Magnet School In Manchester To Add Ninth Grade

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MANCHESTER —

Great Path Academy, an inter-district magnet school that now serves grades 10-12, will add a freshman class in the fall, according to a news release.

The school on the campus of Manchester Community College has set aside 80 seats for incoming ninth-graders, the release said. Great Path currently serves about 250 students in grades 10-12, the release said.

The school "offers students an educational experience that bridges the gap between high school and college by providing opportunities to enroll in college classes," the release said.

"The school is designed to provide an exceptional and innovative learning environment that helps students from diverse backgrounds develop the skills and knowledge needed for success in post-secondary education," the release said.

In early March, Hartford Superintendent Christina Kishimoto received permission from the city school board to finalize a five-year contract to manage Great Path. The school is Hartford's 13th magnet school, and the second outside city lines. The contract with Manchester Community College begins July 1.

The deadline for families to submit applications for Great Path is May 25. Applications are available at http://www.choiceeducation.org, or at the Regional School Choice Office, 165 Capitol Ave., Room 270, in Hartford.

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