



## *Friday Forum*

October 13, 2023

- Olympic gold medalist and all-time World Cup champion skier **Bode Miller** is laying down tracks for others to follow as part of NHED's ongoing campaign to [instill the love of reading](#) and enhance reading proficiency among the state's youth.
- Boston College School of Social Work, in partnership with NHED, is hosting a [series](#) of webinars focused on the importance of **free play and age-mixed play**. Educators are invited to participate.
- A reminder from the NH Department of Safety for schools to [submit](#) their **Emergency Operations Plans/Self-Assessment** by Oct. 15.
- The 2023 National Summit on K-12 [School Safety and Security](#) will be hosted by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency on Nov. 1-2.
- FBI Boston and Massachusetts State Police are hosting [webinars](#) at 3 p.m., 5 p.m., and 8 p.m. on Oct. 24 aimed to assist school administrators with responding to and investigating **bomb threats and swatting hoaxes**.
- The 2023 Arts Partnership Conference, *Woven: Gathering at the Intersections*, will be held Oct. 27-28 at Sanborn Mills Farm in Loudon. Workshops will highlight **NH artists** and projects happening across the state. Register [here](#).
- Michael Smith, the **NH Agriculture in the Classroom** coordinator, is interested in speaking to teachers, administrators and curriculum directors about the agriculture programming available to educators in grades K-12. Ag in the Classroom has lessons covering a variety of topics in science, chemistry, environmental science and STEM. Email [nhaitc@nhfarmbureau.org](mailto:nhaitc@nhfarmbureau.org) to get set up with a meeting or school visit.
- **LearningBlade** is highlighting its "Intro to Coding" course as a valuable resource for teachers in its October [newsletter](#).
- **Know & Tell**, an education program of the Granite State Children's Alliance, is designed to educate all adults to know the signs of abuse and tell responsible authorities when a child needs help. [Training sessions](#) are available on Dec. 13 and Feb. 6.

- **The Reading League** is hosting its New Hampshire Chapter Awareness [meeting](#) at 7 p.m. on Oct. 19.
- The **International Dyslexia Association**-NNEA virtual [conference](#) will be held Oct. 26-27.
- The [NASA TechRise Student Challenge](#) is a free, national **STEM contest** for students in grades 6-12. The challenge is open for entries until Oct. 20.
- **TeachUNITED** is collaborating with ACT to launch a new [pilot study](#) aimed at measuring the effect that educator efficacy training and coaching has in the classroom.
- ARMI | BioFabUSA is proud to announce the launch of the first-in-the-nation Biofabrication Technician Registered Apprenticeship [Program](#). In this rigorously designed program, participants will receive free training in the basic skills and cutting-edge technology of **biofabrication** and earn BCSI micro-credentials. This opportunity is for recent high school graduates, veterans and their adult family members and career changers.

### ***Resources for Educators***

- **Graduation Alliance** provides 1-1 mentoring for students in need of an extra layer of support to boost school engagement and academic success. Call 603-758-3259 to get set up.
- Online, 24/7 tutoring is available at no cost for students in grades 6-12 through a partnership with **Tutor.com**. Students may [register](#) at any time.
- **College Guidance Network** offers all NH high school counselors, students and families free [access](#) to its library of on-demand and career resources.

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