## MERIDEN SCHOOL READINESS GRANT PROGRAM

## **OPEN BID PROCESS:**

Connecticut General Statutes
Sections 10-160 through 10-16r and Sections 10-16t through 10-16u

**Local Request for Proposals (RFP)** - Any program that wishes to become a provider of School Readiness services in the Meriden community, must submit a local proposal to the Meriden School Readiness Council for approval. All local RFP submissions will be reviewed by the Meriden School Readiness Council and scored.

**All School Readiness providers must be willing and able to comply with all legislated mandates**. Please see the web site below for copies of the School Readiness General Policies.

**General Policies** – The General Policies (GP) located on the OEC website at: <a href="http://www.ct.gov/oec/generalpolicies">http://www.ct.gov/oec/generalpolicies</a>, click on "School Readiness" to view the latest versions of these policies.

The School Readiness Grant Application – Programs interested in participating in the open-bid process must contact Jennifer Baglin at <a href="mailto:jbaglin@meridenct.gov">jbaglin@meridenct.gov</a>, Meriden School Readiness Coordinator on or before February 26, 2016, for a Request for Proposal application and additional information. Applicants should apply early in order to complete the application by the due date of March 24, 2016.

## **Submission/ Due Date**

Eligible applicants must submit an application for July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017. Grant award letters will be issued annually based on the annual appropriation of the Connecticut Legislature and the grant recipient's compliance with the program requirements. <u>Due date for completed grant application is March 24, 2016.</u> For new applicants, funding is conditional on new funds awarded to the community.