

- Educational Program
- Specialized Therapeutic Services
- Vocational Experiences ranging from site visits/job shadowing to job placement

## Mission Statement

*The Children's Community Programs of CT, Inc. strives to provide quality educational experiences, which encourage growth to the highest potential. Our school programs are designed to reeducate students within a safe and supportive environment, in close proximity to their primary residence, in order to facilitate a successful return to mainstream society.*



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## Introduction

Great Hill Regional Academy is a regional special education and alternate education program serving students and their families living in the Naugatuck Valley region.

Specialized services are provided for adolescents with social, emotional, behavioral, and learning difficulties.

Great Hill Regional Academy's close proximity to the sending public schools enables students to transition back to mainstream educational environments with ease.

Great Hill Regional Academy believes that in order to provide the best possible education and treatment services for its students, a partnership between the program staff, parents, students, and school district must be established. Through partnership, each student can maximize his/her ability to accomplish individual goals and succeed at learning.

## Educational Philosophy

To provide a safe, nurturing, multidimensional educational community where students are encouraged and guided to experience emotional and academic growth. We strive to provide our students with the tools necessary to navigate successfully through life.

## Methods

- Emphasis on decision making and values clarification
- On-going assessment of knowledge and utilization of various learning styles
- Emphasis on assisting a student to experience success in the learning environment

## Overview of Courses

- Focus on close collaboration with sending school districts to ease transition and to ensure course credit
- Courses include English, Math, Social Studies, Science, Vocational Education, Physical Education, Health, Art, Career Education, and Consumer Education
- Strong emphasis on post secondary/transitional planning
- Curriculum aligned with the Connecticut Frameworks

## Clinical Philosophy

The treatment program provides the opportunity for each individual student to gain a better understanding of themselves and the world around them.

*Specialized therapeutic services include:*

- Individual therapy sessions to increase self-reflection, self-esteem, self-advocacy skills, and improve coping skills.
- Bi-Monthly parent meetings to engage the parents in the treatment/education process.
- Individual and/or group therapy sessions

## Positive Behavioral Support System

In collaboration with Connecticut Behavioral Health, LLC, Great Hill Regional Academy utilizes a positive behavioral support system throughout our academic day. This program provides the structure for positive behavior change and psychosocial and emotional growth for our students. On going support and training is provided by Connecticut Behavioral Health, LLC on a monthly basis. Great Hill Regional Academy and Connecticut Behavioral Health work together to implement and monitor the program to ensure its success.

Clinical services are provided by a certified school social worker.

