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## **MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR CHILD'S SUCCESS State Department of Education offers additional seats in 11 schools Application Deadline: Friday, May 25, 2012**

(HARTFORD, CT) - The Connecticut State Department of Education's Regional School Choice Office (RSCO) wants families in the Greater Hartford region to know that they have another opportunity to apply for available seats in 11 schools for the 2012-13 school year.

RSCO's New Schools and Opportunities (NSO) Lottery is now accepting applications to fill seats in six new schools that will open their doors to students in August. Five existing magnet schools are also expanding their grade offerings for 2012-13.

"Parents and students are clearly interested in pursuing these quality public school options," said Commissioner of Education Stefan Pryor. "Building additional capacity in new and existing magnet schools means growing parent and student access to these models."

Interested families must submit NSO Lottery applications to RSCO by **Friday, May 25, 2012**. Parents may submit applications online at [www.choiceeducation.org](http://www.choiceeducation.org) or call RSCO at 860-713-6990 to request a paper application.

To learn more about each school, interested parents should visit RSCO's website at [www.choiceeducation.org](http://www.choiceeducation.org) and/or call the RSCO's Parent Information Center at 860-713-6990 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

All grades are not available in all schools. Before submitting a lottery application, parents should note specific grades listed in the following charts:

NEW SCHOOLS	
New School	Grades Available in NSO Lottery
Betances Early Reading Lab School (PK4-3)	PK4, K, and 1, 2, 3
Betances STEM School (4-8)	Grade 4 only
Breakthrough II (PK3-6)	PK3, PK4, K, 1, 2, 3, 4
Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts (GHAA)/Elementary (PK3-12)	PK3, PK4, and K
Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts (GHAA)/Middle (6-12)	Grades 6, 7, and 8
Two Rivers Magnet High School (9-12)	Grade 9 only
EXISTING MAGNET SCHOOLS	
Existing School	Grades Available in NSO Lottery
Academy of Aerospace and Engineering (6-12)	Grade 6 only
Public Safety Academy (6-12)	Grade 6 only
Two Rivers Middle School (6-8)	Grade 6 only
Great Path Academy (9-12)	Grade 9 only
R.J. Kinsella Magnet School of Performing Arts (PK4-12)	Grade 9 only

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