



# ARE YOU LOOKING FOR AN AFFORDABLE PRESCHOOL OPTION IN COLCHESTER?

**Our School Readiness Program is offering grant subsidized quality preschool for the 2023-2024 school year. We are seeking:**

- **Children who are residents of Colchester**
- **Families who want a 5 day a week program**
- **Families who may find it difficult to pay for preschool**

Spaces are available in the following programs through School Readiness at a reduced cost to families:

Program and Location	CASTLE 396 Halls Hill Rd	Colchester Early Childhood Program @ Colchester Elementary School, 315 Halls Hill Rd	<b>**New**</b> Town and Country Early Learning Center 111 Norwich Ave
Hours	School Day Program 9 am to 3 pm No summer programming  5 days Monday through Friday	Part Day Program AM 8:35-11:05 or PM 12:35-3:05 No summer programming 5 days; Monday through Friday	Full Day Program 6:30 am to 6:00 pm  5 days Monday through Friday 50 weeks per year
Class Size	12-16 Children 2 Teachers	18-20 Children 1-2 Teachers plus 2 paraprofessionals	10 Children 1 Teacher
Fees	Based on sliding scale and your annual GROSS income. Income will be verified if selected. To get an estimate, click on Family Fee Calculator in the top left and then the purple "Open Family Fee Calculator" button at: <a href="http://ecereporter.oec.ct.gov">ecereporter.oec.ct.gov</a> **Part-day CECP fee capped at district tuition.		
Eligibility	Ages 2 years 8 mo through 5 year old children NOT eligible for Kindergarten	Ages 3, 4, and 5 year old children NOT eligible for Kindergarten	Ages 2 years 8 mo through 5 year old children NOT eligible for Kindergarten
Income Guidelines	ALL families may apply. Priority is given to those families that fall under 75% of the State Median Income; for example, \$95,581 for a family of 4. If spaces remain, families with higher incomes are also eligible.		**Anticipated opening of July 5, 2023. Due to construction, start date is not guaranteed.**

## What Quality Preschools Offer:

- **Group experiences that teach sharing, waiting, and turn-taking.**
- **Opportunities to strengthen socialization skills.**
- **Activities that build a child's confidence.**
- **Time to practice separation from caregivers.**
- **Developmentally appropriate lessons that develop pre-reading skills, richer vocabularies, and stronger basic math skills.**



**Scan the QR code to complete a School Readiness Application.**



**★ Apply Now ★**

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