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CREC Location Providing Free Breakfast and Lunch to Students for Seamless Summer Option Food Program

(Hartford, Conn.) The Capitol Region Education Council (CREC) announces its participation in the federally funded Seamless Summer Option (SSO) of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP). Under the SSO, nutritious meals are provided free of charge to all children 18 years and younger.

This summer, CREC's participating location is CREC Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts High School (Credit Recovery Program) at 160-172 Huyshope Ave., Hartford, CT 06106. Breakfast is served from 9:15-9:30 a.m., and lunch is 11:30-11:55 a.m. The program runs Monday-Friday from Thursday, June 20, to Tuesday, July 23, 2024. The program is closed on Thursday, July 4, for the holiday.

Anyone interested in receiving more information should contact:

Kayleen Perez, Food Service Program Coordinator, 860-509-3793 147 Charter Oak Ave., Hartford, CT 06106

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 Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
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- 2. fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
- 3. Email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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