

# Zone 1

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## Avon District Information

**Website:** [www.avon.k12.ct.us](http://www.avon.k12.ct.us)

**Location:** 10 miles west of Hartford

**District Description:** With supportive government agencies and a beautiful location, Avon is considered to be one of the most desirable communities in Connecticut. There are five schools that make up the school system: Roaring Brook School (preschool through grade 4), Pine Grove School (kindergarten through grade 4), Thompson Brook School (grades 5 and 6), Avon Middle School (grades 7 and 8), and Avon High School (grades 9 through 12). The mission of Avon Public Schools is to inspire in each student a joy and passion for learning and a commitment to excellence, personal integrity, and social responsibility. Through a strong focus on culture, student achievement, communications, and by collaborating with educators, students, families, and the community, Avon Public Schools is recognized for its academic excellence and rich co-curricular programs.

**Student/Teacher Ratio:** 19.5:1 for kindergarten through grade 4

**Seats Previously Offered:** preschool, kindergarten, and siblings

## Canton District Information

**Website:** [www.cantonschools.org](http://www.cantonschools.org)

**Location:** 13 miles west of Hartford

**District Description:** As a leader among school systems and a source of pride in its community, Canton Public Schools enriches the present and shapes the future of its students by opening minds and transforming lives. The district's mission is to prepare independent, productive, respectful, and responsible citizens who contribute to an ever-changing world. It pursues continuous improvement while honoring its strong educational legacy and traditions. Canton Public Schools unites with families and the community to provide challenging educational experiences that promote the intellectual, physical, social, and emotional potential of its students. It believes that all students will successfully master Canton's Community Expectations for Learning, benefit from high-quality resources and experiences that foster intellectual, physical, social, and emotional growth, and flourish in a safe and healthy learning environment that values differences while respecting cultures, abilities, and perspectives. Many activities are planned throughout the year to facilitate the bond between students and families. Students have the opportunity to extend their learning by participating in after-school tutoring and extracurricular clubs and activities. Late bus transportation is provided, which allows students to take advantage of these opportunities. The Canton Board of Education hopes that its participation in the Hartford Region Open Choice Program will continue to grow, allowing all students to continue to achieve academically at high levels and be exposed to diverse cultures.

**Student/Teacher Ratio:** 13:1

**Seats Previously Offered:** kindergarten through grade 10

## East Granby District Information

**Website:** [www.eastgranby.k12.ct.us](http://www.eastgranby.k12.ct.us)

**Location:** 13 miles north of Hartford

**District Description:** East Granby Public Schools is comprised of four schools that engage students in high-quality learning experiences. The Carl D. Allgrove School houses the preschool through grade 2 program. The newly renovated R.D. Seymour School houses grades 3 through 5. East Granby Middle School is comprised of students in grades 6 through 8, and East Granby High School includes grades 9 through 12. East Granby Public Schools is a learning community where students are inspired and engaged in rigorous and authentic learning experiences that prepare them to meet the demands of a changing world. Students pursue knowledge in 21st century learning environments that foster the development of their individual talents, skills, and interests so they may achieve their personal and career goals. Educators, parents, students, and community partners are important stakeholders in the success of East Granby Public Schools. Together, they work to ensure that students achieve high expectations and are prepared for productive and successful futures.

**Student/Teacher Ratio:** 19:1

**Seats Previously Offered:** kindergarten and siblings

## Granby District Information

**Website:** [www.granby.k12.ct.us](http://www.granby.k12.ct.us)

**Location:** 20 miles north of Hartford

**District Description:** Granby Public Schools is a professional learning community. It provides a comprehensive educational program for about 1,900 students in preschool through grade 12. It is dedicated to every student graduating on time and being prepared for 21st century citizenship. Granby is an outstanding rural school district, with a dedicated and talented staff, enthusiastic student body, and an extremely supportive community. The district is characterized by its academic excellence, a rich variety of athletic, artistic, and co-curricular opportunities, community service, and high standards of personal behavior. A 21st century vision and mission drives the work of the district. Granby has actively and successfully participated in Open Choice for more than 35 years. The district embraces cultural diversity. Students from Hartford start school in Granby in kindergarten and are fully included in the life at each school. Equity of outcomes for Hartford students is a district expectation.

**Student/Teacher Ratio:** preschool through grade 2 - 17:1; grades 3 through 5 - 21:1; grades 6 through 8 - 22:1; grades 9 through 12 - 21:1

**Seats Previously Offered:** kindergarten

## Simsbury District Information

**Website:** [www.simsbury.k12.ct.us](http://www.simsbury.k12.ct.us)

**Location:** 12 miles west of Hartford

**District Description:** Simsbury Public Schools prepares students for a global, interconnected society. There is an emphasis on building strong interpersonal relationships and higher-order thinking, communication, and technology skills. Teachers are experts in instruction and content knowledge, emphasizing 21st century skills across all curricular areas. Positive rapport with students is a priority. Teachers strive to instill excitement and joy into the learning environment. The curriculum emphasizes critical and creative thought, problem solving, effective written and oral communication, artistic expression, an understanding and appreciation of diverse cultures, and physical, social, and emotional wellness.

**Student/Teacher Ratio:** 19:1

**Seats Previously Offered:** preschool through grade 6

## Suffield District Information

**Website:** [www.suffield.org](http://www.suffield.org)

**Location:** 19 miles north of Hartford

**District Description:** Suffield Public Schools believes that one of its most important responsibilities is to work with parents and the community to prepare students to be confident, thoughtful, and contributing citizens, both now and throughout their lives. Suffield Public Schools assist students in developing these qualities by creating an atmosphere that fosters a sense of belonging and acceptance. Students are challenged and supported academically in an environment that fosters social-emotional wellness. The district continuously improves so that students have the best opportunity for future success.

**Student/Teacher Ratio:** 19:1

**Seats Previously Offered:** kindergarten

## West Hartford District Information

**Website:** [www.whps.org](http://www.whps.org)

**Location:** 4 miles west of Hartford

**District Description:** "Clear Paths. Bright Futures. No Limits."

West Hartford Public Schools has high expectations for all students. A commitment to continuous improvement provides students with a rigorous and relevant curriculum and a dynamic teaching environment. The district's mission, core values, and goals all serve to drive the purpose, focus, and work of West Hartford Public Schools. The District Model of Continuous Improvement is driven by the established goals and community expectations of the district's schools. West Hartford Public Schools expects every child to develop into a confident, responsible, respectful, and compassionate student who is academically well prepared, physically fit, and emotionally healthy to journey through the 21st century.

**Student/Teacher Ratio:** 15:1

**Seats Previously Offered:** kindergarten through grade 2, and grade 6