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Connecticut State Department of Education and the Regional School Choice Office

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New Schools and Opportunities Lottery Application Deadline Monday, April 29, 2013

(HARTFORD, CT) – **Now is the time to apply.** There is less than one week for parents, grandparents, and guardians to submit applications for available seats in eight (8) schools through the Regional School Choice Office’s (RSCO’s) New Schools and Opportunities Lottery.

As part of the New Schools and Opportunities (NSO) Lottery, three new schools will open their doors to students in the fall. Five existing schools are also expanding their grade offerings for the 2013-2014 school year. Before submitting an NSO Lottery application, families should note specific grades where seats are available and visit www.choiceeducation.com for latest information on school locations:

NEW SCHOOLS		
	GRADES AVAILABLE IN NSO LOTTERY	
	HARTFORD RESIDENTS	SUBURBAN (NON-HARTFORD)
ACADEMY OF AEROSPACE AND ENGINEERING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	PK3, PK4, K	PK3, PK4, K
HARTFORD PRE-KINDERGARTEN MAGNET SCHOOL	PK3, PK4	PK3, PK4
MONTESSORI MAGNET AT MOYLAN SCHOOL* *LOCATION WILL CHANGE, MONTESSORI PROGRAM WILL BE AT DIFFERENT SITE FOR 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR	PK3, PK4	PK3, PK4, K, 1, 2, 3
EXISTING SCHOOLS		
	GRADES AVAILABLE IN NSO LOTTERY	
	HARTFORD RESIDENTS	SUBURBAN (NON-HARTFORD)
BETANCES EARLY READING LAB SCHOOL	NA	PK3, PK4, K, 1
BETANCES STEM MAGNET SCHOOL	NA	4, 5
BREAKTHROUGH II MAGNET SCHOOL	NA	PK3, PK4, K, 1, 2, 3, 4
HARTFORD JOURNALISM AND MEDIA MAGNET SCHOOL	9	9
TWO RIVERS MAGNET MIDDLE SCHOOL	6	NA

Applying to the NSO Lottery

Those interested must submit NSO Lottery applications by **Monday, April 29, 2013**. Families may apply online by visiting the RSCO website at www.choiceeducation.org and clicking on the “Apply Now” link in the orange box with the headline “Make it a GO with the New Schools and Opportunities Lottery.”

Families may also visit RSCO’s Parent Information Center, open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and located at 165 Capitol Avenue, Room 270, in Hartford, to submit an application and have questions answered by RSCO staff. The Parent Information Center will be open for extended hours, until 6:00 p.m., on Monday, April 29, 2013.

Families with questions about the NSO Lottery application process should visit or call the Parent Information Center at 860.713.6990. Families may also obtain NSO Lottery information and paper applications at the following community locations, where computers and free assistance are available (families should call first):

Blackwell Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church

680-682 Blue Hills Avenue, Hartford (Phone: 860-634-9092)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Hartford, Asylum Hill Unit

170 Sigourney Street, Hartford (Phone: 860-929-7691)

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Hartford, Institute for the Hispanic Family

45 Wadsworth Street, Hartford (Phone: 860-527-1124)

Center for Urban Research, Education and Training (CURET), Inc.

1443 Albany Avenue, Hartford (Phone: 860-247-0123)

Community Renewal Team

330 Market Street and 555 Windsor Street, Hartford (Phone: 860-761-7948)

Hartford Areas Rally Together

385 Washington Street, Hartford (Phone: 860-525-3449)

Hartford Communities That Care, Inc.

2550 Main Street, Hartford (Phone: 860-724-1223)

Hartford Public Library – All Branches

Check online at www.hplct.org (Main Branch/500 Main Street Phone: 860-695-6328)

Imagineers, LLC

635 Farmington Avenue, Hartford (Phone: 860-768-3350)

Literacy Volunteers of Greater Hartford

30 Arbor Street, Hartford (Phone: 860-233-3853)

Stewart Community Center (Fair Share North Hartford)

127 Martin Street, Hartford (Phone: 860-249-4182)

The Village for Children and Families

331 Wethersfield Avenue, 105 Spring Street, and 1680 Albany Avenue, Hartford (Phone: 860-236-4511)

About the Greater Hartford Regional School Choice Office

The Regional School Choice Office provides information, technical assistance, and support to help families explore and make informed choices about the personalized learning and growth opportunities available to their children in the Greater Hartford region. For more information, please visit us online at www.choiceeducation.org.

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