

Murphy Announces Funding For Danbury Family Literacy Center

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"Learning to read unlocks so much for our kids, stimulating their imaginations and opening doors to knowledge. The Family Literacy Center will provide the tools Danbury needs to ensure that their kids are ready to learn and parents can keep them on the path to success," said Murphy.

The Center will provide support and resources to families in Danbury to foster child and family education success. This funding provides the seed money to establish the Center and purchase materials and services, and will position the Danbury Public Schools to seek additional grants to sustain the Center.

Murphy was joined by Dr. Sal Pascarella, Superintendent of Danbury Schools and Dr. William Glass, Associate Superintendent.

"The Danbury Board of Education has placed a major emphasis on parent involvement, and with this grant we will be able to support parents and students in ways our regular budget could not afford to," said Dr. Pascarella.

In recent weeks, both the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate passed H.R. 1105, the 2009 Omnibus Appropriations bill, sending it out of Congress and to President Obama's desk for his signature. This legislation, which includes the \$262,000 for Danbury's Family Literacy Center project, wraps up work on the Fiscal Year 2009 appropriations bills, and works in tandem with the economic recovery package, making investments that address the country's immediate needs while investing in our long-term economic strength.

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