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Dear CT Special Education Director,

Sparkler is eager to help you make developmental screening and other resources accessible and available to families of 0-5 year olds across Connecticut.

Sparkler is an evidence-based, mobile platform, available in English and Spanish, which is working with the Connecticut Office of Early Childhood to help fuel healthy early childhood development. Sparkler offers:

1. **Tracking tools** to monitor children's social-emotional, cognitive, communication, and physical development, including the Ages & Stages Questionnaires®.
2. **Content** that helps parents/caregivers support their children's learning and development. Sparkler has a library of 1500+ play-based learning activities developed by early childhood educators, and is adding more all the time.
3. **Messaging tools** to give parents/caregivers advice and support.

When you and other school districts across the state promote Sparkler, you're helping Connecticut families to access screening and other tools, so they can get the support they need for their young children. (If a family takes the ASQ and needs additional support, our partners at 211 Child Development will reach out and help them.) By promoting Sparkler, you are also giving families access to high-quality materials that will empower them to support their children's healthy early development.

How You Can Get Started:

Please post the attached materials on your district's website. You can also feel free to share information about this opportunity on your district's social media or through other channels you use to communicate with families.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out: support@playsparkler.org. Thank you, and we look forward to working with you on this exciting new collaboration!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Julia Levy".

Julia Levy

Executive Director, Sparkler Learning