



New Hampshire

Department of Education

Friday Forum

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- This week, NHED launched its partnership with **College Guidance Network** to [expand access to college and career guidance](#) for every high school student in the state, as well as their families and school counselors. Schools may register [here](#).
- Congratulations to two NH seniors that have been named as 2023 **U.S. Presidential Scholars** – Aaron Joy of Phillips Exeter Academy and Sora S. Shirai of Hanover High School. These two students were among a [cohort of 161 high school seniors](#) being recognized for their accomplishments in academics.
- The NH Excellence in Education Awards Board has announced the selection of the 2023 **Schools of Excellence** award winners. Congratulations to Swasey Central School in Brentwood, Chester Academy in Chester, Merrimack Valley Middle School in Penacook and Pembroke Academy in Pembroke for being recognized as meeting high standards of excellence.
- **PerformancePlus** (Performance Tracker) will be sunseting on June 30 as the result of the vendor's (Powerschool) decision to end service and support to PerformancePlus. We know that many schools and districts access PerformancePlus through MyNHDOE and we are working to find a new solution that will continue to provide access to statewide assessment data and analysis. In the meantime, you may visit [iPlatform](#) on the Department's website for state, district and local assessment data and analysis and, as always, you will continue to have access to student-specific assessment data and results through the various assessment administration platforms (TIDE, etc.).
- **End of year i4see reporting** will go live on May 15. Submissions for EOY enrollment, free and reduced meals and home school data must be batch verified no later than June 23 and certified by the superintendent no later than July 7. Other submissions, including college and career readiness and civics, EOY academics, credits and GPA, extended learning opportunities and virtual instruction/remote learning must be batch verified by July 31 and certified by the superintendent no later than Aug. 11.
- The **Bureau of Federal Compliance** would like to share its [May newsletter](#).
- The National Center for Competency Based Learning is hosting a series of [listening sessions](#) on the proposed draft of the **Ed 306 rules** (Minimum Standards for Public Schools Approval). At least nine sessions have been scheduled and more are in the process of being planned.

Please reach out to Fred Bramante of NCCBL at fbramante@nccbl.org to schedule a listening session in your region.

- **Tutor.com** is hosting an [Ice Cream Throwdown Sundae Funday](#), and will provide a NH school with the greatest participation rate of live tutoring sessions or writing submissions (from May 1-26) with an ice cream party during the first week of June. So far, we have Berlin, Nottingham, Merrimack, Windham and Bedford in the lead.
- NHED and **321 Insight** will host the last series of in-person professional development for the school year on May 16-18. The focus will be on trauma-informed practices and classroom proven strategies to address challenging behavior. Sessions will take place on May 16 at Keene State College, May 17 at North Country Education Services in Gorham and May 18 at the NHED offices in Concord. [Register by May 13](#).
- **Discovery Education** learning platform provides teachers with the tools they need to increase engagement and personalize learning. To ensure educators are aware of and comfortable using this resource, consider taking advantage of the FREE professional learning included in the NH statewide agreement. Schedule professional learning that meets the needs of your school. Contact nrose@discoveryed.com to learn more.
- **Learn Everywhere Spotlight!** [Russian School of Mathematics](#) uses the rigorous study of mathematics to develop students' math fluency, intellect and character. Students are guided to think about math logically and conceptually, building deep connections between concepts. RSM is approved to offer high school credit in Algebra I, Algebra II, Precalculus I, Intro to Calculus, Geometry, Trigonometry, AP Calculus, BC and AP Statistics.
- NHED launched its third year of **ReKINDling Curiosity** – hoping to ensure that every child who wants to attend a fun and engaging summer camp this year has the opportunity. Please share this [flyer](#) with families, which outlines scholarship and eligibility information.
- NHED and Tutor.com partnered to provide 24/7 online **tutoring for students in grades 6-12** throughout the state. School districts are being encouraged to [register](#) for Tutor.com's free access for their students. This program meets all data privacy requirements.
- NHED partnered with **Graduation Alliance** to provide 1-1 mentoring for students in need of an extra layer of support to boost school engagement and academic success during the school year. Students who choose to participate in the program will be assigned an academic coach at no cost. Contact Christian Shiverdecker at 603-758-3259 to get set up.

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