

Why is education important to Connecticut's future?

24 ways to get involved.

1. **Attend** an event and talk about education and the economy.
2. **Submit** an article for your local newspaper.
3. **Call in** to radio talk shows.
4. **Write** letters to the editor of your local paper.
5. **Surf** the internet for more data and facts from trustworthy sources.
6. **Work** with students in your local community.
7. **Participate** in local organizations that support education.
8. **Encourage** a legislator to conduct hearings, introduce legislation, speak in support and vote in favor of investing in education.
9. **Testify** at a Public Hearing in your community or at the Capitol.
10. **Read** news reports about education in local papers and periodicals.
11. **Organize** neighbors to support investments in education.
12. **Insist** on high standards and high performance, for all.
13. **Start** a petition, or sign one.

14. **Recognize** how essential education is if we are to solve challenges from transportation to housing, healthcare to energy – and more.
15. **Voice** your opinions.
16. **Begin** a blog on the internet or comment on one.
17. **Support** initiatives in your community that strengthen Connecticut's education system and opportunities for students to succeed.
18. **Offer** internships for students.
19. **Promote** initiatives that sustain education to improve Connecticut's quality of life.
20. **Develop** new collaborations and joint projects, involving education at different levels, and/or local business or community organizations.
21. **Be** a mentor.
22. **Connect** people from different fields who may have a common interest in Connecticut's education system.
23. **Become** a regular at Town Council, Board of Education, Chamber of Commerce or other public meetings.
24. **Advocate** for continued town meetings, conferences and conversations focusing on education and Connecticut's future.