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## **CAREERCONN 2020 State's Largest Career and Occupational Expo Being Rescheduled**

*COVID-19 concerns prompt officials to postpone March 19th gathering that was expected to attract over 1,600 students, adult learners & veterans.*

**HARTFORD, CONN (March 10, 2020)** Organizers of the inaugural [CareerCONN2020](#) announced Tuesday that they are postponing the March 19<sup>th</sup> Expo at the Dunkin' Donuts Park amid concerns about the spread of COVID-19, also known as coronavirus. The decision follows Governor Lamont's recent directive to all state agencies to postpone events that involve bringing together more than 100 individuals.

Over 1,600 high school students from 40 school systems plus adult learners and veterans and 35 occupational schools from across the state were registered for CareerCONN which was organized by the Connecticut Office of Higher Education.

Office of Higher Education Executive Director Tim Larson said the decision was a difficult one.

"After careful consideration we felt this was the best course of action," he said. "As educators, we are well aware of the risk associated with COVID-19 and the potential threat it poses to our attendees from throughout the state and wish to keep everyone safe."

Larson added that CareerConn2020 will be rescheduled for a date in the fall.

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