



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION



TO: Superintendents of Schools

FROM: Desi D. Nesmith, Interim Commissioner of Education *Desi Nesmith*

DATE: July 29, 2019

SUBJECT: Announcement of Unpaid Experiential Learning Program Continuation

The Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE), in collaboration with the Connecticut Department of Labor (CT DOL) is extending the Unpaid Experiential Learning Program (UELPP) for the 2019-20 school year.

The purpose of the UELPP is to enable local education agencies (LEAs), individual high schools and their business and industry partners, to place students in unpaid work-based learning opportunities for up to 120 hours per year. The program waiver supports LEA efforts to expand and build new pathways for learners, while allowing for career skill development in an authentic setting. The CSDE is hosting two informational sessions. In order to participate in the UELPP - you or your designee must attend one (1) of the two (2) sessions. The sessions are:

- September 10, 2019, from 9:00-11:00 a.m., at CREC Central, 111 Charter Oak Avenue, Hartford, Room 202; or
- September 16, 2019, from 1:00-3:00 p.m., at CREC, 55 Van Dyke Avenue, Hartford, Room 310.

To register, please direct your internet browser to: <http://www.crec.org/events/index.php>, click on "events" then scroll down to the desired date and click the registration button. If you need help registering, please contact Mary Lou Molloy at 860-509-3649 or mmolloy@crec.org. Should you need additional information regarding the 2019-20 UELPP, please contact Harold Mackin at 860-713-6779 or Harold.mackin@ct.gov.

We thank you for your interest.

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