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**YWCA Hartford Region Announcing Meredith Martineau as
Director of Early Learning**

Hartford, CT- [YWCA Hartford Region](#) is pleased to announce Meredith Martineau as the Director of Early Learning.

Martineau joined YWCA Hartford Region in 2008 as a Head Teacher in the toddler room at West Hartford's Elmwood Early Learning & Childcare Center. In 2011, she was promoted to Site Manager at East Hartford Early Learning & Childcare Center. In 2013, she became the organization's first Instructional Leader. As the Instructional Leader, Martineau was responsible for aligning curriculum, augmenting instructional standards and enforcing guidelines empowering teachers to provide consistent, high-quality instruction to all children. In her new role as the Director of Early Learning, Martineau oversees YWCA's four Early Learning & Childcare Centers in East Hartford, Hartford, Manchester and West Hartford.

Martineau is currently serving on the board of HAEYC (Hartford Association for the Education of Young Children) and is a certified Circle of Security Parent Educator.

"Meredith has been instrumental in improving the quality of our preschool programs and assuring that we close the achievement gap for our most vulnerable children," said Deborah Ullman, CEO, YWCA Hartford Region. "Meredith has been a valuable member of our staff; we are privileged to have someone so knowledgeable and passionate about young children to inspire excellence in our early learning staff."

YWCA's Early Learning & Childcare Centers serve nearly 300 families in the greater Hartford region, providing high-quality care for infants, toddlers and preschoolers. YWCA is helping children prepare for success in kindergarten and beyond by closing the achievement gap, while focusing on the values of diversity and respect for others.

YWCA's Early Learning & Childcare Programs in East Hartford, Hartford and West Hartford are NAYEC accredited. Spaces are available at all centers and registration is open. To learn more about our Early Learning & Childcare Centers please visit www.ywc Hartford.org.

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