



## The Work of Children First Groton (CFG):

Subcommittees (work groups) exist to meet the goals of the collaborative:

- **COMMUNICATIONS**—to work on a public awareness campaign to increase knowledge of early childhood development.
- **EVENTS**—to organize early childhood community events.
- **LEGISLATIVE**—to meet face-to-face with elected officials to share information on early childhood issues.
- **NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTIONS**— to bring families together to share early childhood resources and services.
- **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**—to host round table discussions and professional development sessions for educators.
- **RECRUITMENT**— to build membership and support.
- **REGIONAL CONNECTIONS**— to represent CFG at regional meetings and activities of Children First Southeastern CT and Eat Smart, Grow Healthy.

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## CHILDREN FIRST GROTON



*Working together to  
improve the social,  
emotional, and academic  
performance of children  
birth through eight.*

## Who is Children First Groton?

Children First Groton (CFG) is made up of a diverse group of parents, educators, business leaders, government officials, and other Groton community members who believe it is our job as a whole community to ensure all young children reach their full potential for success!

Children First Groton (CFG) receives funding through the Discovery Initiative, a project of the William Caspar Graustein Memorial Fund. The group seeks to promote systemic change through discovering community needs related to early childhood issues.



### Our Vision:

- Early care and education is expected and respected by the Groton community. A full range of services is available to all families.

### Our Goals:

- To improve the social, emotional, and academic performance of children birth through eight.
- To strengthen connections between the early care system and elementary education.

### Our Objectives:

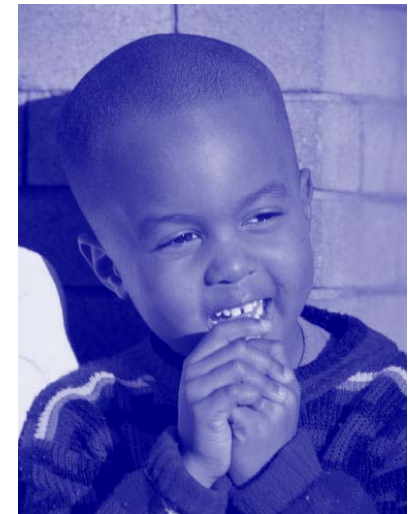
- To increase families' knowledge of programs and services that are available in Groton.
- To increase public awareness of the importance of early care and education.
- To facilitate professional learning opportunities for both early care providers and kindergarten teachers.

### Our Organization:

- The Committee meets monthly to facilitate the business needs of the group.
- Subcommittees (work groups) meet at a variety of times during the year to work on specific projects and achieve short-term goals.
- Children First Groton works in partnership with the Groton School Readiness Council.

## We Need You:

- To tell us your ideas, needs, desires, struggles, and experiences related to early childhood issues in Groton.
- To participate in events, training sessions, and activities hosted by the collaborative.
- To get involved in our projects and activities, to serve on subcommittees, to be a volunteer.



## For more information:

To hear more about the Children First Groton or to find out how you may become more involved, contact:

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