



Story and Photo Opportunity

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**Event:** Connecticut Coalition for Magnet Schools Press Conference  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 3, 2015  
**Time:** 11 a.m.  
**Location:** Legislative Office Building, Room 1D  
300 Capitol Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06106

**Summary:**

The Connecticut Coalition for Magnet Schools will hold a press conference on February 3, 2015 to announce its legislative priorities for 2015.

The newly-formed coalition is comprised of families and community members from throughout Connecticut, and it is working with local organizations, school districts, and associations to ensure that magnet schools have the funding needed to continue to provide high-quality teachers and essential programs in diverse magnet school communities. The group is also working to ensure that all students have equal access to magnet schools and that magnet school programs continue to serve a diverse population of students.

Speakers at the press conference will include:

- Eileen Howley, Executive Director of LEARN
- Bruce E. Douglas, Executive Director of CREC
- Zoë Lerman, a Durham resident and student at the Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts
- Mia Flowers, a Hamden resident and student at Wintergreen Interdistrict Magnet School
- Camille Bajjo, Hartford resident and parent at Academy of Aerospace and Engineering Elementary School

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The **Connecticut Coalition for Magnet Schools** is made up of families and community members from throughout Connecticut. In partnership with local organizations and associations, the coalition is working to: ensure that magnet schools have sustainable funding in order to continue to provide high-quality teachers and essential programs; ensure that all students have equal access to magnet schools; and ensure that magnet school programs continue to serve a diverse population of students.

