



Classical Magnet School Celebrates Grand Opening

Classical Magnet School Principal Timothy Sullivan Jr., Mayor Perez and School Superintendent Robert Henry cut the ribbon to officially open the Classical Magnet School, May 3, 2006.

The Greater Hartford Classical Magnet School, held its formal grand opening ceremonies Wednesday, May 3. Classical Magnet is one of 10 magnet schools managed by the Hartford Public Schools in response to the Sheff vs. O'Neill school desegregation case.

Timothy J. Sullivan Jr., Classical's Principal, Hartford Mayor and School Board Chairman Eddie A. Perez and School Superintendent Robert Henry, members of the Hartford Board of Education, and other dignitaries, joined school faculty, parents, students and friends in celebrating the completion of the \$36.4 million, 152,000 square-foot building, located at the corner of Woodland St. and Asylum Ave. The renovated and expanded building was once an insurance company.

The school features state of the art technology, a black box theater, gymnasium, library, television studio, seven computer labs, fitness room, dance studio, and more. The included speeches, student performances and tours of the facility.

Classical Magnet currently has 466 students in grades 6 through 12. Seventy percent come from Hartford, the rest are from surrounding towns. Eventually, the school will enroll 700 students. One hundred percent of the cost of the school building project is funded by the State of Connecticut.