits through the program
  - Agriculture Science and Technology Program a regional four year program for students who wish to prepare for a career in Agriculture Science and other related careers
  - College level partnerships with Tunxis and Middlesex Community Colleges & Iowa University.
  - FIRST Robotics Team 195’s brings tremendous value to students from an experiential learning, college readiness, and social perspective. This program provides a unique “varsity sport of the mind” designed to help high-school-aged young people discover how interesting and rewarding the life of engineers and scientists can be.
  - Offers the CT Seal of Biliteracy
  - AP Scholars
  - 9-12 mastery-based diploma portfolio
  - New England Association of Schools & Colleges

Activities & Sports

- Southington Athletics Highly competitive athletic program with state and conference titles. Including middle school sports, high school — varsity, junior varsity, and freshman teams.
- After-school clubs offered in elementary, middle and high school
- Unified sports, unified theater

Social Media:

Southington High School YouTube Channel

Transportation

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Southington School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
Greater Hartford Region RSCO School Choice Family Guide

Open Choice Districts for Hartford Residents

Zone 4

These are the districts available to Hartford families living in Zone 4:
Cromwell, Glastonbury, Portland, Rocky Hill, and Wethersfield

To find your resident zone, please go to pages 98-99 to view the Hartford Resident Zone Map.
About Us

Cromwell Public Schools is comprised of four educational facilities including Cromwell High School (grades 9–12); Cromwell Middle School (grades 6–8); Woodside Intermediate School (grades 3–5); and Edna C. Stevens Elementary School (PK–grade 2). About 2,000 students are enrolled in the district. Cromwell’s four schools are located near one another, and this affords the district the opportunity to share resources and personnel in the most educational and cost-effective manner possible. Cromwell’s commitment to 21st Century learning is enhanced through a multi-year commitment to technology improvements. These upgrades connect all buildings via cable for data, voice, and video exchange for internal communications. In addition, the entire district has access to the Internet through the Connecticut Education Network. Cromwell Public Schools strives to educate and inspire all students to apply the essential skills needed to become productive and responsible citizens in a rapidly changing world.

In pursuing this mission, Cromwell believes that all students are valued and that all students deserve an education that addresses their academic, physical, and social and emotional needs. We also believe that all members of the community must uphold high expectations, be accountable, and demonstrate a commitment to excellence.

Features & Achievements

• 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

Transportation

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Cromwell School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select **Cromwell School District** as their first-choice selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School
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Glastonbury School District
628 Hebron Avenue, Glastonbury, CT 06033

Hartford Residential Zone: 4

grenusl@glastonburyus.org  860-652-7940  www.glastonburyus.org  13:1  Approx. 10 miles southeast of Hartford

About Us
Glastonbury Public Schools, in partnership with the Glastonbury community, prepares and challenges every student to become a successful and productive member of a diverse and evolving global society. The school system is comprised of nine schools, including one high school, one seventh- and eighth-grade middle school, a sixth-grade school, and six elementary schools that serve kindergarten through fifth-grade students. About 95 percent of the town’s school-aged children attend Glastonbury Public Schools and about 7,000 students are enrolled in the district.

Features & Achievements
• Safe and welcoming schools
• Diverse course offerings and rigorous curriculum
• Many sports and after school activities

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Glastonbury School District as their first-choice selection.
• Applying as a Sibling
• Applying as a Former Resident
• Applying for Open Choice Only
• Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School

Transportation
Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Glastonbury School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
Portland Public Schools prides itself on having exciting 21st century schools that feature small class sizes and dedicated, caring, and talented educators. The district is committed to teaching core subjects, information technology skills, life and career skills, and this is all grounded in innovative and creative teaching. The district engages successful readers, writers, and mathematicians, and all of our schools promote respect and dignity, allowing every student to achieve both academically and socially in safe, respectful, and positive classroom environments. Portland is also devoted to fostering opportunities for students to excel in the arts, and has well-established and award-winning music and drama programs. Its high school musicians recently competed at Disney World in Florida and won several competitions. In addition, Portland Public Schools provides its students with a comprehensive physical education & health curriculum that focuses on the education of healthy minds, the development of healthy bodies, and the promotion of positive attitudes towards lifetime physical activity. Portland Secondary School (high school and middle school) provides life-long lessons through athletic competition. The school’s teams compete in 18 sports as a member of the Shoreline Conference, and many of its athletes and teams have won both regional and statewide recognition. Two of our schools have received the National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence Award, and the Town of Portland has been recognized as one of America’s Top 100 Small Towns.

**Features & Achievements**

- 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
- 1 to 1 Devices
- A thriving musical arts program
- 90.5 % four-year graduate rate

**Activities & Sports**

- High school and middle school athletics
- Unified Sports Program (high school, middle school)

**Transportation**

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Portland School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.

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**Placement Priorities**

Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Portland School District as their first-choice selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School
About Us

Rocky Hill Public Schools are committed to providing an educational environment in which all students discover and achieve their maximum potential in preparation for productive, meaningful lives and responsible citizenship.

All Rocky Hill students demonstrate knowledge, understanding, and mastery of communication skills, mathematics, physical/life sciences, and social studies. All Rocky Hill students will develop habits conducive to health, personal responsibility, and good citizenship essential for living cooperatively in an increasingly complex world.

Features & Achievements

- Safe and welcoming schools
- High academic standards
- 1:1 technology for grades K-12
- Highly competitive athletic program with state and conference titles
- Rigorous K-12 curriculum
- World language offerings in grades 4-12
- Numerous AP and Early College Experiences (ECE) at the high school
- 96.8% four-year graduation rate

Activities & Sports

- Opportunities to participate in intramural and interscholastic sports
- Clubs and extracurricular activities for a vary of interests

Transportation

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Rocky Hill School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Rocky Hill School District as their first-choice selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only
- Applying for kindergarten from a pathway school: Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School
About Us

Education in Wethersfield is the shared responsibility of schools, students, families, and other community agencies. These groups work together so that Wethersfield students may realize their full potential. Accordingly, the mission of the Wethersfield Public Schools is to ensure that all students will acquire skills and knowledge for lifelong learning. It also wants students to be able to compete in a global economy, develop self-discipline and function as responsible citizens of society, and develop and understand their ethical, cultural, aesthetic, and intellectual values and respect those of others.

Features & Achievements

- 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
- Diverse selection of AP (advanced placement) and UConn ECE (Early College Experience) courses
- 1:1 Technology for all students
- Emphasis on SEL (Social and Emotional Learning)
- High school equity team
- Advisory at middle and high school levels
- Career Counseling
- Partnerships with higher ed, local businesses and foundations
- 93.7 % four-year graduate rate

Activities & Sports

- Wide array of extracurricular activities/clubs
- Music programs include Band, Orchestra, Chorus, Choir, Instrumental Music
- Keane Foundation After School enrichment programs
- Wide variety of freshman, JV and varsity athletics
- Unified sports
- Theatrical productions

Transportation

Hartford residents in grades PK4 through 12, attending school in the Wethersfield School District, will be transported to and from the school district at no cost.
The Hartford Region
Open Choice Program

Non-Hartford Residents
Open Choice Schools for Non-Hartford Residents

Kindergarten through 8th grade options available

The Open Choice Program is a free program that allows non-Hartford resident students to attend certain public schools in Hartford with unique programming. This Program offers a great opportunity for students to access the benefits of special programming while learning in culturally diverse and enriching school communities.

Common Questions

1. **Who may apply?**
   Non-Hartford residents with children entering kindergarten through grade 8.

2. **How many school districts may I select?**
   Applicants may select the schools that serve their grade level and rank them in order of preference.

3. **I applied to both Magnet Schools and the Open Choice Program, will I receive an offer to both programs?**
   No, you may only receive an offer to a magnet school or Open Choice school, but not both. You are not able to choose a preference for one program over the other in the application. If you receive a magnet offer, you will not receive an Open Choice offer. This also applies, if you receive an Open Choice offer, you will not receive a magnet offer.

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*Interested suburban families must complete a separate application with Hartford Public Schools for this school.
About Us
At Moylan School, we foster students' joy of learning and passion for helping others to develop thinkers and leaders who positively contribute to the community. As an Expeditionary Learning (EL) school, students participate in learning expeditions, fieldwork, and service learning. All students have access to 1 to 1 technology.

Students engage in in-depth learning “Expeditions” that integrate reading, writing, and service learning. We partner with parents to ensure the academic success of their child through Student-Led Conferences. These meetings give students the opportunity to share and explain their learning, and set future goals with parents and teachers. Students participate in a project-based, hands-on approach to learning that encourages them to effect positive change in their community.

Special Features
• Students may select from multiple activities after school that are with our Community Partners.
• We hold weekly community meetings that support the development of the whole child.
• Our community partnership with Hartford performs allows us to integrate the arts into our curriculum.
• We also partner with Trinity College, the Boys & Girls Club of Hartford, Community Farm of Simsbury, and Horizons at Westminster.

Before & After School Care
After school care is available, fees may vary. We have a partnership with Boys & Girls Club of Hartford, which buses a limited number of students to their site after school.

Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Expeditionary Learning Academy at Moylan School as their first-choice selection.
• Applying as a Sibling
• Applying as a Former Resident
• Applying for Open Choice Only

Motto: The EL Education at Moylan School teaches students to be “Crew, Not Passengers” by building a scholastic community that values academic achievement, high-quality student work, and character. Students engage in crew lessons tied to our Compass for Learners that cultivate a mindset of “Courtesy, Craftsmanship, Resilience, and Responsibility” so that students value community responsibility and take pride in academic achievement and work.
About us

Global Communications Academy embraces the diversity of our students, staff, families and communities. As part of the Association of IB (International Baccalaureate) World Schools, offering the Primary Years Programme in Grades K-5, we prepare our students for world citizenship. This challenging program develops academic, social and communication skills.

We promote student's individual and shared voice and a respect for humanity and the environment. Students learn about global issues, global systems and global cultures. Our International school program offers a rigorous curriculum which fosters curiosity and provides an array of opportunities to cultivate inquiry.

Special Features

Global teachers and staff instill into students a college-bound mindset from their first days in kindergarten. We have a rigorous, standards-based curriculum (International Baccalaureate-aligned in the elementary grades) that include a range of college- and career-readiness programming across all grades K-8.

Starting in Kindergarten we offer dual language (Spanish) immersion. We partner with the Say Yes to Education and Hartford Promise programs to support our students’ college pathway and success

Having an elementary International Baccalaureate foundation has led to many of our alumni being accepted and matriculating in several prestigious colleges across America, including Trinity College, Johns Hopkin University, Boston University, and University of Connecticut.

Clubs and Sports

- STEM Club, Dance Club
- Grades 3-8 have access to year-round in sports
- Grades 6-8: basketball, track and field, volleyball, cheerleading

Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Global Communications Academy as their first-choice selection.

- Applying as a Sibling
- Applying as a Former Resident
- Applying for Open Choice Only

Motto: Global Communications Academy scholars are future world leaders!
About us

The Renzulli Academy offers high-quality and distinctive programs to identified gifted and talented youth. The Academy utilizes the Schoolwide Enrichment Model (SEM). SEM is not intended to replace or minimize existing services to high-achieving students. Rather, its purpose is to integrate these services into “a rising tide lifts all ships” approach to school improvement.

SEM provides enriched learning experiences and higher standards for all children through three goals:
- Developing talents in all children;
- Providing a broad range of advanced-level enrichment experiences for all students;
- Providing follow-up advanced learning for children based on interests.

SEM emphasizes engagement and the use of enjoyable and challenging learning experiences constructed around students’ interests and learning styles.

Features & Achievements

- We believe engagement, enthusiasm and enjoyment increase academic achievement, and we promote it at all times
- Our school believes in developing the talents of ALL children/students
- We provide a broad range of advanced-level enrichment experiences for all students
- Renzulli provides follow-up advanced learning for children/students based on their interests

 Clubs & Activities

Clubs: Homework, Chess, Anime, Storytelling, Coding Community Project Literacy Book

Activities: Award-winning band and instrumental program, Talent show/art show, Composition Night, Math Night, Science Night, Enrichment Clusters

Sports & Athletics

Middle School (grades 6 to 8): basketball (boys and girls), volleyball (girls), track and field (boys and girls), soccer (boys and girls)

School Pathway Priority

Students that are interested in attending one the following pathway schools should submit an on-time RSCO online application and select the preferred pathway school as their first choice to receive this priority.

- Classical Magnet School
- Great Path Academy at MCC

Application Process

A separate application is required to apply to Renzulli Academy. For more information about how to apply, contact the school directly at 860-695-2140 or visit sites.google.com/hartfordschools.org/renzulli-academy/admissions-process for more information.

Social Media

@RenzulliAcademy

@RenzulliGifted
Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS)

Hartford Region Technical High Schools
CTECS technical high schools provide students in Grades 9–12 with the opportunity to master skills in a career and technology program while earning a high school diploma, as well as business and industry credentials. Students are prepared for immediate employment, apprenticeship programs, and college and career opportunities.

Families may apply to A.I. Prince Technical High School, E.C. Goodwin Technical High School and Howell Cheney Technical High School through RSCO for students entering 9th grade. Applicants apply to all three (3) technical high school as a region during the application process and rank the schools in order of preference.

**Common Questions**

1. **Who can apply?**  
   Hartford and suburban residents with children entering 9th grade.

2. **How many schools may I select?**  
   Applicants must apply to all three (3) technical high schools (A.I. Prince, E.C. Goodwin, and Howell Cheney) as a region during the application process and rank the schools in order of preference.

3. **How do priorities help in CTECS placements?**  
   CTECS priorities are generally only applied to the applicant's first choice school and may increase the likelihood of receiving a placement offer, but do not guarantee an offer.

4. **When is CTECS Early Application Deadline?**  
   January 13, 2023

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Technical High Schools

Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS) technical high schools offer 9–12 grade students with state-of-the-art classrooms; latest instructional technology and industry-standard equipment that gives students a well-rounded, 21st century education.

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Technical High Schools

Career and College Options for Technical High School Graduates

Technical High School students graduate with a high school diploma and a certificate in their Career and Technical Education (CTE) Program that prepares graduates for immediate employment, apprenticeship programs, and college and career opportunities.

Automated Manufacturing
Careers: Computer Numerical Control (CNC) operator or programmer
College: two- or four-year degree in manufacturing or mechanical engineering or other related fields

Automotive Collision, Repair, and Refinishing
Careers: technicians in independent collision repair facilities and vehicle dealerships
College: two- or four-year degree in automotive or mechanical engineering or other related fields

Automotive Technology
Careers: repair technicians in independent facilities or dealerships, as a service advisor, or a service writer
College: two- or four-year degree in automotive or mechanical engineering, or other related fields

Carpentry
Careers: residential and commercial construction, CNC operator, woodworking flooring installers, and furniture maker
College: two-year construction technology degree or a four-year engineering degree

Criminal Justice and Protective Services
Careers: Students deciding to join the military will be eligible to enter at a higher level and have the skills necessary for their advancement.
College: two- or four-year degree in related fields

Culinary Arts
Careers: restaurants, casinos, catering facilities, bakeries, and corporate dining
College: two- or four-year degree in Culinary Arts, Hospitality or Foodservice Management

Electrical
Careers: cable TV, telephone, voice video and data wiring, electrical lineman, and green technology areas
College: two- or four-year degree in electrical engineering or other related fields

Diesel and Heavy-duty Equipment Repair
Careers: repair technicians in vehicle and equipment dealerships and maintenance shops
College: two- or four-year degree in automotive or mechanical engineering, or other related fields

Graphics Technology
Careers: engineering assistant, alarm system technician, communications, and information systems
College: two-year engineering technology degree or a four-year electrical engineering degree

Digital Media
Careers: media production (animation, narration, audio, visual, and more)
College: two- or four-year degrees in digital media or communications
Technical High Schools

**Hairdressing and Cosmetology**
*Careers:* Graduates are qualified to work in salons or spas; state licensure exams are offered prior to graduation.
*College:* two- or four-year degree in related fields

**Health Technology**
*Careers:* Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), Registered Nurse (RN), certified nursing assistants, or medical assistants
*College:* two- or four-year degrees in the health care field

**Heating, Ventilation, & Air Conditioning (HVAC)**
*Careers:* HVAC technician, refrigeration mechanic, sheet metal design, gas system technician, or oil burner technician
*College:* two- or four-year degree in related fields

**Information Technology**
*Careers:* computer programming, gaming, data infrastructure
*College:* Two- or four-year degree in related fields

**Masonry**
*Careers:* installers of concrete, fireplace stone walls, patio, retaining walls, and tile (wall and floor)
*College:* two- or four-year degree in related fields

**Mechanical Design and Engineering**
*Careers:* computer-aided drafter, designer, or illustrator or as an engineering technician in applicable industries
*College:* two- or four-year degree in the areas of manufacturing or mechanical engineering or other related fields

**Plumbing and Heating**
*Careers:* plumbing and heating maintenance, pipefitters, steamfitters, plumbing and heating service technician
*College:* two- or four-year degree in related fields

**Precision Machining**
*Careers:* CNC operators or programmers, mold-makers or engineering technicians
*College:* two- or four-year degree in manufacturing or mechanical engineering, or other related fields

**Sustainable Architecture**
*Careers:* engineering technician, computer-aided architectural design/drafter, or illustrator
*College:* two- or four-year degree in the areas of architectural, structural, or civil engineering

**Welding and Metal Fabrication**
*Careers:* aviation and aerospace industries, large construction companies and independent welding and fabrication shops
*College:* two- or four-year degree in related fields
Placement Priorities

Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select A.I. Prince Tech as their first choice.

- CTECS Alumni/Graduate
- CTECS Employee/Staff
- Enrolled Sibling
- Technical High School Choice Only

Placement priorities generally increase an applicant’s likelihood of placement; however, they do not guarantee a placement offer for the applicant’s first choice school. Placement priorities are verified by the school staff.

Sports (interscholastic athletics)

Football, soccer, volleyball, basketball, cross-country, cheerleading, baseball, softball, indoor & outdoor track, tennis, lacrosse, golf, and co-op opportunities

Activities & Clubs

Skills USA, National Honors Society, Ski Club, Animation Club, Dance Troupe, Multicultural Club, & Digital Book Club

Community Involvement

Capital Workforce Partners Career Connection, CT Youth Forum, Entrepreneurial Club, Girl Power Group, Girl Scouts, Hartbeat Youth Ensemble and Outward Bound

CTE (also known as “trade”) Selection Process

During the first half of the school year, every freshman student takes Exploratory, a course that rotates students through trade classrooms to learn about each CTE program. After students complete their course, a selection process is used to assign each student to their permanent CTE program, in which they will remain enrolled through graduation. CTE programs may vary by school. Please refer to Career and Technical Education (CTE) Program Definitions and Availability on pages 138-140.

Work-Based Learning (WBL)

Students in grades 11 and 12 (students 16 years and older) may participate in Work-Based Learning (WBL) and work for a local trade-related employer during the school day in place of trade instructional time. Participants gain hands-on career development experiences that will help them transition from school to work and give an advantage in the competitive workforce. WBL students receive school credit, gain real-world experience, and earn a paycheck!

College Credit

Students have the opportunity to earn college credit leading to a post-secondary certificate, associate’s, and/or baccalaureate degree. CTECS courses share the same curriculum and learning outcomes as the college. CTECS teachers and courses are approved by the college.

- College Career Pathways (CCP) program
  - Eligible students earn up to 14 college credits in their high school classrooms.
  - There is no cost to students.

- University of Connecticut Early College Experience (UConn ECE)
  - UConn ECE is a concurrent enrollment program that allows motivated high school students to take UConn courses at their high schools for both high school and college credit. UConn ECE courses are equivalent to the same course at the University of Connecticut.
  - Qualified students earn college credit in their high school classroom at low or no cost, depending on financial eligibility.

Career and College Preparedness

CTECS prepare graduates for immediate employment, entry into apprenticeship programs and/or admission into a two- or four-year college.
Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select E.C. Goodwin Tech as their first choice.

- CTECS Alumni/Graduate
- CTECS Employee/Staff
- Enrolled Sibling
- Technical High School Choice Only

Placement priorities generally increase an applicant's likelihood of placement; however, they do not guarantee a placement offer for the applicant's first choice school. Placement priorities are verified by the school staff.

Goodwin Tech’s newly renovated classrooms and workshops provide teachers with the best industry-standard equipment for their students’ success.

Sports (interscholastic athletics)
Football, soccer, girls volleyball, basketball, cross country, wrestling, baseball, golf, indoor & outdoor track, softball, lacrosse

Activities & Clubs
Student Council, National Honor Society, Music Club, SkillsUSA, Green Technology Club, HOBY, Peer Mentoring, Yearbook Club

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Placement Priorities
Applicants applying to this school district with one or more of the following priorities may have an increased chance of receiving a placement offer if they apply during the on-time period and select Howell Cheney Tech as their first choice.
• CTECS Alumni/Graduate
• CTECS Employee/Staff
• Enrolled Sibling
• Technical High School Choice Only

Placement priorities generally increase an applicant’s likelihood of placement; however, they do not guarantee a placement offer for the applicant’s first choice school. Placement priorities are verified by the school staff.

Cheney Tech stays ahead of the technology curve with a student-designed and built energy-efficient e-house, outfitted with a solar energy system.

Sports (interscholastic athletics)
Football, soccer, volleyball, basketball, cross country, baseball, softball, golf, and outdoor track

Activities & Clubs
Student Council, National Honor Society, SkillsUSA and Yearbook

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CTECS prepare graduates for immediate employment, entry into apprenticeship programs and/or admission into a two-or four-year college.
Agricultural Science & Technology Education Schools (ASTE)

9th Grade Options Available
The ASTE schools prepare students for college and careers in animal science, agribusiness, agricultural mechanics, aquaculture, biotechnology, food science, marine technology, natural resources, and plant science, (not all ASTE centers offer all the before mentioned programs). Similar to interdistrict magnet schools, several of these programs provide opportunities for students to receive college credit in high school. The ASTE schools in Bloomfield, Glastonbury and Suffield are an option for students entering 9th grade.

The ASTE schools are an option for students entering 9th grade. Students do not apply to an ASTE school through the RSCO application but must apply separately at portal.ct.gov/SDE/School-Choice/CT-School-Choice/Agricultural-Science-and-Technology-Education.

The application deadline for ASTE programs varies by school. Please refer to the school pages for a specific date.

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Located on the campus of Bloomfield High School, the Harris Agriscience Center provides educational opportunities in a variety of pathways in the fields of animal science, aquaculture, Natural Resource, Plant, and Power Structural and Technical systems for purposes of ensuring that students are competent, literate, and develop their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success for college and other career-related areas learned through the three-circle model academics FFA (Future Farmers of America), SAE (supervised agricultural experience). As a school we will continue to aspire for excellence in the 4 As: Academics, Athletics, Arts and Agri-Science.

**Clubs & Activities**
- Intramural/interscholastic athletics at Bloomfield High School, National Honor Society, National French and Spanish Honor Society, National FFA Organization, Model UN, Color Guard and Drill Team, music club and many more.

**Features & Accomplishments**
- Early College Experience (ECE) University of Connecticut, Post University, Capital and Manchester Community College
- Built-in personalized learning and leadership development opportunities for all
- National FFA Student Leadership
- School-based entrepreneurship/research and supervised work-based planning
- Competitive athletic program at the Varsity and Jr. Varsity levels
- Designated Communities for Music Education, 2020 Unified Sports Award
- Rigorous curriculum, instruction and assessment
- Specialized course offerings in animal and aquaculture science, floral art, greenhouse management/horticulture, music, and Spanish composition, exploring the equine industry and equine facility design and operations, animal veterinary science, apiculture, aquaculture science, botany, ecology, landscape design
- Built-in personalized learning and leadership development opportunities for all students
- MDC, DEEP, and university, college, and business partnerships

**Students interested in this ASTE Program must apply separately at**


**Applications are due by April 1, 2023.**
The Glastonbury Regional AgriScience & Technology Center is a comprehensive high school program for grades 9–12. It is a part of Glastonbury High School, one of Connecticut’s outstanding academic institutions. GHS AgriScience students enroll in courses at various levels including levels I and II, honors, advanced placement, and college preparatory courses. Full-time graduates receive their diploma from Glastonbury High School.

**Features**
Rigorous program of academics, honors, and advanced placement courses

**Activities & Clubs**
- After-school academic support
- Many opportunities for after-school activities in athletics, music, drama, arts and clubs

**GHS AgSci Open Houses**
Join us on one of these dates to check out our program and meet the GHS AgSci family!

**November 12, 2022,**
9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
(Snow date: November 19, 2022)

**November 30, 2022,**
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
(Snow date: December 7, 2022)

Students interested in this ASTE Program must apply separately at portal.ct.gov/SDE/School-Choice/CT-School-Choice/Agricultural-Science-and-Technology-Education. Applications are due by December 12, 2022.
The Suffield Regional Agriscience Program offers students throughout the Greater Hartford region a rigorous program of studies that prepares them for rewarding careers in agriscience disciplines.

Located at the accredited Suffield High School, a comprehensive high school program for grades 9-12, the Agriscience Center prepares students for college, business, and the work force with honors, academic and advanced placement courses, athletics, music, drama, and art programs.

Features

- **THE AgSTEM Extension program:**
  The Ag STEM Extension program at Suffield High School is designed to help students build their foundational skills in SAE, expand on their interests from classroom experiences, and to help with the care and maintenance of the agriscience center in exchange for SAE hours.
  This program benefits all students, regardless of their SAE project by building relationships, developing career skills, and exploring interests only touched on in the agriscience classroom.

- Rigorous program of academic, honors and advanced placement courses

Activities & Clubs

- After-school academic support
- After-school activities in athletics, music, drama, art, and clubs
- Intramural/Interscholastic athletics

Students interested in this ASTE Program must apply separately at portal.ct.gov/SDE/School-Choice/CT-School-Choice/ Agricultural-Science-and-Technology-Education.

Applications are due by December 8, 2022.
The Connecticut State Department of Education is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer.