

**PROGRAMS &  
SERVICES CATALOG  
2017-2018**

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# From the Executive Director



*Paula M. Colen, Executive Director*

This will be my final Programs and Services catalog. I'll be retiring this fall after 12 exciting, challenging years as EASTCONN's executive director. I've been an educator with EASTCONN since its inception in 1980, and have watched our programs and services evolve to meet the changing education needs of all northeastern Connecticut's schools and communities. Looking ahead, EASTCONN will continue to assist learners across our region under the leadership of Gary S. Mala, who brings 33 years of education experience to his new role as EASTCONN's next Executive Director. I know you'll welcome him to our community.

As you start the school year, I hope you'll take time to read through this 2017-2018 Programs & Services catalog. Of note, we have just released three new EASTCONN-developed technology products, listed on page 26, which include eObserve, an online observation tool; Measuresuccess.org, a collaborative online platform for professional learning communities; and Manage My Applicants, a cutting-edge web-based application for grant and contest submissions. Feeling overwhelmed by the many technology options available to you? Join us for a Technology Professional Development workshop or Lunch 'n' Learn (page 25) and let our technology and IT experts help.

Our programs and services are organized here under each of EASTCONN's six divisions, but you can also find them listed alphabetically in the Index on pages 28 and 29.

Another option? Visit EASTCONN's website at [www.eastconn.org](http://www.eastconn.org) and click on All Services A-Z.

EASTCONN has been your partner in education for 37 years. We're here to help you find solutions to your education needs. Call us, and let's get the conversation started. As always, if we can't help, our pledge to you is that we'll find someone who can.

We look forward to hearing from you!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paula M. Colen". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Paula M. Colen  
Executive Director  
860-455-1565

***MISSION: EASTCONN will initiate, support and facilitate partnerships, collaborations and regional solutions that are responsive to the needs of all learners through exemplary programs, products and services.***

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EASTCONN is a public, non-profit Regional Educational Service Center that has been serving the education needs of northeastern Connecticut schools and communities since 1980.

# ADULT PROGRAMS

*EASTCONN promotes and supports lifelong learning for parents, workers and citizens of northeastern Connecticut. Whether it's high school completion, job training, or parenting support, our Adult Programs are designed to develop interests, increase abilities and expand options.*

*The following program and service descriptions are only a sampling of the many ways in which we can help you address your adult-student programming needs. Contact any of our staff, or call Richard Tariff, Director of EASTCONN Adult Programs, at 860-455-1562 or [rtariff@eastconn.org](mailto:rtariff@eastconn.org), to begin the conversation.*

## Adult Education & High School Completion

### ☀ American Citizenship Preparation

These classes prepare adults to pass the American Citizenship Test, with a special emphasis on questions used by the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS). Classes are provided free to residents of the 21 northeastern Connecticut towns that comprise EASTCONN's Adult Education consortium.

Kristin Hempel .....860-423-2591

### ☀ Employer Services

Local businesses can customize cost-effective training packages in literacy and English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL), customer service, Microsoft Office, or manufacturing that meet their workforce development needs. Training can be provided in the workplace or at a convenient EASTCONN adult education site.

Richard Tariff .....860-455-1562

Sandra Garcia.....860-455-1584

### ☀ English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL) Family Literacy

EASTCONN Adult Programs partners with Head Start to provide Family Literacy classes to eligible Windham families.

Kristin Hempel .....860-423-2591

### ☀ High School Completion

Adult Education offers three alternatives for completing a high school education. Our counselors can help adults determine which program is the best option. Choose from among the GED, the Adult High School Credit Diploma and the National External Diploma Program. Participants must be 17 or older.

Kristin Hempel .....860-423-2591

### ☀ IET (Integrated Education & Training)

IET is an innovative education model that integrates basic-skills adult education with technical instruction. The curriculum is jointly designed by certified adult education instructors and specialists in the technical field. Classes are co-taught by adult education and technical training instructors. EASTCONN's IET program helps students improve their English language skills, while

earning their GED and nationally recognized credential like Microsoft Office Specialist or the National Retail Foundation's Customer Service certificate.

Suzanne Cimoichowski.....860-455-1596

### ☀ JET (Jobs, Employment & Training) for 17-24-year-olds

Get a JET start on your future! Explore career options and participate in paid internships and on-the-job training. Improve your work readiness skills and learn about resume writing, dressing for success, interview techniques and more. Education and training classes will help you complete your high school diploma and/or earn a nationally recognized Customer Service credential.

Suzanne Cimoichowski.....860-455-1596



### ☀ Life Skills & Basic Skills Instruction

Intended for adults who are at least 17, who are no longer enrolled in high school and who lack a high school diploma, this free skills-enhancement program will help students improve their math, reading and writing skills. The program offers a free evaluation, individual counseling to create a customized learning plan and convenient day/evening classes. The ultimate goal is to help students obtain a high school diploma and choose a vocation.

Kristin Hempel .....860-423-2591

### ☀ Non-Traditional Learner Program

EASTCONN provides non-traditional clients with classes to prepare them for the GED exam. Participants also develop problem-solving, decision-making and other critical-thinking skills.

Kristin Hempel .....860-423-2591



**Regional Management of Mandated Adult Education Programs**

We manage all aspects of your mandated adult education programs, including grant submission, fiscal management, participant recruitment, assessment services, instructional services, post-program assessment and reporting. Regional cost-sharing has expanded the number of adult education offerings that are available.

Richard Tariff .....860-455-1562

**Transitions for 21st Century Careers**

This course is a prerequisite for graduation from our Credit Diploma Program, but can be audited by anyone in our Adult Education Program. Throughout the 10-week course, students will complete career exploration and declare a career pathway. Those students who identify an interest in military, entrepreneurship or immediate employment will develop individualized career plans, while those interested in post-secondary education or training will develop a transitions portfolio. All students complete a work-based learning opportunity.

Kristin Hempel .....860-423-2591

**Transitions to Post-Secondary Education**

This program helps guide students, who will be completing one of EASTCONN's high school programs (the GED Diploma, the Adult High School Credit Diploma or the National External Diploma program), as they transition into a variety of post-secondary education and training programs.

Kristin Hempel .....860-423-2591

**Volunteer Literacy Tutoring Program**

Volunteer tutors work with adult learners on basic reading, writing, math or English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL) skills. Tutoring, provided free of charge, can be on a one-to-one basis or in a classroom setting. Tutoring is offered at multiple sites in EASTCONN-region towns. Volunteers are encouraged to apply.

Robinson Camacho .....860-423-2591

**Community Education**

**Community Education**

Non-credit, recreational, personal improvement and career advancement courses are offered at nearby community sites for learners of all ages. A selection of reasonably priced courses are available year-round. Enrichment trips with coach bus transportation are offered with multiple, convenient pick-up sites throughout the region.

Sandra Garcia.....860-455-1584

**Employment & Training Programs**

**Customer Service Academy**

Course participants will prepare for the nationally recognized National Retail Foundation's Customer Service and Sales credential. This credential will help entry-level sales and service associates learn skills related to front line work in retail (or any industry that values customer service and sales skills). Individuals taking the course will learn about products and services; assessing and meeting customer needs; preparing for selling, gaining customer commitment and closing the sale; store operations and inventory control; the process of merchandising; the importance of common employability skills; and how to craft a polished resume.

Sandra Garcia.....860-455-1584

**Get Back to Work through American Job Center East**

With locations in both Danielson and Willimantic, this program provides employment assistance for low income adults and laid-off workers. Assistance includes employment/career guidance, job search information, potential training funding for eligible applicants and an ongoing connection to American Job Center services.

Andrea Messenger.....860-455-1622

**Health Careers Advancement Program**

Health Profession Opportunity Grants (HPOG) provide opportunities for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients and other low-income individuals to enter and advance along four health care career pathways, including patient care and nursing, emergency medicine, community health and patient navigation, and health information management. Participants increase their employability in health careers through a series of preparatory programs that include classes in work readiness, skills-building, job training and community college. Participants are supported by intensive case management and job placement assistance.

Andrea Messenger.....860-455-1622

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Suzanne Cimochoowski.....860-455-1596

## ✿ Jobs First Employment Services (JFES) Case Management

We oversee case management services for Temporary Family Assistance (TFA) clients at the Eastern Connecticut Workforce Investment Board's American Job Center locations in Danielson and Willimantic.

Suzanne Cimochoowski.....860-455-1596

## ✿ Technology Academy

This Workforce Innovation and Opportunities-approved training program prepares participants for the Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) 2013 certification with endorsements in PowerPoint, Word, Outlook and Excel. MOS is a nationally recognized Information Technology (IT) credential.

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Kristin Hempel .....860-423-2591

## English Language Learner Services



## ✿ English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL) Instruction

Our Adult Education certified instructors provide free instruction for non-English-speaking adults who are 17 and older. Beginner- to intermediate-level classes are available. Daytime and evening classes are offered at convenient locations throughout northeastern Connecticut.

Kristin Hempel .....860-423-2591

## ✿ Volunteer Literacy Tutoring Program

Volunteer tutors work with adult learners on basic reading, writing, math or English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL) skills. Tutoring, provided free of charge, can be on a one-to-one basis or in a classroom setting. Tutoring is offered at multiple sites in EASTCONN-region towns. Adults interested in volunteering are encouraged to apply.

Robinson Camacho .....860-423-2591

## Parent & Family Programs

### ✿ Early Childhood Parent Education/Parenting Workshops

Workshops on a range of topics are available to help parents increase their parenting skills, improve their knowledge of children's growth and development, and learn how to support learning. Early childhood specialists are available to provide regional or on-site training.

Diane Gozemba. ....860-455-1518

### ✿ English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL) Family Literacy

EASTCONN Adult Programs partners with Head Start to provide Family Literacy classes to eligible Windham families.

Kristin Hempel .....860-423-2591

# EARLY CHILDHOOD INITIATIVES

EASTCONN works with parents, communities and schools to ensure that all children enter school ready to succeed. EASTCONN can design and implement high-quality, early-childhood education programs and services. We can also assist with data collection, planning and policy development, facilitation and community engagement, workshops for parents and professionals, facilities consultation, and program design and evaluation.

The following program and services descriptions are only a sampling of the many ways in which we can help you address your early childhood programming needs. Contact any of our staff, or call Diane Gozemba, Director of Early Childhood Initiatives, at 860-455-1518 or [dgozemba@eastconn.org](mailto:dgozemba@eastconn.org), to begin the conversation.

## Early Childhood Consultation

### ☼ Accreditation Quality Improvement System (AQIS)

The Connecticut Accreditation Quality Improvement System (AQIS) is an established resource system of regional teams providing critical leadership and support for the achievement of quality standards and excellence in early childhood programs. AQIS services include overviews of the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Program Standards and Accreditation Performance Criteria; technical assistance with the process of accreditation; and individualized support for programs engaged in the self-study.

Sheri Lambert .....860-455-1585

### ☼ Connecticut Early Learning & Development Standards (CT ELDS)

Training and consultation are available for your staff on curriculum and assessment (with an emphasis on linking teaching to curriculum and assessment) and aligning preschool curricula with that of the primary grades, including the Connecticut Core Standards. Training on the Connecticut Early Learning and Development Standards and Assessment Frameworks is also available.

Diane Gozemba .....860-455-1518

### ☼ Early Childhood Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS)

Our certified CLASS staff are available to observe, record and provide feedback for your preK classrooms on the dimensions of emotional support, classroom organization and instructional support. CLASS has scientifically identified specific early experiences that children need in order to succeed in school and life. It has organized these experiences into teacher classroom behaviors that are observable and that support high-quality care and education. The CLASS tool provides data for program planning and classroom support systems.

Diane Gozemba .....860-455-1518

### ☼ Early Childhood Council Facilitation & Strategic Planning

EASTCONN staff with experience in community collaboration, early childhood policy and practice, as well as comprehensive services, will work with your community to support the development and implementation of an Early Childhood Council. Our staff can also serve as your school readiness liaison to the Connecticut Office of Early Childhood, or fulfill the role of school readiness monitor for your state-funded program. We can help you develop a strategic plan for increasing your capacity and improving the quality of your early childhood services. In addition, our expert staff can assist your program with grant-writing services.

Diane Gozemba .....860-455-1518

### ☼ Early Childhood Program Monitoring & Evaluation

Our early childhood specialists can help to create or improve early childhood programs, birth through grade 3. Consultation can include program and curriculum design, as well as facility and learning environment design and evaluation.

Diane Gozemba .....860-455-1518

### ☼ Early Childhood Training, Consultation & Coaching

Early childhood specialists provide a range of professional development services customized to meet your program needs. Professional development related to curriculum, teaching and assessment, and learning environments, is directly connected to state and national standards. On-site training and coaching is aimed at accomplishing program improvement goals that lead to improved child outcomes.

Diane Gozemba .....860-455-1518

### ☼ Executive Function Skills

The lack of self-regulation in children is cited as an increasing problem in schools today. Behavioral and academic issues often result from underlying problems with executive function skills. EASTCONN staff can work with school districts to increase the executive function skills of preschool through grade 1 students. We can provide training and on-site coaching to assist teachers in implementing strategies to support children's self-regulation, while increasing their literacy and math skills.

Elizabeth Aschenbrenner.....860-455-1518



### ☀ Language & Literacy Assessment Practices

EASTCONN staff will work with your school district to review its current practices in language and literacy assessments so they align with critical, grade-level reading skills and Connecticut Core Standards for kindergarten through second grade.

Diane Gozemba .....860-455-1518

### ☀ NAEYC Accreditation Consultation

Our expert Early Childhood staff will provide information, consultation and training to preschool and kindergarten programs that want to pursue accreditation by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

Sheri Lambert .....860-455-1585

### ☀ PreK-Grade 3 Alignment

EASTCONN staff facilitate a review of components of aligned preK-grade 3 structures and components that address the alignment of standards, instruction, assessment, family engagement and transitions, using a research-based tool. Staff will work with your local school, district or community team to develop an improvement plan.

Elizabeth Aschenbrenner.....860-455-1501

### ☀ Support for Young Dual-Language & English Learners

Professional learning opportunities, including training and on-site consultation, are available to support the language development of dual-language and English learners in the early years and primary grades.

Diane Gozemba .....860-455-1518

### ☀ Transition Planning: Preschool-to-Kindergarten

Early childhood specialists offer consultation to communities and schools regarding best practices for transitioning children into kindergarten. By facilitating a broad-based group, we can assist communities and schools in developing comprehensive transition plans that support successful, positive experiences for children and families.

Diane Gozemba .....860-455-1518

## Early Childhood Materials & Products

### ☀ Connecticut Preschool Assessment Framework (CTPAF) Web-Based Software

This reasonably priced, Web-based application is available for teachers and program directors who use the Connecticut Preschool Assessment Framework (CTPAF). Teacher-friendly and secure, this database eliminates the need for handwritten reports and allows teachers and administrators to view individual, classroom and program results.

Diane Gozemba .....860-455-1518

## Programs for Young Children & Families

### ☀ Birth-to-Three Program

Early intervention services are provided in the home or community, in conjunction with families, for young children identified with disabilities. Services include coaching intervention, parenting support, referrals, collaboration with other providers/services, and transition to the school system when a child turns 3.

Diane Gozemba .....860-455-1518

### ☀ Early Childhood Parent Education/Parenting Workshops

Workshops on a range of topics are available to help parents increase their parenting skills, improve their knowledge of children's growth and development, and learn how to support learning. Early childhood specialists are available to provide regional or on-site training.

Diane Gozemba .....860-455-1518

### ☀ Early Head Start

EASTCONN administers the Early Head Start program in Windham and Tolland Counties. This program serves income-eligible pregnant women and children, birth to age 3, and their families, in home-visiting and center-based programs. EASTCONN offers Early Head Start in northeastern Connecticut, while Windham Public Schools provides the program for the greater Windham area. Stafford Public Schools offers a home-based program in the Stafford area. Benefits of Early Head Start include strong family involvement and support with health, dental, nutrition and mental health needs.

Diane Gozemba .....860-455-1518

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Kristin Hempel .....860-423-2591



### ☀ Head Start

EASTCONN administers Head Start, a comprehensive, federally funded program for income eligible preschool-age children and their families in Windham and Tolland counties. Center-based programs are available in Killingly, Plainfield, Putnam, Vernon and Windham. Head Start incorporates a strong family involvement component, ensuring that families are involved in their child's education. Other benefits of Head Start include support with health, dental, nutrition and mental health needs.

Diane Gozemba .....860-455-1518

# K-12 STUDENT SERVICES

*EASTCONN works with local school districts to ensure that all the children in our region, from kindergarten through high school and beyond, have access to a rich variety of learning opportunities. From in-district support services to regional schools, EASTCONN is a valuable, additional resource for students, parents and educators.*

*These programs and services descriptions are only a sampling of the many ways in which we can help you address your K-12 student programming needs. Contact any of our staff, or call Thomas Cronin, Director of Education Services, at 860-455-1512 or [tcronin@eastconn.org](mailto:tcronin@eastconn.org), to begin the conversation.*

## Academic Enrichment



### ☀ Adventure Program for Students

The EASTCONN Adventure Program can fast-track your student group into a cohesive and high-performing team. Plan a single or multi-day Adventure Program for your class, group, or team at your site or our facility in Hampton. Through our experiential activities, participants learn strategies to increase trust and develop communication, leadership and problem-solving skills.

Francine Piela.....860-455-1545  
Nancy Vitale.....860-455-1568

### ☀ EASTCONN Mobile STEM Laboratory

The EASTCONN Mobile STEM Lab is EASTCONN's newest STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) learning resource for teachers and students in Pre-K through grade 12. The Mobile STEM Lab travels to schools and recreational areas throughout Connecticut. On the Mobile STEM Lab, students enjoy access to sophisticated, state-of-the-art STEM equipment and engage in learning experiences that address Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) topics, such as watersheds, biodiversity, climate change, feeding the hungry, water waste treatment and robotics. The EASTCONN Mobile STEM Lab also provides training, summer camps and workshops for students and teachers.

Stacey Williams-Watson.....860-455-1508

### ☀ Interdistrict Program Design & Management

Every two years, EASTCONN collaborates with area school districts to respond to Connecticut State Department of Education-funded Interdistrict Grant opportunities designed to boost students' academic skills and increase their understanding and experience of diversity. If selected for funding, programs are limited to districts that have signed on to participate in that funding cycle. Contact us for more information about currently funded programs or new grant opportunities.

Nancy Vitale.....860-455-1568

## Clinical Day Treatment Services



### ☀ Clinical Day Treatment Programs, K-12

Offered at two conveniently located sites across northeastern Connecticut, EASTCONN's well-respected Clinical Day Treatment Program is designed for K-12 students who need a highly structured, supportive, therapeutic environment in order to achieve academic and behavioral success. The main goal of this program is to help students acquire the academic, social, emotional and behavioral skills necessary to successfully return to their local public schools, or a less restrictive environment. Our dedicated, caring staff offer individualized instruction with a multi-modality approach and high-interest materials. Four core components are at the heart of this program: educational services, clinical support services, vocational services and family/community involvement. Extended school-year services are available.

Eric Protulis.....860-786-2253  
Thomas Cronin.....860-455-1512

## Magnet Schools & Other Options for Students



### ACT Performing Arts Magnet School

ACT (Arts at the Capitol Theater) is a full-day, comprehensive, performing arts magnet high school located in the Capitol Theater in downtown Willimantic. The college preparatory curriculum is arts-integrated and standards-based with differentiated instruction to address individual learning needs. Students study with certified academic teachers and professional artists in this small, arts-focused learning community. Each grade is limited to approximately 35 students, making this an intimate, focused, artistic learning environment for students in grades 9-12. ACT's official partners are Eastford, Killingly, Norwich, Plainfield, Stafford, Windham and Woodstock; however, students also attend from other Connecticut towns.

Sarah Mallory.....860-465-5636  
Thomas Cronin.....860-455-1512

### Quinebaug Middle College (QMC) Magnet High School

Open since 2008, QMC is a public magnet high school for north-eastern Connecticut students in grades 9-12. Located on the beautiful, 68-acre Quinebaug Valley Community College Campus in Danielson, Connecticut, QMC enrolls students who are bright, capable, non-traditional learners who seek more control over their educational program. Students are expected to participate in and contribute to QMC's democratic learning community through daily advisory classes and weekly "Town Meetings." Students work in service to others through service learning and Senior Capstone programs. At QMC, every student learning program is customized to help students realize their full potential. QMC's official partners are Brooklyn, Killingly, Plainfield, Windham, Woodstock, Pomfret, Voluntown, Franklin, Thompson, and Eastford; however, students also attend from other Connecticut towns.

Gino LoRico.....860-465-5636  
Thomas Cronin.....860-455-1512

### Virtual High School

Virtual High School (VHS) offers more than 200 core and elective courses for middle and high school students that prepare them

for college and careers. Courses are available in all content areas, including a selection of Advanced Placement (AP) courses.  
Andrew DePalma .....860-455-1620

## Programs for Students with Developmental Disabilities

### Autism Spectrum Disorders & Other Developmental Disabilities Program, PreK-8

This program provides a highly structured, intensive and individualized classroom experience for children in Kindergarten through grade 12 with autism spectrum disorders and other developmental disabilities. Students are supported by a multidisciplinary team, which includes a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA), an occupational therapist, a speech-language pathologist, a physical therapist and assistive technology specialists. Parental/guardian involvement is a key component of the program. Extended school-year services are available. Individual student diagnostic evaluations and school-based consultation services are also provided.

Eric Protulis.....860-786-2253



### Regional Transition Services

Young adult students with disabilities, ages 18-21, receive a continuum of transition services through this program. Students prepare for adult responsibilities as they become more proficient in the activities of daily living and develop technology, community, vocational/career and/or college-readiness skills.

Eric Protulis.....860-786-2253

### Woodstock Academy Cooperative Program

This collaborative program between EASTCONN and Woodstock Academy provides services for high-school age students (grades 9-12) with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities on the campus of Woodstock Academy. EASTCONN special education personnel and Woodstock Academy educators work together with the Local Education Agency (LEA), individual students and

their families to facilitate growth in identified educational areas and transition planning.

Eric Protulis.....860-786-2253

## Psychological & Behavioral Consultation Services

### ☀ Neuropsychology Services

Psychological and Behavioral Consultation Services (PBCS) offers comprehensive neuropsychological evaluations to identify a child's cognitive strengths and weaknesses, determine how a child learns best, and outline appropriate and beneficial intervention strategies. Assessments are selected to address specific referral questions and could evaluate attention, memory, language, problem solving, visual skills, executive functioning and other cognitive functions. Results and recommendations are shared with the child's family and with the school team. Consultation services are also available to facilitate the implementation of recommendations and to consider how to proceed when a comprehensive evaluation may not be warranted.

Ravit Stein.....860-228-3240



### ☀ Psychological & Behavioral Consultation Services

Psychological and Behavioral Consultation Services is committed to assessment-driven intervention practices, using data-based decision-making to provide an effective continuum of support for students, teachers, teams, programs and systems. Assessment services include: Functional Behavior Assessment (FBA); psycho-educational assessment; ecological assessment/needs assessment; and diagnostic assessment. Services are delivered through a consultative framework and areas of support often include: School-wide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (SWPBIS); academic, behavioral and social-emotional interventions; and autism programming. EASTCONN is staffed with licensed psychologists, Board Certified Behavioral Analysts (BCBAs), school psychologists, special education teachers and behavior interventionists. Services are delivered to districts and schools across eastern Connecticut.

Ravit Stein.....860-228-3240

## Related Services

### ☀ Assistive Technology (AT) and Augmentative & Alternative Communication (AAC) Assessment

EASTCONN's AT and AAC specialists are available to assess your student's needs in their customary learning environment and identify potential AT and/or AAC solutions from low- to high-tech. AT and AAC solutions may support students' abilities to access, participate and progress in the general curriculum and may support maximal independence when performing tasks in their learning environment. Assessments require districts to complete EASTCONN's Student Information Guide for AT or AAC. The Assessment includes review of relevant educational records, consultation with the educational team, trial use of potential AT/AAC solutions, generation of an assessment report and presentation of the findings at a PPT.

Carol Magliocco .....860-228-3483

Amy Norton .....860-228-3486

### ☀ AT & AAC Consultation

EASTCONN's AT and AAC specialists are available to provide support in educational environments to ensure effective use and integration of AT and/or AAC tools. Consultative services are designed to provide observation and suggestions regarding the use of current AT and/or AAC tools. Consultation results range from improved effectiveness and integration of current AT and AAC tools to a recommendation for further staff or student training or evaluation to determine whether new AT or AAC solutions are needed.

Carol Magliocco .....860-228-3483

Amy Norton .....860-228-3486

### ☀ AT & AAC Consortium Membership

The Consortium is offered as the result of continued collaboration between EASTCONN and the Connecticut Tech Act Project. Consortium membership is offered to districts who utilize a minimum of four days of EASTCONN's AT and/or AAC services. Membership provides districts with a flexible, customizable package of both AT and AAC services to meet the needs of students and staff. Packages include assessment, training and consultation. Consortium members can access EASTCONN's continually expanding Assistive Technology Lending Library and are offered priority scheduling of services.

Carol Magliocco .....860-228-3483

Amy Norton .....860-228-3486

### ☀ AT & AAC Training

EASTCONN's AT and AAC specialists offer a range of AT and AAC training at EASTCONN's facilities or at a location of your choosing. Training can be focused on the individual needs of a

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student or a specific technology solution, such as programming an AAC device. Training may also be adapted to explore a broader range of solutions for academic needs, such as AT tools to support reading or writing.

Carol Magliocco .....860-228-3483

Amy Norton .....860-228-3486

### ☀ **Assistive Technology (AT) Lending Library**

AT Consortium member districts have full access to the Lending Library, a continually expanding collection of AT and Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) tools. AT and AAC tools can be used for student trial, ensuring that the device is a good match for the student, or as a loaner when a student device is in need of repair. District staff can borrow AT and AAC tools in order to familiarize themselves with these devices and their features. The AT Lending Library is housed at EASTCONN's Commerce Drive facility in Columbia. More information about the AT and AAC tools that are available in the library can be found on our website, [www.eastconn.org/at](http://www.eastconn.org/at).

Carol Magliocco .....860-228-3483

Amy Norton .....860-228-3486

Alicia Dinda .....860-228-3240



### ☀ **Occupational Therapy Services**

EASTCONN's occupational therapy practitioners address the needs of students in the areas of fine motor, visual motor integration, visual perception skills, sensory processing, prevocational and life skills. Our experienced occupational therapy staff provide screening, evaluation, direct intervention and consultative services in both therapeutic and classroom settings. Occupational therapy staff work as part of a student's educational team, providing services from pre-K to young adult transitional services.

Carol Magliocco .....860-228-3483

### ☀ **Physical Therapy Services**

EASTCONN's physical therapists address the gross motor, sensorimotor, mobility and positioning needs of students. Our experienced therapists provide screening, evaluation, direct intervention and consultative services. As part of the student's educational

team, physical therapists support motor development to maximize access to the educational environment and promote participation in the general educational curriculum.

Carol Magliocco ..... 860-228-3483

### ☀ **Related Services**

Related Services encompasses the areas of Assistive Technology, Augmentative and Alternative Services, Occupational Therapy Services, Physical Therapy Services and Speech-Language Services.

Carol Magliocco ..... 860-228-3483



### ☀ **Speech-Language Services**

EASTCONN's speech language pathologists provide diagnostic evaluations, consultation and treatment in the areas of language disorders, speech sound disorders, voice, fluency, hearing, auditory processing and social/pragmatic language disorders. Our experienced professionals are committed to providing the most current, evidenced-based intervention and data based progress monitoring.

Carol Magliocco ..... 860-228-3483

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## School-to-Career

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### ☀ **Cool Directions**

This is a year-round, in-school, youth initiative for students, ages 14-21 (grades 9-12). Students participate in team-building, portfolio development and employment activities. The program also offers a summer component with paid jobs. Youths must meet Department of Labor Guidelines to participate.

Cyndi Wells ..... 860-455-1572

**Summer, Vacation, After-School Programs**

**☼ Community Education**

Non-credit, recreational, personal improvement and career advancement courses are offered at nearby community sites for learners of all ages. A selection of reasonably priced courses are available year-round. Enrichment trips with coach bus transportation are offered with multiple, convenient pick-up sites throughout the region.

Sandra Garcia.....860-423-2591

**☼ Cool Directions: Summer Component**

The summer component is a continuation of the year-round, in-school youth program, Cool Directions. Youth can participate in paid, project-based learning opportunities, as well as team-building, ropes-course activities and/or work at individual sites. Youth must meet Department of Labor Guidelines to participate.

Cyndi Wells .....860-455-1572



**☼ Driver Education**

Taught by state-certified driver-education professionals, these popular classes prepare teens and adults through in-class instruction and behind-the-wheel training to obtain their Connecticut state driver's licenses. EASTCONN's driving schools are in two convenient locations: Willimantic and Danielson.

Don Skewes .....860-455-1511/860-576-1763

**Other Student Services**



**☼ Food Services**

EASTCONN's experienced, creative and professional staff can provide your organization, group or school district with a wide variety of services, including small-group or large-group catering, the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program or After-School Snack Program. Committed to providing exceptional service and fresh food, our Food Services group is co-located at Quinebaug Valley Community College (QVCC), where EASTCONN staff prepares high-quality food in a polished, commercial-kitchen setting. Food Services also operates "Food for Thought," a successful, bustling café at QVCC.

Heather Plourde.....860-455-1552

**☼ Transportation Services**

With a fleet of 100-plus vehicles that include GPS tracking and cell phones, EASTCONN offers day-to-day mini-van transportation and "yellow bus" services for both regular and special education students traveling to destinations ranging from local areas to neighboring states. Drivers and aides are trained carriers of both medically fragile riders, as well as those with behavioral challenges. Other services include human service agency client transportation, consultation regarding current transportation vendor contract efficiency and transportation to special events.

Julio Nieves.....860-228-6751

**☼ Truancy & Residency Services**

EASTCONN's Truancy and Residency Services are designed to help districts lower their overall truancy numbers and raise student attendance rates. This service also provides support to districts throughout the legal processes that accompany truancy. Residency Services are designed to assist districts in determining whether or not a student legally resides within their school district, allowing for more accurate enrollment and per-pupil cost projections. Residency Services are often used in conjunction with our Truancy Services.

Don Skewes. ....860-455-1511/860-576-1763

# ORGANIZATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES

*EASTCONN is committed to facilitating collaborative, regional approaches to school operations. From cooperative purchasing to back-office support and regional staff recruitment, we work to find more cost-effective ways of using your resources.*

*The descriptions of services that follow are only a sampling of the many ways in which we can help you address your organizational support needs. Contact any of our staff, or call Paula M. Colen, Executive Director, at 860-455-1565, to begin the conversation.*

## Administrative Support for Schools

### ☀ Back-Office Support

Smaller organizations with limited resources often struggle to provide back-office, financial services in a cost-effective manner. EASTCONN's Finance Office can provide the affordable support and expertise needed, saving you both time and money. EASTCONN's Finance Office staff can: assess your finance department needs and develop a plan of support; supervise current staff; provide business management support to administrators; assist with state report preparation; manage end-of-year fiscal close-outs; and more.

Bethany Desjardin .....860-455-1534



### ☀ Cooperative Purchasing

EASTCONN's regional Cooperative offers its members the opportunity to purchase products from established providers. Contracts include quality products and services with competitive pricing. Current contracts exist for custodial supplies, food service items, cafeteria equipment, office supplies, photocopiers and printer units, and fuel oil. Open to school districts, municipalities and non-profit organizations, the Cooperative saves its members time and money.

Sandra Garcia .....860-455-1584

Richard Tariff .....860-455-1562

### ☀ Eastern Connecticut Health Insurance Program (ECHIP)

This health insurance collaborative enables its municipal and public school members to more effectively manage and reduce costs for their employees' health insurance. Subject to approval by the collaborative's executive board, public school districts and municipalities may apply for membership. Visit the ECHIP web site at [www.echipct.org](http://www.echipct.org) to learn more.

Larisa Carr .....860-455-1546

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### ☀ Grants Development & Management

Whether the funding source is local, statewide, federal, or private and public foundations, EASTCONN can help you write and produce grants, facilitate the process with your staff and/or manage the fiscal and administrative sides of your program. Additionally, we provide grant development workshops. We have more than 30 years of experience and demonstrated expertise in obtaining and managing significant grant dollars.

Maureen Crowley .....860-455-1513

### ☀ PowerSchool Systems

EASTCONN's expert student information system and programming staff support PowerSchool districts with implementation planning and execution. Support services include the transition to standards-based instruction and reporting; training for administrators, teachers, counseling, office and technical support staff; state and federal reporting compliance; scheduling (including PowerScheduler); customization and report development;



and cross-system integration with related applications such as learning management, assessment, food service, transportation, library and communications systems.

Linda Brock.....860-455-1521

## ☼ Regional Management of Mandated Adult Education Programs

We manage all aspects of your mandated adult education programs, including grant submission, fiscal management, participant recruitment, assessment services, instructional services, post-program assessment and reporting. Regional cost-sharing has expanded the number of adult education offerings that are available.

Richard Tariff.....860-455-1562

## ☼ Surveys for Educator Evaluation & School Climate

EASTCONN provides valid and reliable customized surveys that meet the Connecticut system for Educator Evaluation requirement to survey parents, staff, and sometimes students, while also meeting the legislative requirement to collect School Climate data.

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## Business & Employer Services

### ☼ Adventure Program for Adults

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Francine Piela.....860-455-1545

Nancy Vitale.....860-455-1568

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Bethany Desjardin.....860-455-1534



### ☼ Conference & Meeting Support

Professional conference staff can help you plan and manage your event, either at one of our facilities or at an alternate venue of your choice in Connecticut. From initial event planning to assisting with on-site logistical support, we offer comprehensive event management to include online and on-site registration, sourcing facilitators and presenters, materials production and mailing, registrant fee and event fiscal management, sourcing and supplying support materials, catering and vendor exhibit management.

Paula Hanlon.....860-455-1533

Carol Klemyk.....860-455-1565

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Sandra Garcia.....860-455-1584

Richard Tariff.....860-455-1562



## Organizational Support Services

### ☼ Employer Services

Local businesses can customize cost-effective training packages in literacy and English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL), customer service, Microsoft Office, or manufacturing that meet their workforce development needs. Training can be provided in the workplace or at a convenient EASTCONN adult education site.

Richard Tariff ..... 860-455-1562

Sandra Garcia ..... 860-455-1584

### ☼ Spanish Translation Services

Improve your communications with Spanish-speakers of all ages by using our Spanish translator. Experienced and accurate, our translator will ensure that you are able to communicate clearly with your Latino audience/s whenever you need to share either day-to-day or critical information.

Teddie Sleight ..... 860-455-1553

## Communication Services

### ☼ Communications Training & Support

Our in-house staff can help you increase positive media coverage or enhance your written, graphic, or digital communications through newsletters, press releases, websites, online surveys and multi-media presentations. We can provide direct service, training, or on-site support and coaching.

Teddie Sleight ..... 860-455-1553

### ☼ Desktop Publishing Services

We can design and deliver finished projects or provide on-site coaching to your administrative support staff. From newsletters to posters to presentations, we can improve your capacity to communicate with all your audiences through effective graphic design. Our staff have won state and national recognition for Web and publication design.

Teddie Sleight ..... 860-455-1553

### ☼ Media & Crisis Communications Support

Our experienced staff can help you manage and increase your positive press, whether as part of your day-to-day operations, or as a result of a crisis situation. In general, they can help you choose newsworthy topics, write successful press releases and/or distribute your press releases to appropriate media outlets. They can also assist your organization with media relations during an unexpected event. We maintain a current list of education reporters and local and state media outlets. Staff can edit and distribute releases for you, or teach you how to do it yourself.

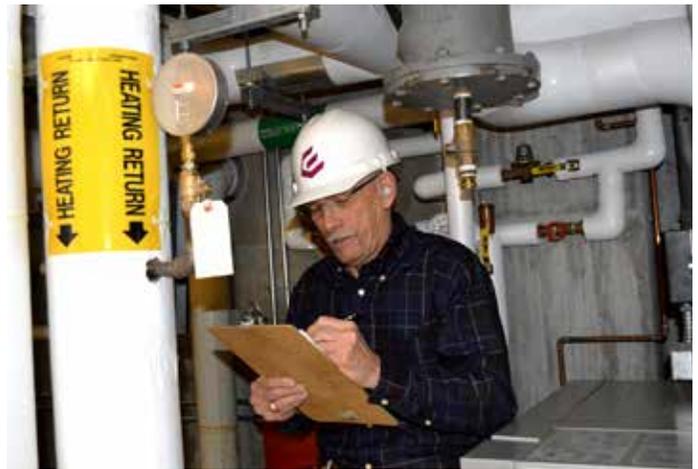
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## Facilities Services



### ☼ Asbestos-Designated-Person Staffing Services

We offer several options to meet your needs for a hazardous-materials-designated staff person to ensure that you remain in compliance with all school-related and Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) regulations. We can provide you with a trained person on a temporary or permanent basis, or you can contract with us to perform your six-month inspections.

Michael Akana ..... 860-455-1543

### ☼ Asbestos Inspection & Management

Our licensed Asbestos Inspector/Management Planner will help you stay in compliance with state and federal regulations related to asbestos-containing materials in schools, including inspections, three-year re-inspections, training and management-plan development.

Michael Akana ..... 860-455-1543

### ☼ Facilities Audit Services

EASTCONN supports school districts that do not have the on-staff expertise necessary to make determinations about long-range facilities needs, including maintenance and overall improvement planning. Call us to explore your options.

Michael Akana ..... 860-455-1543



## ☼ Facilities Forum

This regional council focuses on sharing solutions to common issues for both facilities directors and those whose work involves the maintenance and management of school buildings. Forum members have an opportunity to discuss regulatory and fiscal challenges, while connecting with peers and sharing useful strategies and resources.

Michael Akana .....860-455-1543

## ☼ Hazardous Materials Support & Training for Schools

Use us to survey your facilities, develop a chemical hygiene plan and train your staff in both asbestos awareness and hazardous materials communications to ensure compliance with state and federal mandates. All new maintenance and custodial staff are required to complete a two-hour asbestos awareness training class within 60 days from date of hire.

Michael Akana .....860-455-1543

## ☼ Radon Measurement Service Provider

Use the expertise of our nationally certified Radon Measurement Technician to test your school or day care facility for radon. We will determine whether your building(s) meets mandated State of Connecticut Department of Public Health codes.

Michael Akana .....860-455-1543

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## Human Resources Management

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## ☼ CT REAP: Web-Based Employment System

Reach across the marketplace with Connecticut's statewide, Web-based employment system for recruiting teachers and other certified administrators.

Steven Wapen .....860-455-1554



## ☼ Eastern Connecticut Health Insurance Program (ECHIP)

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Larisa Carr .....860-455-1546

## ☼ Fingerprinting Services

EASTCONN offers fingerprinting services to Local Education Agencies and their job applicants in compliance with Connecticut state law. Conveniently located fingerprinting services, provided by EASTCONN experts, help ensure a smooth hiring process for potential employees.

Fingerprinting Services .....860-455-1550

## ☼ Personnel Recruitment Assistance

We offer a range of strategies to help you recruit and hire education personnel, including cooperative advertising and access to our Web-based employment system.

Steven Wapen .....860-455-1554

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## Personnel & Staffing Solutions

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Michael Akana .....860-455-1543

## ☼ Shared Staffing

Use EASTCONN to recruit, interview and hire qualified full-time or part-time staff to fill district positions that include paraprofessionals with specialized training, as well as hard-to-fill certified and administrative support positions.

Steven Wapen .....860-455-1554

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## Program Design & Development

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## ☼ Collaborative Initiatives Across Districts

EASTCONN facilitates collaboration among school districts around a variety of topics like common curriculum development, staff development, grant-writing and the design of programs and services for students. Regional collaborations maximize local dollars and expand program options.

Maureen Crowley .....860-455-1513



## ☼ Grant Development Council

This facilitated council promotes a collaborative culture and helps increase the potential for attracting increased resources to local and collective school districts. Led by a professional, proven grant-writer, members build grant-writing skills; share information, both online and at group meetings; and work together to identify and more effectively leverage funding sources for new programs and services.

Maureen Crowley .....860-455-1513



## ☼ Interdistrict Program Design & Management

Every two years, EASTCONN collaborates with area school districts to respond to Connecticut State Department of Education-funded Interdistrict Grant opportunities designed to boost students' academic skills and increase their understanding and experience of diversity. If selected for funding, programs are limited to districts that have signed on to participate in that funding cycle. Contact us for more information about currently funded programs or new grant opportunities.

Nancy Vitale.....860-455-1568

## ☼ Program Evaluation

We can help facilitate and/or develop a responsive evaluation model for new or existing programs. We can also help you respond to local, regional, federal or private foundations and grant- or questions about how your program design results in benefits to students, aligns with specified goals and achieves identified outcomes.

Maureen Crowley .....860-455-1513

## ☼ Program Planning, Design & Development

We can assist program, service and school representatives in designing and developing innovative educational and professional development programs, including designing and conducting needs assessments, reforming existing service models, identifying funding sources, preparing grant proposals, developing action/implementation plans and facilitating the development process.

Maureen Crowley .....860-455-1513

## Technology Services

### ☼ Classroom Technology Implementation & Assessment

Are you having difficulty implementing new technologies in your classrooms? Have you invested in technology that goes underutilized or doesn't meet your expectations? EASTCONN can assist you in achieving the best possible results, from installation to implementation, including lesson integration and training. Let our expertise help you bridge the gap.

Andrew DePalma .....860-455-1620

Thomas Schenking .....860-455-1527

### ☼ Education Data Systems Management

The education process involves a complex ecosystem of software applications, many using the same core data. Are your systems and procedures streamlined to minimize staff labor and ensure the timeliness and accuracy of your information and reporting? Our on-staff experts can evaluate your current systems and operations, recommend integrated solutions, and provide training and support to key district personnel who are responsible for district and/or statewide data systems. Available tools include student information, learning management, assessment, communication, transportation and other education-focused systems, as well as locally developed solutions.

Andrew DePalma .....860-455-1620



### ☼ Executive Briefings & Technology Updates

Do you or members of your leadership team need to come up to speed on technology topics before making critical decisions? Do you need to discreetly improve your understanding of administrative or educational technology? Technology Solutions can provide small-group and individual briefings and updates on request, giving you the edge you need to succeed with technology. Content can address any topic, historical or current, at the location of your choice.

Andrew DePalma .....860-455-1620



## Information Technology (IT) Support Services

Our technology support team can help you with all your computer and mobile devices, from deployment and set-up to preventive maintenance and repair. We can provide you with trained Information Technology (IT) staff on a temporary, full- or part-time basis. Or, you can contract with us for short-term projects. Services include: troubleshooting peripherals, desktops and laptops, networks, set-up for technology labs, preventive maintenance, desktop and server support, technology equipment repair, IT diagnostic services and audio/visual equipment support, and end-user support.

Andrew DePalma .....860-455-1620

Thomas Schenking .....860-455-1548

## Technology Lunch 'n' Learn

Choose a topic and we'll provide the lunch. Our Conference Center in Hampton is the perfect place to host your Lunch 'n' Learn. Our experts in technology can present a short, focused learning experience for your staff on a variety of topics related to your current technology needs. Topics include, but are not limited to: Microsoft Office Suite; Protecting Your Hardware; Security; Becoming Internet Savvy; and Quick Tips/Shortcuts. Join us in Hampton, or our technology experts will bring a session to the location of your choice.

Andrew DePalma .....860-455-1620

Nancy Jagaczewski .....860-455-1527

## Web Application Development

Our technology team can turn your manual processes into business-driven, user-friendly, highly innovative custom Web applications. Whether it's simple form data collection or a full-featured application, we can turn your ideas and/or current processes into a database driven, scalable and globally available solution for any device. Working closely with you, we'll determine the most effective

solutions, while also ensuring that your application is intuitive, easy to use and serves your user needs.

Andrew DePalma .....860-455-1620

Kerin Griffin.....860-455-1594

## Transportation Services

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Julio Nieves.....860-228-6751



# TEACHING & LEARNING SERVICES

*EASTCONN works in partnership with educators from across northeastern Connecticut to continuously improve instruction with the goal of increased learning outcomes for all children. From curriculum design and professional learning to data-driven school improvement, our specialists offer a broad range of expertise.*

*The descriptions that follow are only a sampling of the ways in which we can help you address your teaching and learning needs. Contact any staff listed below, or call Scott Nierendorf, Director of Teaching and Learning, at 860-455-1569 or [snierendorf@eastconn.org](mailto:snierendorf@eastconn.org), to begin the conversation.*

## Center for Educational Leadership

### ☀ Administrator's Roundtable

The Administrator's Roundtable is a consortium that brings superintendents and other administrators together to exchange the best in educational practices. Group activities provide participants with an opportunity to receive and discuss information related to significant issues in the state and region.

Diane Dugas.....860-455-1591  
Scott Nierendorf.....860-455-1569

### ☀ Aspirant Leaders Community of Practice

Aspirant leaders must be ready and able to assume the role of instructional champion—working on many fronts to improve and sustain student achievement. At the same time, they need to manage the academic development of a changing school population and accelerate the development of teachers. These initiatives require school leaders to focus on the management of resources as well as the ongoing renewal of school culture. By joining this collegial community of practice, educators will develop an understanding of the school improvement cycle; identify school and classroom practices that support student achievement; and develop an awareness of processes and procedures that effective schools use to build professional relationships.

Diane Dugas.....860-455-1591  
Faith Grist.....860-455-1569

### ☀ Center for Educational Leadership

The EASTCONN Center for Educational Leadership offers educators professional learning communities, cohorts, coaching and customized learning opportunities that examine the nature of leadership in today's world. Through research-based professional learning experiences, the Center supports district leaders as they consider and analyze a range of leadership options, actions and instructional methods. Administrators and other district leaders benefit from interactive, experiential activities that are dedicated to evidence-based practices and personal reflection.

Diane Dugas.....860-455-1591



### ☀ Community of Practice for Leaders

In addition to having a variety of communities of practice to choose from, we provide other professional learning opportunities that are grounded in the Connecticut Standards for School Leaders and Standards for Teachers. Through a variety of administrator groups, teacher-leader cohorts, online learning and coaching, we can provide customized support to district administrators as they develop leadership capacity within their own district learning communities. Online collaboration and on-site coaching contribute to this work, minimizing time out of your building.

Diane Dugas.....860-455-1591

### ☀ Principals' Community of Practice

We offer a consortium for PreK-8 principals in the EASTCONN region to meet the unique needs and challenges of PreK-8 school leaders. Specific areas for collaboration and sharing of resources are addressed throughout the year. The Connecticut Standards for School Leaders provides a focal point for collegial conversations around performance expectations within small-district leadership. Face-to-face and online collaboration opportunities support this collegial exchange.

Diane Dugas.....860-455-1591  
Scott Nierendorf.....860-455-1569



**☼ Teacher Leaders Community of Practice**

This community of practice is focused on leadership development among exemplary teachers who display the potential to become teacher leaders. The small-group setting enables participants to share the vision of their schools, align their professional goals with those of the district and share responsibility for the success of their school as a whole. School administrators can recognize, reward and develop their district's finest teachers by having them participate in this select learning community. This series includes five meetings throughout the year, and five hours of on-site coaching per participant, from September through May.

Diane Dugas.....860-455-1591

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**Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment**

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**☼ Assessment Strategies/Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC)**

Our education specialists offer formative and summative assessment strategies aligned to Connecticut Core Standards and other state/national standards. The range of offerings, from full workshops to onsite customized analysis, gives administrators and teacher-leaders an opportunity to participate in collegial conversations around the challenges of implementing computer adaptive assessments for students, required by SBAC. We can also help your district determine technical readiness for this online assessment.

Scott Nierendorf .....860-455-1569

**☼ Connecticut Core Standards**

The Connecticut Core Standards define the rigorous skills and knowledge in English language arts and mathematics that need to be learned by students, so they can succeed academically in both credit-bearing, college-entry courses and in workforce training programs. EASTCONN supports the implementation and development of the Connecticut Core Standards through consortiums, unit development teams, full-day and in-district professional learning opportunities and Connecticut Core Standards-aligned services.

Scott Nierendorf .....860-455-1569

Diane Dugas.....860-455-1591

**☼ Curriculum Development & Design: NGSS & ELA**

Our expert staff can help you research, design and/or develop curricula in Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) or English language arts (ELA) using a variety of strategies, including project-based instruction, differentiated instruction and school-to-career organizers. Our staff, who have extensive experience with Connecticut Core Standards, can assist you in the development of a quality, comprehensive curriculum aligned to Connecticut Core

Standards and other Connecticut standards.

Scott Nierendorf .....860-455-1569

Diane Dugas.....860-455-1591

**☼ English Learners (EL) Title III Consortium**

EASTCONN's English Learners (EL) Title III Consortium provides a forum for regional EL educators to come together around emerging trends and practices. Practitioners share best practices and EASTCONN staff provide current information on curriculum, assessment, effective instruction and the latest developments from the state and federal levels pertaining to the Title III Grant.

Faith Grist.....860-455-1569



**☼ Science/STEM/NGSS Professional Learning & Curriculum Alignment**

EASTCONN's science specialists can provide you with a variety of STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) professional learning and support, including curriculum alignment, instructional strategies and assessment. Our science specialists will customize their services to meet your district's needs.

Stacey Williams-Watson.....860-455-1508

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**Professional Learning**

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Francine Piela.....860-455-1545

Nancy Vitale.....860-455-1568

## ☼ Connecticut Administrator Test (CAT)

EASTCONN manages the administrator testing program for the Connecticut State Department of Education. Individuals applying for their Connecticut Administration Certification must take and pass the Connecticut Administrator Test (CAT), which is administered at convenient sites around the state at different times during the year.

Nancy Jagaczewski .....860-455-1527

Debbie Siegel.....860-455-1551

Ann Marie Milette.....860-455-1579

## ☼ Educator Evaluation Plans — Consultation & Support

As districts implement their administrator and teacher evaluation plans, EASTCONN is prepared to provide training and on-site support. We can provide orientation sessions, work with teams or individuals to develop quality Student Learning Objectives (SLOs), analyze stakeholder feedback data to develop school goals, and provide assistance for educators at all levels in understanding the Common Core of Teaching (CCT) rubric.

Scott Nierendorf .....860-455-1569

Diane Dugas.....860-455-1591



## ☼ English Learner (EL) Educator Professional Support

Training and technical assistance are available to school districts with low-incidence English learners (EL), including EL Consortium members receiving Title III funding. Services include policy development, program design and development, No Child Left Behind (NCLB) and Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) testing requirements, identification, testing support and professional learning.

Faith Grist.....860-455-1569

## ☼ Executive Briefings & Technology Updates

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Andrew DePalma .....860-455-1620



## ☼ Hazardous Materials Support & Training for Schools

Use us to survey your facilities, develop a chemical hygiene plan and train your staff in both asbestos awareness and hazardous materials communications to ensure compliance with state and federal mandates. All new maintenance and custodial staff are required to complete a two-hour asbestos awareness training class within 60 days from date of hire.

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## ☼ Literacy Professional Learning

Professional development and technical assistance are available to schools that seek to align their literacy curriculum with the Connecticut Core Standards, strengthen their literacy program to best meet the needs of all learners, implement best practices, administer and analyze literacy assessments and use data to inform instruction.

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## ☼ Mathematics Professional Learning

We are committed to supporting math educators and leaders, and facilitating their smooth transition to the Connecticut Core Standards (CCS) for mathematics. We provide high-quality training, job-embedded coaching and consultation to deepen educators' understanding and implementation of effective instructional practices. We also help build content knowledge based in the CCS for mathematics, and develop assessments to drive instruction. In addition, we help schools develop quality math curricula aligned to the CCS.

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## ☼ PowerSchool Systems

EASTCONN's expert student information system and programming staff support PowerSchool districts with implementation planning and execution. Support services include the transition

to standards-based instruction and reporting; training for administrators, teachers, counseling, office and technical support staff; state and federal reporting compliance; scheduling (including PowerScheduler); customization and report development; and cross-system integration with related applications such as learning management, assessment, food service, transportation, library and communications systems.

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**☀ Teacher Education And Mentoring (TEAM) Program**

EASTCONN provides regional and in-district professional learning support to districts implementing Connecticut’s Teacher Education and Mentoring (TEAM) Program. TEAM is a state-wide program that supports beginning teachers and mentors. In addition to providing training and technical assistance for mentors, beginning teachers, administrators and TEAM Coordinating Committees members, our staff can assist your district in the development of a comprehensive induction system and provide coaching and resources tailored to meet your unique needs.

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**Regional EASTCONN Councils**

**☀ Arts Learning Council**

EASTCONN’s Arts Learning Council provides a forum for area arts teachers to come together and work collaboratively to promote creativity and link learning through the arts as a mechanism to engage all students. Teachers from disciplines that include art, music and drama are invited to participate. The group focuses on ways to integrate arts disciplines into school curricula and connect with community arts organizations to enhance programming.

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**☀ Grant Development Council**

This facilitated council promotes a collaborative culture and helps increase the potential for attracting increased resources to local and collective school districts. Led by a professional, proven grant-writer, members build grant-writing skills; share information, both online and at group meetings; and work together to identify and more effectively leverage funding sources for new programs and services.

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**☀ Language Arts Council**

Our Language Arts Council provides a forum for area language arts teachers to come together around emerging trends and practices in language arts. Participants and guest speakers share best practices and EASTCONN staff provide mini-workshops on curriculum, assessment and instruction topics of interest. CSDE consultants also attend and share information on the latest developments in education.

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**☀ Math Council**

Our Math Council provides a forum for area math teachers to meet regularly to discuss emerging trends and practices in mathematics. Practitioners share best practices and EASTCONN staff provide current information on curriculum, assessment and effective instruction. Often featured are Connecticut State Depart-

ment of Education guest speakers, who share information on current education trends and developments.

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### Regional Staff Development Council

The Regional Staff Development Council at EASTCONN brings district and school leaders together in a collegial forum to dialogue around current educational issues in Connecticut. Topics include curriculum, assessment, the state's educator evaluation model, professional development, legislation and other relevant educational topics. Speakers from the Connecticut State Department of Education regularly attend sessions to discuss new developments in education, both statewide and nationally.

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### Science Council

Our Science Council provides area science teachers with a forum for networking with colleagues and learning about emerging trends and practices in science. Practitioners share best practices and EASTCONN staff provide current information on curriculum, assessment and effective instruction. Outside education and science experts attend regularly to share important information.

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### Social Studies Council

Our Social Studies Council provides area social studies teachers with a forum for networking with colleagues and learning about emerging trends and practices in social studies. Practitioners share best practices and EASTCONN staff provide current information on curriculum, assessment and effective instruction. Outside education and social studies experts attend regularly to share new developments and important information.

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### Technology Council

Our Technology Council provides technology educators with a forum where they can network with peers in a collegial environment, while learning about the latest trends and best practices in technology. Experts in the field and outside consultants regularly attend meetings and provide valuable insights into the latest developments.

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## School Improvement Strategies

### Accreditation Quality Improvement System (AQIS)

The Connecticut Accreditation Quality Improvement System (AQIS) is an established resource system of regional teams providing critical leadership and support for the achievement of quality standards and excellence in early childhood programs. AQIS services include overviews of the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Program Standards and Accreditation Performance Criteria; technical assistance with the process of accreditation; and individualized support for programs engaged in the self-study.

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### Collaborative Initiatives Across Districts

EASTCONN facilitates collaboration among school districts around a variety of topics like common curriculum development, staff development, grant-writing and the design of programs and services for students. Regional collaborations maximize local dollars and expand program options.

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### District & School Improvement Planning

Access our menu of planning services to develop a data-driven improvement plan. We can provide facilitation for your team in the analysis of multiple sources of district and school data and assist in identifying key areas for improvement. Your plan will include measurable goals, effective strategies and indicators of success. We will assist you in developing a monitoring plan to

evaluate your progress. Some districts are using this process to create a 3-year professional learning plan to guide professional development activities.

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### ☀ **Early Childhood Program Monitoring & Evaluation**

Our early childhood specialists can help to create or improve early childhood programs, birth through grade 3. Consultation can include program and curriculum design, as well as facility and learning environment design and evaluation.

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### ☀ **Educator Evaluation Plans — Consultation & Support**

As districts implement their administrator and teacher evaluation plans, EASTCONN is prepared to provide training and on-site support. We can provide orientation sessions, work with teams or individuals to develop quality Student Learning Objectives (SLOs), analyze stakeholder feedback data to develop school goals, and provide assistance for educators at all levels in understanding the Common Core of Teaching (CCT) rubric.

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### ☀ **Interdistrict Program Design & Management**

Every two years, EASTCONN collaborates with area school districts to respond to Connecticut State Department of Education-funded Interdistrict Grant opportunities designed to boost students' academic skills and increase their understanding and experience of diversity. If selected for funding, programs are limited to districts that have signed on to participate in that funding cycle. Contact us for more information about currently funded programs or new grant opportunities.

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### ☀ **NAEYC Accreditation Consultation**

Our expert Early Childhood staff will provide information, consultation and training to preschool and kindergarten programs that want to pursue accreditation by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

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### ☀ **School Climate Support**

In order to address the Connecticut mandate that requires districts to create a safe school climate plan, we have developed a range of services to support districts and administrators. Consultation on plan development and guidance on establishing Naviance \* platforms is available and can be customized to your needs.

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### ☀ **Strategic Planning for School Communities**

Long-range planning involving the entire school community is essential if school districts are to focus on improvement. This process engages a diverse group of school and community members as they identify priorities and develop action plans to accomplish specific goals and outcomes. There are multiple components, including a scan of all available data, conversations with key stakeholders (teachers, parents, administrators, boards of education members) and concentrated discussions with leaders to identify actionable items. Such a process, led by EASTCONN's trained facilitators, can help you identify shared beliefs, while building a coherent plan to address goals, such as allocating resources and ensuring clear communication with community members.

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### ☀ **Surveys for Educator Evaluation & School Climate**

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### ☀ **Technology Strategic Planning**

Strategic planning for educational technology can ensure that your district's instruction and curriculum meet the demands of the 21st century. Our technology planning experts can help your district evaluate, create and implement a systemic and long-term technology plan to meet your goals. Facilitation and support are available for all types of planning, from small projects to district-wide initiatives. Ongoing monitoring and evaluation support are available. We can also assist with reviewing your current technology infrastructure and provide Information Technology (IT) staff to supplement your existing staff.

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# TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS

*EASTCONN helps schools envision, acquire and maintain technology systems that enhance student learning. From on-site technology integration training to customized database development, we are committed to ensuring that schools keep pace with the accelerating demand for the effective use of technology.*

*The descriptions of services that follow are only a sampling of the many ways in which we can help you address your technology needs. Contact any of our program staff, or call Andrew DePalma, Director of Technology Solutions, at 860-455-1527 or [adepalma@eastconn.org](mailto:adepalma@eastconn.org), to begin the conversation.*

## Data Solutions Support & Training

### ☀ Data Analytics & Reporting

Everyone is collecting data everywhere. Are you working for it, or is it working for you? The true power of data can only be realized when you can use it when you need it, where you need it. Let EASTCONN's analytics experts organize your data and create on-target reporting, ready for on-demand download or delivery via e-mail. Move beyond the cumbersome and inadequate reporting features built into common software. Take the next step in data-driven decision-making.

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### ☀ Education Data Systems Management

The education process involves a complex ecosystem of software applications, many using the same core data. Are your systems and procedures streamlined to minimize staff labor and ensure the timeliness and accuracy of your information and reporting? Our on-staff experts can evaluate your current systems and operations, recommend integrated solutions, and provide training and support to key district personnel who are responsible for district and/or statewide data systems. Available tools include student information, learning management, assessment, communication, transportation and other education-focused systems, as well as locally developed solutions.

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### ☀ Secure Online Assessment Delivery

EASTCONN's assessment delivery system meets your evaluation needs by providing online administration of your custom assessments. Our staff will consult with you to capture the item design appropriate to your desired measures. Assessments can include any combination of questions, and reporting can be customized to suit your needs. We can provide proctored services for your assessment on our equipment to your statewide audience through our partner sites in Hamden, New Britain and Hampton.

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### ☀ Survey Deployment & Analysis

We offer customized design, hosting and data-analysis support for your data collection projects. Our familiarity with educational data and school improvement will help ensure that these projects yield the data that you need to answer your essential questions, and prepare you for administrative and community conversations. Our analysis tools permit quick turnaround in producing presentation-ready results reporting.

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## ☼ Web Application Development

Our technology team can turn your manual processes into business-driven, user-friendly, highly innovative custom Web applications. Whether it's simple form data collection or a full-featured application, we can turn your ideas and/or current processes into a database driven, scalable and globally available solution for any device. Working closely with you, we'll determine the most effective solutions, while also ensuring that your application is intuitive, easy to use and serves your user needs.

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## Educational Technology Integration

### ☼ Classroom Technology Implementation & Assessment

Are you having difficulty implementing new technologies in your classrooms? Have you invested in technology that goes underutilized or doesn't meet your expectations? EASTCONN can assist you in achieving the best possible results, from installation to implementation, including lesson integration and training. Let our expertise help you bridge the gap.

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### ☼ Executive Briefings & Technology Updates

Do you or members of your leadership team need to come up to speed on technology topics before making critical decisions? Do you need to discreetly improve your understanding of administrative or educational technology? Technology Solutions can provide small-group and individual briefings and updates on request, giving you the edge you need to succeed with technology. Content can address any topic, historical or current, at the location of your choice.

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### ☼ Robot Double Avatar

When a teacher or student is unable to be in the classroom, a Double Robot allows users to stay involved as if they were physi-

cally in the room. This video telepresence robot is an extension of the user; its Web-based, intuitive control allows the user to drive an iPad on a wheeled robotic base around the building and have live interactions with others, so as never to miss a meeting, a class or event. Face-to-face interactions are a valuable component of collaboration and learning, which Double Robot can make possible. Devices are available for daily or long-term rental.

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### NEW Technology Professional Development

Our Technology Solutions staff can provide you with new and/or advanced technology skills. Learn about gaming in the classroom, Google apps for education, malware awareness and Google training. Create databases using FileMaker Pro and Microsoft Office. Other topics are available upon request.

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### ☼ Video Conferencing Services

EASTCONN can provide telepresence technology to your school or organization through high-quality video conferencing, Web-sharing and other collaboration tools that extend beyond the classroom.

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## Technology Infrastructure Support

### ☼ Information Technology (IT) Support Services

Our technology support team can help you with all your computer and mobile devices, from deployment and set-up to preventive maintenance and repair. We can provide you with trained Information Technology (IT) staff on a temporary, full- or part-time basis. Or, you can contract with us for short-term projects. Services include: troubleshooting peripherals, desktops and laptops, networks, set-up for technology labs, preventive maintenance, desktop and server support, technology equipment repair, IT diagnostic services and audio/visual equipment support, and end-user support.

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### 🌟 Network Management

Supplement your in-house staff with our networking experts. Our on-site or remote support services can ensure your networking equipment and servers stay running and optimized to your needs, while improving your network's availability and overall performance. We can provide support for Windows and Mac networks, servers, switches, routers, WAN connections and wireless networks. We are available for long-term assignments as well as ad-hoc projects including server and networking equipment upgrades, server migrations and wireless network upgrades.

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### 🌟 System Monitoring

EASTCONN's Information Technology (IT) experts can help you assess and anticipate problems and changes in your technology infrastructure, enabling you and your staff to be more proactive in addressing system concerns. We can assist you by building easy-to-read dashboards and providing instantaneous alerts to system irregularities. Our experts can help you maintain and/or improve technology-related productivity across your organization.

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### 🌟 Technology Strategic Planning

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## Technology Products

### 🌟 Connecticut Preschool Assessment Framework (CTPAF) Web-Based Software

This reasonably priced, Web-based application is available for teachers and program directors who use the Connecticut Preschool Assessment Framework (CTPAF). This database eliminates the need for handwritten reports and allows teachers and administrators to view individual, classroom and program results.

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### **NEW** eObserve Online Observation Tool

eObserve is an online observation tool for classroom assessments and/or informal or formal teacher observations. Designed to be used on a tablet or computer, this web-based program allows school staff to observe and input evidence as it's happening and

run real-time reports. Let us customize eObserve to meet your district's specific needs.

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### **NEW** Manage My Applicants: Contest & Grant Software

Manage My Applicants is an easy-to-use, customizable, online software that simplifies, organizes and manages applications for professional contests and competitive grants. The online application submission, review and selection process eliminates paper entirely, frees up administrative time and keeps deadlines on track.

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### **NEW** Measuresuccess.org for Professional Learning Communities

Facilitate professional learning communities (PLCs) around curriculum, assessment and student work in a collaborative, online platform. Create standards-based units with embedded assessment tasks. Upload files, links and video clips that demonstrate benchmark student work for each standard. Standards become accessible and "real" when educators and students can see and hear work that illustrates what standards look like when achieved. Base your units/tasks on one or more sets of national or state standards that are provided within the site, or customize your own.

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### 🌟 Surveys for Educator Evaluation & School Climate

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### 🌟 Virtual High School

Virtual High School (VHS) offers more than 200 core and elective courses for middle and high school students that prepare them for college and careers. Courses are available in all content areas, including a selection of Advanced Placement (AP) courses.

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