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Backgrounder

HARTFORD – A SMART CHOICE FOR LEARNING

From K-12 to graduate and postgraduate courses, the Hartford region offers unparalleled options for education. Connecticut students are at the head of the class with leading standardized test scores in reading, writing and arithmetic; and the state has the highest high school completion rates in the country.

The Knowledge Corridor, stretching from the Hartford region to Western Massachusetts, is home to 1.6 million people, as well as 32 higher education institutions, including Trinity College, the University of Hartford, the University of Connecticut, Amherst College and the University of Massachusetts. The region is home to nationally and internationally recognized postgraduate institutions such as Rensselaer at Hartford, Hartford Seminary, Quinnipiac University, Wesleyan University and Capital Community Technical College.

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GRADUATE STUDIES

Capital Community Technical College
<http://webster.comnet.edu/>

Central Connecticut State University
www.ccsu.edu

Hartford Seminary
www.hartsem.edu

Rensselaer at Hartford
www.rh.edu

Saint Joseph College
www.sjc.edu

Trinity College
www.trincoll.edu/depts/gradstud

University of Connecticut
<http://catalog.grad.uconn.edu>

University of Hartford
www.hartford.edu/academics/grad.asp

Wesleyan University
www.wesleyan.edu/

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Central Connecticut State University
www.ccsu.edu

Charter Oak State College
www.cosc.edu

Hartford College for Women
<http://uhaweb.hartford.edu/hcw>

Saint Joseph College
www.sjc.edu

Trinity College
www.trincoll.edu/pub

University of Connecticut
www.uconn.edu

University of Hartford
www.hartford.edu

COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Asnuntuck Community College
www.acc.commnet.edu

Capital Community College
<http://webster.commnet.edu>

Manchester Community College
www.mcc.commnet.edu

Tunxis Community College
<http://tunxis.commnet.edu>

ADULT CONTINUING EDUCATION

Connecticut School of Broadcasting
www.800tvradio.com/csb.asp

Connecticut School of Broadcasting, with classrooms and studio facilities, provides hands-on training that can open the door to diverse opportunities in communications. Through the "Learn-by-Doing" philosophy, the school exposes students to the tools of broadcasting and communications under the direction of broadcast professionals.

Connecticut Culinary Institute
www.ctculinary.com

On a campus just outside Hartford, the institute exposes culinary students to the best aspects of a classical education with a formal culinary apprenticeship.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING

Cheney Satellite Practical Nurse Education Program
www.cttech.org/enfield/index.htm

Cheney Vocational Technical School
www.cttech.org/CHENEY/index.htm

Prince Regional Vocational Technical School
www.cttech.org/PRINCE/index.htm

MAGNET SCHOOLS

Magnet schools give parents and guardians the opportunity to choose quality programs throughout the Hartford region for their children. As the name implies, magnet schools "attract" students with their particular focus or theme. These public schools of choice allow students to focus on their particular talents or interests while studying a challenging core curriculum of languages, arts, mathematics, science and social studies. More details are available at www.crec.org and at www.hartfordschools.org.

Breakthrough Magnet School

121 Cornwall St, Hartford
860-695-5700

East Hartford/Glastonbury Elementary Magnet School

305 May Rd., East Hartford
860-622-5400

Greater Hartford Academy of Math & Science

15 Vernon St., Hartford
860-757-6316

Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts

15 Vernon St., Hartford
860-757-6385

Greater Hartford Classical Magnet School

85 Woodland St., Hartford
860-695-9100

Hartford Magnet Middle School

53 Vernon St., Hartford
860-757-6201

Metropolitan Learning Center

1551 Blue Hills Ave., Bloomfield
860-242-7834

Montessori Magnet School

1460 Broad St., Hartford
860-757-6100

Noah Webster Microsociety Magnet School

5 Cone St., Hartford
860-695-5380

Pathways to Technology Magnet School

184 Windsor Ave., Windsor
860-695-9450

Simpson-Waverly Classical Magnet School

55 Waverly St., Hartford
860-695-5160

Sports and Medical Science Academy

275 Asylum St., Hartford
860-695-6900

Two Rivers Magnet Middle School

337 East River Drive, East Hartford
860-290-5320

University High School for Science and Engineering

30 Elizabeth St., Hartford
860-695-9020

University of Hartford Magnet School

196 Bloomfield Ave., West Hartford
860-236-2899

K-12 HARTFORD AND STATEWIDE

Capitol Region Education Council (CREC)

www.crec.org/index.shtml

CREC is a regional educational service center that was created to improve the quality of public education and to turn educational ideas and needs into opportunities and programs. Through CREC, school systems can work collaboratively to meet shared educational needs.

Hartford Public Schools

www.hartfordschools.org

Access links to and comprehensive information about Hartford public schools, the Board of Education, Superintendent's Office and employment opportunities.

Connecticut State Department of Education

www.state.ct.us/sde

Get important news and information about all of Connecticut's schools.

Connecticut School Profiles

www.csde.state.ct.us/public/der/ssp/index.htm

See how each school district compares statewide and find out the initiatives that each school district is undergoing to improve students' educational experiences.

The Learning Corridor

www.learningcorridor.org

The Learning Corridor's 16-acre campus is home to the Montessori Magnet School, Hartford Magnet Middle School and two regional high school programs – the Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts and the Greater Hartford Academy of Math and Science.

LIBRARIES

Hartford Public Library

www.hplct.org

Scan through the library's collection and services, access online library resources and check what special events are happening at the Hartford Public Library located on Main Street in Hartford.

Connecticut Library Consortium

www.ctlibrarians.org

Through this consortium, Connecticut libraries can leverage the purchasing of library books, non-print media and supplies. Job listing services also are available.

Public Library Directory

www.cslib.org/cln/publib.htm

Find a library or a book in Connecticut through this statewide resource.

Connecticut State Library

www.cslib.org

Comprehensive details on Connecticut's state government, history and heritage are made available through the expansive resources and collections of the state library.

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