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To: Superintendents of Schools
Directors of Special Education

From: Office of the Commissioner

Division of Educational Improvement
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Re: 2016-2017 New Hampshire Universal Design for Learning (UDL) Rural Teacher Coaching Program in Literacy

The New Hampshire Department of Education (NHDOE), Bureau of Special Education is pleased to announce the 2016-2017 New Hampshire Universal Design for Learning UDL Rural Teacher Coaching Program in Literacy.

This year long project will provide support to teams of teachers in rural New Hampshire school districts to work together to improve the literacy engagement and academic outcomes for students K-12. CAST, in partnership with the NHDOE, Bureau of Special Education and a foundation grant, is pleased to offer an intensive professional learning and coaching opportunity designed to support school teams in integrating the principles of Universal Design for Learning (UDL) with current researched based practice to create increased student engagement in literacy. The New Hampshire UDL Rural Teacher Coaching Program in Literacy is a hybrid model of face-to-face and online learning opportunities supplemented by in-district, on-site coaching and remote coaching that supports the implementation of newly developed skills in classrooms. In addition to direct support in learning about UDL and using UDL to improve engagement in literacy, school teams will work with CAST coaches to build sustainable toolkits to spread the best practices learned and used over the year to others in rural districts throughout the State of New Hampshire.

If your district is interested in participating in the 2016-2017 New Hampshire Universal Design for Learning UDL Rural Teacher Coaching Program in Literacy, please complete the application located at: <http://tinyurl.com/UDLNHApplication>. The deadline for receipt of applications is 4:00pm, Friday, September 16, 2016,

For more information about the New Hampshire UDL Rural Teacher Coaching Program in Literacy please contact Mary Lane at Mary.Lane@doe.nh.gov /603 271-3740.

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