

As Co-chair of the Hamden Partnership for Young Children, the local Council for School Readiness and Preschool Development Grant funded preschool programs, I am in support of SB 912 which expands the Bachelor Degrees allowable to meet early childhood staff qualifications to regionally accredited institutions outside of CT. These Degrees would include early childhood education, child study, child development, or human growth and development.

Kindly vote in favor of this change to ensure appropriately trained and qualified educators for Connecticut's youngest students.

Thank you.  
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