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Geno Auriemma to visit Betances School on Tuesday, June 10 at 8:30 a.m.

UCONN Womens' Basketball coach, Geno Auriemma, will address a full school assembly at Betances Elementary School, 42 Charter Oak Avenue, Hartford on Tuesday, June 10 at 8:30 a.m.

Auriemma will accept a contribution, on behalf of the NEW Hartford Education Foundation, from *Step Up For Children* (a not for profit organization founded to raise money to provide healthful recreational opportunities for Hartford school children).

The donation from *Step Up For Children* contributes to the Hartford Education Foundation's broader effort to increase public involvement and support of the Hartford Public Schools.

Created in 2002, the Hartford Education Foundation is independent of, but works closely with, the Hartford Public Schools. It joins the ranks of nearly 100 other public education funds across the country, created to improve the quality of public education. The recipients of its first initiative, Mini-Grants for Teachers, will be announced in a few weeks.

Hartford Education Foundation Board members are Lorraine Aronson, Geno Auriemma, George Bahamonde, Ron Copes, Laura Estes, Robert Furek, Joseph Gianni, Steve Harris, Denise Nappier, and Peter Rosa.

Tom Ritter and board members of Hartford Education Foundation and *Step Up For Children* will attend the Tuesday event.

THIS IS A GREAT PHOTO OPPORTUNITY FOR MEDIA!

To learn more about Hartford Education Foundation visit www.hartfordeducationfoundation.org or contact Jackie Hardy, Hartford Public Schools' Senior Director of Parent, Corporate and Community Affairs at (860) 695-8409.

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