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Mayor, US Congress, & CT Early Childhood Commissioner to celebrate Head Start & Early Childhood – Ribbon-Cutting of TEAM @ Slocum School in Waterbury

- Who?** TEAM's Head Start & Early Childhood Education initiatives are serving more than 400 young children (Prenatal to Age 5) and their families in the City of Waterbury. TEAM is a private, non-profit human services agency whose mission is to strengthen our communities by educating, supporting, and empowering individuals & families.
- What?** Waterbury Mayor Neil O'Leary, U.S. Congresswoman Jahana Hayes, and Connecticut Commissioner of Early Childhood Beth Bye will address 200 attendees at TEAM's Slocum School during the facility's public unveiling and ribbon-cutting. Local leaders and early childhood champions of Waterbury will be joined by the City of Waterbury, Waterbury Board of Education, Greater Waterbury Chamber, and TEAM staff to celebrate the significant renovations and establishment of a high-quality Head Start & Early Childhood facility for Waterbury's youngest learners and their families.
- When?** On April 24th beginning at approximately 8:30am – once speakers and the cutting of the ribbon is completed, TEAM staff will be available to provide guided tours of Slocum School.
- Where?** Slocum School, located at 25 Rumford Street, Waterbury (on the corner of Division Street and North Walnut Street)
- Why?** After 3 years of significant facilities & property renovations, TEAM staff and Waterbury Mayor Neil O'Leary will celebrate the achievements of TEAM in establishing a high-quality, two-generational Head Start and Early Childhood program for Waterbury's youngest and most vulnerable children and families (Prenatal – Age 5). TEAM's program provides comprehensive child development & family support services to young children (Prenatal – Age 5) and their families, including expectant mothers. Services range from infant/toddler & preschool education/childcare services to weekly home visitation as well as family childcare partnerships to provide comprehensive two-generational services for Waterbury's youngest and most vulnerable children and families.