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Messages From the Department of Education

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DATA AND DATA TRAINING SESSIONS

A. End Of Year (EOY) i4see (Initiative for School Empowerment and Excellence)

The EOY Enrollment and Sped Public data will be used this year in August for accountability reporting. The data will also be used in July for NECAP Science reporting. Please be sure your data is entered and confirmed as accurate by the **DUE DATES BELOW**. This data is also used mid-September for the Adequacy Aide funding calculation. i4see has set the following dates as the end of year submission schedule for 2015-16:

- June 1 - July 15 – Sped Public Submission and EOY Enrollment for sped nonpublic students
- June 1 - July 15 – Final 2016 EOY Submissions (both EOY Enrollment and EOY Academic) – submissions should be district verified by July 15 – Do NOT certify at this time
- June 1 - July 15 – State Scholar submissions for participating High Schools are due
- June 1 - July 15 – Credits and GPA submissions for High Schools are due
- June 1 - July 15 – Home School submissions for participating High Schools are due
- July 15 - August 1 – All state anomalies MUST be resolved and District Reports confirmed
- August 3 – Superintendents “certify” EOY submissions and print, complete, sign and send “Tuition Report Receiving,” “Nonpublic 15-16 Special Education Students (A13N),” and “Nonpublic 15-16 Non-Special Education Students (A13 Other)” reports
- August 3 – Submission Course and Student Class Submission for 15-16 (please include the student course grade (e.g. A+, 90, Withdrawn, etc.) if you can
- August 3 - October 1 – The DOE will review all submissions and contact schools with questions
- November 1 (or sooner, if complete) – Superintendents should print, sign and submit end of year reports “ADM Report” and “Determination Sign Off”

For the 2016-17 school year, please submit the *Student Roster Submission* by August 15th for all grades. This data for the 2016-17 school year will help us populate Performance+ as well as provide important information through the Early Warning System.

Contact: Mike Cote, (603) 271-2775, i4see.help@doe.nh.gov

GRANTS and REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS

ALL RFPs Can be Found on the Department Website at
www.education.nh.gov/rfp/index.htm

A. Title III, Part A (English Language Acquisition) Sub grants

The NH DOE is inviting eligible LEAs (or LEA consortia) to apply for a Title III (English Language Acquisition) sub grant for 2016-17. Interested LEAs need to send an e-mail notifying Marie Blanchard, Title III Program Assistant, of “INTENT TO APPLY,” before Friday, July 29, 2016, and submit a completed application by Friday, August 26, 2016. All Title III grant resources can be viewed at www.education.nh.gov/instruction/integrated/title_iii.htm#grant.

Contact: Aaron Hughes, (603) 271-2034, Aaron.Hughes@doe.nh.gov

B. Creating Trauma-Sensitive Schools Request for Proposals

The Bureau of Special Education, Office of Student Wellness, is seeking proposals from individuals, agencies or organizations to work in conjunction with the Office of Student Wellness to build State and local capacity to create and support trauma-sensitive schools. The successful proposal will identify and implement strategies to enhance the priorities of the Office of Student Wellness relative to the development of trauma-informed schools and community systems which recognize the prevalence of ACEs amongst students and staff; realize the potential impact(s) of exposure to adversity of learning, development, and mental/behavioral health problems and respond to these circumstances by creating a state-level coordinated approach to improve the safety and well being of students and staff. Deadline for Receipt of Proposals: Friday, July 22, 2016.

Contact: Terry Stafford (603) 271-3720, Terry.Stafford@doe.nh.gov

C. Initiative for School Empowerment and Excellence (i4see) and Statewide Longitudinal Data System (SLDS) Related Initiatives

The purpose of this RFP is to seek proposals for an individual or organization to assist the Department of Education in three areas: 1) Completion of the i4see system used to collect student level data for public education students and the PerformancePLUS (P+) system used by schools to improve instruction, 2) Completion of the SLDS grant activities, 3) Complete the transition to a fully implemented in-house system of collection and exchange of data for the state-wide student assessment. Extensive knowledge within the areas of systems design and technical implementations, data warehousing, strategic planning, research, and data use to inform instruction is required. An understanding of school assessments, knowledge of school student information systems and experience with K-12 education is required. Knowledge of the i4see Data System, P+ tool and experience with SLDS are also desired. Deadline for Receipt of Proposals: 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 13, 2016.

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HEARINGS

504.05 and 504.06 - Paraeducator

There will be a public hearing on August 15, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. at the Department of Education, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord. Deadline for written comment is August 29, 2016.

Ed 507.14 and Ed 614.07 - School Social Worker

There will be a public hearing on August 15, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at the Department of Education, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord. Deadline for written comment is August 29, 2016.

Ed 507.49 and Ed 612.32 - Dance Education

There will be a public hearing on August 15, 2016 at 11:15 a.m. at the Department of Education, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord. Deadline for written comment is August 29, 2016.

Ed 507.12 and Ed 614.02 - Reading and Writing Specialist

There will be a public hearing on August 15, 2016 at 11:30 a.m. at the Department of Education, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord. Deadline for written comment is August 29, 2016.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

A. Cohort 3 Universal Design for Learning Academy

The Bureau of Special Education is pleased to announce the posting of the application for Cohort 3 Universal Design for Learning Academy (a program of CAST, funded by the NH Department of Education, Bureau of Special Education). During the 2016-2017 school year the CAST Professional Learning Team proposes to provide New Hampshire educators with professional customized learning opportunities that build capacity in the implementation and roll out of Universal Design for Learning (UDL) as a systemic framework for education decision-making. Deadline for proposals is 4:00 p.m., Friday, July 15, 2016 For more information go to www.education.nh.gov/instruction/special_ed/memos/index.htm (Memo #36 2016-2017 New Hampshire Universal Design for Learning Academy Cohort 3 Application)

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

A. Back To School: Legal Issues For New Hampshire School Nurses

The Department of Education invites school nurses to a workshop on August 25, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. - noon at the Plymouth State University Building in Concord for a review of current law, new legislation, and certification issues. There will also be a group discussion of the day-to-day issues that school nurses face. In order to best facilitate this discussion, please e-mail Nancy Wells with a brief description of an issue or situation that you have faced.

Contact: Nancy Wells, (603) 271-2960, Nancy.Wells@doe.nh.gov

B. Self-Paced Tutorials available online from OPEN NH.

In an effort to assist schools in providing training for ALL school related employees, volunteers, substitute teachers and others, **NH e-Learning for Educators Project**, coordinated through the *Office of Educational Technology*, offers short online tutorial training on a variety of subjects. Each tutorial will earn professional development hours upon successful completion that can be used for re-certification and licensing continuing education units. For more information about the tutorials and online registration, visit <http://nheon.org/opennh/tutorials/index.html>.

- **Bullying Awareness and Prevention (3-hours), \$10.00**
- **The NH 3 Tiered Bullying Prevention and Intervention Model (5-hours, \$25.00.**
- **Substitute Teaching: Tools and Tips for Success (5-hours), \$25.00**
- **Ten Technology Skills for Learning and Teaching (15-hours), \$75.00**
- **Developing Successful Online Teaching and Learning Practices (10-hours), \$50.00**

- **Food Service Workers earn CEUs through Online Tutorials**

In an effort to assist schools in providing training for food service personnel and managers, **NH e-Learning for Educators**, coordinated through the *Office of Educational Technology*, in partnership with the *Bureau of Nutrition Programs and Services*, has developed a series of short online tutorials training on a variety of food service related tutorials. These self-paced online tutorials are offered through **OPEN**

NH. Each tutorial will earn professional development hours upon successful completion that can be used for re-certification and licensing continuing education units. There is no cost to register for these tutorials for all food service personnel currently working in New Hampshire public schools. For more information about the tutorials and online registration, visit

<http://www.opennh.net/course/index.php?categoryid=33>

Contact: Stan Freeda, (603) 271-5132, or Stanley.Freeda@doe.nh.gov

C. OPEN NH Summer 2016 Session Online Professional Development Courses

Registrations are now being accepted for the **OPEN NH Summer 2016 Session** courses. The 7 week, 35 hour online professional development courses begin on July 6th and continue through August 23rd. The registration fee for OPEN NH professional development courses is \$130. The list of OPEN NH professional development courses offered during the upcoming OPEN NH Sessions can be found on the website at www.opennh.org, select Courses, select Current Course Schedule. OPEN NH offers a variety of group discount deals for SAUs, districts, or schools. Graduate credits are available through Plymouth State University at additional per credit cost \$30 registration fee. Online registration is only available for individuals. District Cohorts at reduced fees are also offered. Cohorts must use a single group registration form via email to the OPEN NH Project Coordinator. Details for both procedures are available at www.opennh.org. **OPEN NH** is part of the **NH e-Learning for Educators Project**, a program of the **New Hampshire Department of Education**, coordinated through the *Office of Educational Technology*.

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- **New Professional Development Course and Opportunity for ESOL Educators from Title III at the Department of Education**

The Title III Program is offering reimbursement for ESOL professional development online this Summer through the **OPEN NH** program. **LT-10 Identifying ELLs with Specific Learning Disabilities** is a course for classroom teachers, administrators, ESOL teachers, Special Educators, and other interested educators that are seasoned educators that have knowledge, experience, and practice working with English Language Learners. The course focuses on identifying ELLs that also have a learning disability. You will explore the current laws related to ELLs and special education to gain a better understanding of them. You will also be guided through the special education process, through the IEP as it relates to the ELL. Case studies, as well as individual activities, will be used to help you gain a deeper understanding of strategies to consider with ELLs that have a specific learning disability. See registration information above.

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- **Partnership between NH e-Learning for Educators and Academy of Applied Science**

The **Young Inventors' Program** is one of the core programs administered by the Academy of Applied Science. Created by New Hampshire teachers as a means to introduce the creativity-inspiring challenge of inventing into the classroom, the program

has enjoyed a long and successful run. A Training workshop begins online through Open NH (<http://nheon.org/opennh/courses/courses-aas.html>). The cost for OPEN NH courses is \$130 but the Title III office will reimburse qualified New Hampshire educators who successfully complete this course. Contact the Title III Office (Aaron.Hughes@doe.nh.gov) for qualifications and more information.

Contact: Nicole MacMillan, Director, nmacmillan@aas-world.org

D. NH ConnectEd is a project of the **NH Society for Technology in Education** (www.NHSTE.org). Events from participating educational organizations are posted on this calendar for your convenience. NHSTE is connecting with a variety of professional organizations to develop their collaborative professional development calendar. If your educational organization would like to participate in NH ConnectEd, contact the Office of Educational Technology for details. Professional development opportunities are also shared on the NH ConnectED Listserv. Join at <http://mylist.net/listinfo/nhconnected>. View the NH ConnectED Calendar at <https://nhoetnews.wordpress.com/events-calendar/>.

RESOURCES

A. Take the Pledge to Become a New Hampshire Future Ready School

The Future Ready Schools Initiative is a bold new effort to maximize digital learning opportunities and help school districts move quickly toward preparing students for success in college, a career, and citizenship. The US Department of Education initiative will provide districts with resources and support to ensure that local technologies and digital learning plans align with best practices in teaching and learning. When implemented by highly trained teachers, digital learning leads to personalized learning experiences for all students, particularly those from traditionally underserved communities. New Hampshire Superintendents are encouraged to **Take the Pledge** to commit to implementing meaningful changes that transition your schools toward a digital learning that supports teachers and students with becoming future ready. To learn more about **Future Ready Schools** and take the pledge, visit <http://futureready.org/about-the-effort/take-the-pledge>. To learn more about **Future Ready Schools in New Hampshire** visit <http://nheon.org/futureready>.

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B. TechWomen Ambassadors Week 2016

The NH High Tech Council's TechWomen|TechGirls committee is in planning stages for the 2nd Annual TechWomen Ambassadors Week 2016 for 9th grade students. This year the events will take place the week of November 14 – 18, 2016. The theme is *STEMspiration to Explore STEM Careers*. This one day, two hour event will take place at several high schools across the state. The Governor's Proclamation of the highly successful TechWomen Ambassadors Week last year included 10 schools at 5 locations, 400 9th Grade Girls, 245 High School Attendees and 89 TechWomen Ambassadors encouraging students to seek higher education paths to careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. TechWomen Ambassadors represented various high tech industry sectors including aerospace, robotics, biotech, computing, engineering, green tech offered their expertise and hands-on demonstrations. We are looking to expand the event to include more schools. If

your high school has an interest in participating, please contact Carol Miller, committee chair at 603-271-2591 or e-mail Carol at carol.miller@dred.nh.gov.

OTHER

Sports And Fitness Are Key Players In This Year's Summer Reading Program

This summer librarians around New Hampshire are encouraging people of all ages to make sure their reading skills stay in shape as well. As part of this year's national Collaborative Summer Library Program theme "On Your Mark, Get Set, READ!" young readers throughout New Hampshire will be visiting their public libraries to check out and read books about sports, fitness and health in their many forms. Children's librarians across New Hampshire have embraced the fitness theme and have run with it, creating special summertime programs that focus on a wide range of activities, from the Olympics to nutrition to yoga. Performers from the State Library's "Kids, Books and the Arts" roster will hold special events at libraries throughout the state. To participate in "On Your Mark, Get Set, READ!" families should visit their local public library.

Advanced Manufacturing Video Contest

New Hampshire middle school educators are invited to participate in the third annual What's So Cool About Manufacturing? video contest. Initiated by the Department of Resources and Economic Development, the contest introduces 7th and 8th grade students to advanced manufacturing. As advances are made in the way things are manufactured, a new generation of workers is needed to answer the increasing demand for high tech, innovative jobs. Details are available at www.nheconomy.com/videocontest. Staff from DRED will help to match schools with local manufacturers to produce a 3-minute video. The top three videos, as determined by an outside panel, are awarded cash prizes. The deadline for entries is Feb. 10, 2017. For more information, contact Lorna Colquhoun, lorna.colquhoun@dred.nh.gov.

Summer Writing Conference for Teens

The New Hampshire Writers' Project (NHWP), a partner of the Center for the Book at the NH State Library, is collaborating with the Nashua Community College Honors Program to run a week-long summer conference for teen writers of fiction, nonfiction, drama, and poetry the week of July 18-22, 2016. The conference will include seminars and workshops to help teen writers take their work to a new level. Short-story writer Tim Horvath will offer the keynote address and a seminar for attendees. Additional seminars in fiction, poetry, drama, and nonfiction narrative will be offered by local writers and writing teachers. Details, including cost and registration information are at <http://tinyurl.com/nhwpteen16>.

Association of Teachers of Mathematics In New England Annual Conference

This annual conference is taking place October 20-21, 2016 at the Radisson Hotel in Manchester. For more information go to <https://sites.google.com/a/nhmathteachers.org/atmne2016>.

Creating A Green School: Inspiring Students to Take Action

This three-day workshop focuses on using the Project Learning Tree (PLT) Green Schools model to improve student learning and promote stewardship. Upper elementary school through high school teachers will find the materials and activities in this workshop useful in designing units and programs aligned to NGSS to help students learn skills and make sound

choices about the school environment. Two of the three days will include exploring specific investigations and activities around energy, water, waste and recycling, and environmental quality. A whole day will focus on investigating the school site and actions that can be taken to improve it. To register or for more information go to www.nhplt.org.

Upcoming IOD Workshops & Webinars

The IOD is offering several unique and comprehensive leadership and professional education products and services. A full listing can be found on their Web site at <http://iod.unh.edu/Services/professional-development.aspx>.

33rd Annual School Nurses Conference

Challenges and Changes in Today's School Nursing will take place August 1–August 3, 2016 at Saint Anselm College in Manchester. To register or for more information go to www.anselm.edu/cne.

NH Manufacturing Week 2016

Middle schools, high schools, and CTE centers can sign up for NH Manufacturing Week industry tours right now. To learn more visit: <http://education.nh.gov/career/career/index.htm> or contact Jill Duddy at jilliand@nhmep.org.

National Anthem Sing-A-Long

The Star-Spangled Banner will be sung by school children nationwide on Friday, September 9, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. EST. Students will learn about the words and meaning of the flag and sing the first stanza. This will be the third annual simultaneous sing-a-long event. This event honors the resilience of America in turbulent times – whether 9/11 or the War of 1812 – and educates our nation's schoolchildren about the words, meaning, music and history of Francis Scott Key's National Anthem. A companion curriculum is made available to teachers across the U.S. at no cost. For more information go to www.theapef.org/national-anthem-sing-a-long.