

## ADULT PROGRAMS

### LEADERSHIP AND LEARNING

- **Administrator Evaluation and Support System Training** – training to acquaint administrators and central office personnel with the key requirements and components of the state’s administrator evaluation process
- **Workshops and Webinars** – ongoing in-person and virtual professional learning opportunities aligned with the needs and interests of CT’s school leaders
- **Aspiring Leaders Academies** – professional learning series focused on building leadership capacity at the teacher-leader level
- **Principal and Assistant Principal Networking** – regular forums that connect leaders of schools from pre-K through grade eight to problem-solve issues, share and celebrate successes, swap resources and best practices, and discuss current challenges and “hot topics”
- **Equity in Education Series** – multi-session series on effective school leadership as it relates to diversity, equity, and inclusion



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### RECOGNITION

- **Principal/Assistant Principal of the Year Awards** – recognition of individual school leaders who have demonstrated excellent instructional leadership, commitment to staff and students, service to their communities, and contributions to the overall profession of educational administration. One award is given at each level: elementary, middle, and high school
- **William Cieslukowski First Year Principal Awards** – recognition of building principals whose instructional leadership, innovative practices, and managerial skills have positively impacted the school/district in their first year of school administration. One award is given at each level: elementary, middle, and high school
- **Distinguished Friend of Education Awards** – recognition of an individual and an organization/corporation from outside the field of education that has made significant contributions toward the advancement of education in Connecticut.
- **Educator of the Year Awards** – recognition of classroom teachers who demonstrate excellence in instruction, leadership in the profession, and dedicated service to students, staff, and parents. One award is given at each level: elementary, middle, and high school.
- **School of the Year Awards** – recognition of schools demonstrating high levels of success in areas such as personalized learning, school climate, parent and community involvement, and extra-curricular activities. Awards are given at the elementary and middle levels only
- **Creativity and Innovation Award (K-12)** – recognition of individuals or programs that encourage inquiry and innovation and produce 21st-century outcomes for students
- **Positive School Climate Practices Certification (K-12)** – recognition of schools demonstrating continued commitment to promoting, enhancing, and sustaining a positive school climate



## STUDENT PROGRAMS

### LEADERSHIP AND LEARNING

- **Student Leadership Conferences (K-12)** – annual conferences which engage elementary, middle and high school students in hands-on, age-appropriate activities to build leadership, communication, problem-solving, and decision-making skills.
- **Men of Color in Leadership Conference** (middle and high) – leadership conference specifically designed for young men of color
- **Women in Leadership Conference** (middle and high) – focuses on how dynamic individual leadership builds community and shared purpose and contributes to positive growth and change in our schools and communities.
- **Little Leaders Conferences** (early elementary grades) – mini-conferences involving interactive lessons designed to introduce leadership skill development to young students
- **Arts in the Middle Conference** (middle) – students develop their artistic abilities within the context of challenging, hands-on workshops involving both traditional and non-traditional artistic media



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### STUDENT ACTIVITIES

- **Debate** (middle & high)-- Interscholastic debate tournaments hosted throughout the school year and culminating in a statewide tournament
- **Robotics** (high) –hosted in partnership with NE FIRST, a statewide competition of student-designed and -built robots combining the excitement of the sport with the rigors of science and technology
- **Unified Sports** (K-12) – organized sports events combining individuals with and without intellectual disabilities (or other developmental delays)
- **Class Act Schools** (high) – initiative designed to empower and enable schools, and particularly students, to promote, encourage, and monitor sportsmanship within their athletic departments
- **Esports** (high)-- competitive team-based video games that bring players together in high-skill environments to play against opposing teams

### RECOGNITION

- **Scholar-Leader Banquet** – an annual recognition dinner to honor middle school students who have demonstrated outstanding scholarship and leadership in their schools and communities
- **Scholar-Athlete Banquet** – an annual recognition dinner to honor high school seniors whose academic and athletic careers have been exemplary and whose personal standards and achievements are a model to others
- **High School Arts Banquet** – an annual recognition event to celebrate high school seniors who excel in the performing and/or visual arts
- **Elementary Celebration of the Arts** – an annual recognition event to celebrate elementary students who demonstrate outstanding ability in the performing or visual arts and maintain a high level of citizenship and cooperative skills
- **Arthur Director Leadership Award** – recognition of schools that show superior application of policies and of practices that foster student leadership skills