UNH Offers SEL Training In April
Teach social-emotional learning (SLE) through academics with featured speaker Mike Anderson. Learn how to weave SEL skills right into the fabric of daily instruction using simple and practical strategies. Join other passionate and dedicated educators for a great day of learning and be ready to bring back lots of new strategies and skills to enhance student learning.
The training runs from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 11, at the Red Jacket Mountain View Resort in North Conway. Cost $219, six contact hours. Learn more and register: training.unh.edu/selearning.
Participants are eligible for a discounted rate of $119 per night, plus tax, and $20 per person for the waterpark at the Red Jacket Inn (rates available Wednesday to Friday). Call the reservation line at 800-752-2538 to reserve a room.

Become A WET Educator
The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services has an exciting workshop about water science and certification as a Project WET Educator. Formal and non-formal educators are welcome. The workshop focuses on the interrelationships between watersheds, land use changes, and green design for students in Grade 4 to Grade 7. These hands-on, STEM-friendly activities are interdisciplinary and challenge students with science, engineering, social studies, English and math concepts. Activities are correlated to the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). Educators who complete the training will have the Project WET 2.0 Guide, NGSS correlations and the ability to borrow activity kits and other tools for free from NH DES. Experience Next Generation Science Standard practices in action and learn how to implement hands-on activities into your classroom on Friday, March 29, in Manchester.
To register visit: https://www.des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/dwgb/wet/documents/wet-workshop-flyer.pdf For more info, contact Lara Hooper at lara.hooper@des.nh.gov or 603-271-4071.

Howard Muscott SEL Strategies Training
Accentuate the Positive: Strategies for Social/Emotional and Behavioral Challenges, a professional development and training opportunity offered by UNH, features speaker Howard Muscott. Educators will learn evidenced-based, classroom-based prevention and response strategies designed to support students with social, emotional and/or behavioral challenges.
The training is from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, at UNH Manchester. Cost $220, six contact hours. https://training.unh.edu/positivestrategies.

Expanding Curriculum With The GeoGebra Application
This course explores the practical usages of the GeoGebra application in teaching. Skills for creating visually interactive user-friendly applets will be developed. Students learn about underlying programming structures/commands and then work to create an online portfolio of demonstrations, games, and interactive challenges which will help them to expand the curriculum. Adding the GeoGebra application to your teaching toolbox can completely change the way you teach math.
These unique learning opportunities will beg for new questions to be asked. Students will interact with these new challenges in new ways and will create and manipulate, analyze and draw conclusions in ways that they never did before. This course is appropriate for middle school and high school level math teachers and is good for three graduate credits at Endicott College for $600. The personal enrichment course costs $210.

For more information about this online course, contact Matthew Krebs, M.Ed. at mattkrebsemail@gmail.com or LearnGeoGebra.com.

MTSS-B Training For Your Team
Many schools continue to struggle with the complex social, emotional, and behavioral needs of students and staff alike. Failure to meet these needs not only affects school climate and culture, it also has an adverse effect on overall academic achievement, and can result in negative schools outcomes such as mental health crises, substance misuse, high school dropout, poor academic engagement, and negative relationships. Addressing these needs has never more important and requires more than quick fixes and one-day workshops. The evidence-based MTSS-B framework for student behavioral health and wellness (the “B” in MTSS-B) has been shown to improve student engagement, create school climates and cultures that are positive and inclusive of all students, improve staff satisfaction, and improve student academic and behavioral outcomes. This interactive, hands-on training is for school-level leadership teams that are ready to implement the MTSS-B framework at the Universal or Tier 1 level. Participants will focus on how to establish Tier 1 “Universal” systems, data and practices, and align Social Emotional Learning (SEL) curricula at the school-wide level. School teams will learn how to organize their learning community to include diverse school and community voice, create a positive school-wide system, and align multiple efforts and resources in order to create a coherent, consistent, and positive environment for all students. Teams will attend three full days with tasks to complete during the spring. The trainings run from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on March 14, April 10, and May 1, 2019, at The Falls Event Center, Manchester. The cost is $3,000 per school team of three to five; $5,000 per school team of six to eight. $600 per additional member more than eight. For more information, visit www.iod.unh.edu.

Student Wellness Has Trainings In 2019
The Bureau of Student Wellness has a number of trainings scheduled at the New Hampshire Department of Education, 101 Pleasant St. in Concord. To register, visit http://www.nhstudentwellness.org/pd.

• Conversations on Culture & Diversity: Participants will begin to explore the concepts of culture and diversity as they relate to their own personal beliefs and values and how those concepts influence their practices in education, health, and/or behavioral health. The training will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on April 29, Sept. 16, Nov. 7, and Dec. 11.

• Everyone is an Asset Builder: A 40 Developmental Assets Training: This training is designed to inform participants about the Developmental Assets framework created by the Search Institute and how it can be used to build supportive communities. The framework identifies a set of skills, experiences, relationships, and behaviors that enable young people to develop into successful and contributing adults. The training will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on April 30.

• KNOW & TELL Mandated Reporter Training: The Bureau is teaming up with Granite State Children’s Alliance and the Chapter Organization for NH Child Advocacy Centers to support this critically important effort. KNOW & TELL is a public responsibility movement to educate all adults to KNOW the signs of abuse and TELL responsible authorities when they recognize them. The training will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. on March 26, April 25, May 20, and June 27.

• Youth Mental Health First Aid: This training is designed to teach parents, family members, caregivers, teachers, school staff, peers, neighbors, health and human services workers, and other caring citizens how to help an adolescent (age 12 to 18) who is experiencing a mental health, addiction, or crisis challenge. The training will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on May 31.
Chris Nelson Memorial Grant Program
NHSTE’s application for the seventh year of the Chris Nelson Memorial Grant Program is now open. The grant program will fully fund two projects that have a foundation in emerging instructional technologies for the 2019-2020 school year. The grant application period runs through May 1. For more information, visit the Chris Nelson Memorial Grant Program page at nhste.org. If you have any questions, email grants@nhste.org.

Youth Leaders for FEMA’s National Youth Preparedness Council
The application period for FEMA’s Youth Preparedness Council (YPC) is right around the corner, and FEMA’s Individual Community Preparedness Division (ICPD) needs your help to spread the word! Since 2012, FEMA has sought out young leaders who are interested in supporting disaster preparedness and making a difference in their communities by completing disaster preparedness projects nationally and locally. This year, there are slots available for new leaders to take preparedness initiatives in their communities. Students on the YPC meet throughout the year with ICPD staff to develop projects. This summer, in Washington, DC, ICPD’s young leaders from around the nation will participate in team building activities, learn about project planning, attend media training, and hear from national preparedness leaders.
Students from Grade 8 to Grade 11 who have engaged in community service or are interested in emergency preparedness, are encouraged to apply.
Students interested in the Youth Preparedness Council apply through an online portal by submitting a written or video application, letters of recommendation, and school transcripts. Students should visit https://community.fema.gov/applytoYPC/ for complete details.
Applications are due on March 31.

Dates Set For 7th Annual NH Girls Technology Day Events
The 7th annual NH Girls Technology Day events will be held at the following five dates and locations:
- Tuesday, March 12, at UNH in Durham.
- Tuesday, March 19, at NHTI in Concord (Snow date: May 15).
- Friday, March 22, at WMCC in Berlin
- Friday, March 22, at MCC in Manchester (Women in Technology)
- Wednesday, April 10, at Hypertherm in Lebanon.

Schools may register up to 32 young women (Grades 9 and 10) to attend NHGTD 2019. A chaperone must be provided for each group of 16 individuals that are registered to attend. This year the process has been streamlined: There is a single, one stop registration with no waiting period for session information. Each school will be scheduled into a range of sessions. Schedules will be received at registration. NHGTD sessions and event programs will be posted online.
Do not hesitate to reserve your spaces today. NHGTD is a popular event bringing New Hampshire’s young women, industry and postsecondary partners together to explore STEM in a supportive environment.
Registration for NH-GTD 2019 can be found at: https://goo.gl/forms/JRrzsz3L4oQTFQtc2. Lunch will be provided.
Details such as directions to each site and photo release forms are on the NH-GTD site at: https://gtd-nh.org/. Organizers would like to see that each student has a photo release form completed prior to each event and be prepared to turn them in upon arrival at your event.
Questions? Contact Courtney Ritchings at Courtney.Ritchings@doe.nh.gov or 603-271-3809.

April 2019 For New Hampshire Hospitality Month
New Hampshire Hospitality Month is back. Save-the-Date: From April 1, to April 30, elementary and high school students will be invited to tour local properties across the state. Opportunities include hotels, restaurants, and tourist attractions. During these visits, students will have the opportunity to get a behind
the scenes look at day-to-day operations, interact with employees to hear about their career pathways, and learn about all aspects of industry vital to their success including: Web design, social media marketing, accounting, landscaping, event management, and more. Stay tuned for further details. Check out photos from New Hampshire Hospitality Month 2018 and find out more information about the program here.
For more info, contact Amie Pariseau, education and workforce development director, at the New Hampshire Lodging & Restaurant Association at apariseau@nhlra.com or 603-228-9585.

Student Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE) Grants
Every district and charter school in New Hampshire has received funding under Title IV, Part A for the current 2018-2019 school year. However, many districts have not accessed their funds yet or started the application in the online Grants Management System. Districts should work with their i4See representative and their federal programs manager to ensure that they are able to access their Title IV A application. For additional questions, contact Dr. Nate Greene, administrator of the Office of Academics and Professional Learning, at Nathaniel.Greene@doe.nh.gov.

School Districts: Safeguard Your Systems
Districts looking to safeguard computer systems as well as student and teacher info can leverage no-cost cybersecurity resources, services, and assistance offered by the DHS funded Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC), which assists public education organizations in the United States. The MS-ISAC provides informational materials, notifications, and services at no cost and membership is voluntary.
The only requirement to becoming a member is to have your IT Director, or other technical point of contact, register here: https://learn.cisecurity.org/ms-isac-registration.

Information From Other Agencies and Organizations (contests/awards, conference/workshops, scholarships, and misc.)

Land Surveyor Scholarships
Do you know of any students interested in working in the land surveyor field? The New Hampshire Land Surveyors Foundation has scholarships available for students graduating in 2019 or with prior military service. The Moran Family Scholarship is available to students with financial need and the strong likelihood that the applicant will be entering the surveying profession (or a related field). The deadline for applications is March 31. Other scholarships are available for local residents enrolled in college for surveying, civil engineering, and forestry while also planning to work in a surveying career. For more information, visit https://nhlsa.org.

Beekeepers Offer Science Scholarships
The NH Beekeepers Association offers two $1,000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors and post-secondary students who are continuing school in agricultural, biology, and/or honey bee related fields. The applicants must graduate from high school and be enrolled in a post-secondary school, be continuing school in an agricultural, biology, and/or honey bee related field, AND be a member of a NH bee club (or an immediate dependent of a member of a NH bee club). An essay of 300 words on the applicant's goals regarding the field of study chosen is also required. The application and essay deadline is May 1. The NHBA will present the winners at our Summer (Musterfield) NHBA Workshop in June. The link is on the NH Beekeepers Association's website under the Resources tab: NHBA George W. Hamilton Scholarship
Dr. Summit Shah Scholarship Available
In reaction to the rising tuition costs, Dr. Summit Shah, a tireless advocate of access to higher education, has founded a scholarship to ensure that deserving students from all parts of the economic spectrum can reach their academic goals. One student will be chosen to receive a $1,000 scholarship to be applied to their higher learning education after submitting an up to 500 word essay. The essay question is: Life is hard and it takes motivation to be persistence to reach your goals. Share what some of the things are that keep you motivated to keep reaching for your goals. Applicants must be high school students graduating this calendar year who have been accepted into a college, university, trade school, or design school, or students currently enrolled in a college, university, trade school, or design school. The deadline for application is June 1. For more information, visit http://www.summitshahscholarship.com/

Educate Yourself About Human Trafficking
Human Trafficking in New Hampshire - It Does Happen Here is a free seminar proving parents, educators, and other community members information about labor and sex trafficking in the state. Crimes have been reported in all of New Hampshire’s 10 counties, in both rural and urban settings. Learn about the issue, what to look for, what is being done to support victims, and how you can help. The event will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, at the Hatbox Theatre, 270 Loudon Road, at the Steeplegate Mall in Concord. Visit this eventbrite.com link to register.

The Wright Museum Is Open For School Tours
While closed to the public in the winter, the Wright Museum of World War II in Wolfeboro is open to schools for student tours. World War II is one of the most seminal periods in American history and cultural institutions like the museum can assist with student learning. The museum features more than 14,000 items in its collection that are representative of both the home front and battlefield. In May 2019, the museum will host an exhibition, “Righting a Wrong: Japanese Americans and WWII,” created by the Smithsonian Institution, which he said will be particularly important for students. Sponsored by The Montrone Family with additional support by Northeast Delta Dental, the exhibit is part of a national tour. It will be at the museum from May 1 through July 7. For more information, visit http://www.wrightmuseum.org. To schedule tours, call 603-569-1212, or email donna.hamill@wrightmuseum.org.

State House Bicentennial Commission Mixed Media Arts Contest
The State House Bicentennial Commission is hosting its third youth contest to celebrate the anniversary. The contest is a mixed media arts contest with the theme – The New Hampshire State House and Its Meaning Today. The contest is open to any resident, 5 to 21, enrolled in a public or private school, or is a homeschool student (K-12). Regional education leaders will choose nine winners – a first, second, and third place winner from each age group – who will then move into statewide consideration. Submissions are due March 29. Regional voting will take place on April 15, and then the state panel will choose winners on April 29. For info about the contest including entry forms, contact Stephen Berwick of the Engagement and Civic Education Work Group for the NH State House Bicentennial Commission at Stephen.Berwick@doe.nh.gov. To learn more about the commission, visit https://www.nhsh200.com/.

Media Literacy And Healthy Choices
Media Power Youth, New Hampshire’s nonprofit leader in media literacy, can help you keep students on tract to make healthy choices, promoting academic and social success while also preventing bullying, violence, and aggression, substance use, and unhealthy food choices. Through generous support from the NH DOJ, educators can receive a reduced cost of $50, per person, through June 30. Online Evidence-based Training & Curricula, (NREPP SAMHSA listed): Online Media Literacy for Safe & Healthy Choices training and curricula. Core concepts of media literacy through media effects on violent
behavior, bullying, substance use and healthy food choices. Interactive, self-paced, engaging with lesson plans, including media and handouts, ready to implement. (Grade 2 to 3, 10 lessons; Grade 4 to 6, 12 lessons). Special updates include new topics: vaping and digital citizenship: https://mediapoweryouth.org/online-training/.

In Person Evidence-based Training & Curricula: The org’s popular in-person six-hour professional development training to bring Media Power Youth’s evidence-based curricula to life for your students. Core concepts of media literacy through media’s effects on violent behavior, bullying, substance use and nutritional choices. Special updates include new topics: vaping and digital citizenship: https://mediapoweryouth.org/educators/.

Screenshots: A media literacy curriculum for middle school students to prevent violence, aggression, cyberbullying and substance use and promote responsible use of media. Helps students evaluate and think critically about media. Features lesson plans with accompanying podcasts, interactive projects and innovative interactive notebook design. Four units, three-lessons each and a guided final project. Units can be delivered in any order: digital citizenship, cyberbullying, conflict resolution, and media and substance use: https://mediapoweryouth.org/educators/.

Workshops – Parents, Professionals & Students: Workshops will teach the basics of media literacy using a variety of health topics including violence, bullying, alcohol, tobacco, and other substance use, healthy eating, body image or topic of choice. Participants will be empowered to think critically about media and how media can impact healthy decision-making: https://mediapoweryouth.org/community/

Call Media Power
For further info, call 603-222-1200 or email: educationteam@mediapoweryouth.org.

New Teachers Retreat
The New Teachers Retreat is a professional development opportunity specifically designed for new teachers. The org is trying to reach those who’ve completed at least one year of full-time professional teaching but haven’t been in the profession for more than five years. The three-day retreat offers a chance to leave daily life behind for a long weekend in the summer and refresh your arsenal of strategies before entering the next year in the classroom. Through daily instructional sessions mixed with personal and collective planning/collaboration time, the New Teachers Retreat is not just an intensive training experience. It is a time to learn from experienced teacher mentors in the form of instruction, discussion, reflection, and exercise. It’s also a time for open and honest conversation about the challenges new teachers face or may face. Topics covered in previous years include classroom management, self-care, cultural proficiency, lesson planning, using data, and parent engagement.

The retreat will be held from July 12, to July 14, at Keene State College. The application deadline is May 31. Apply at http://www.newteachersretreat.com. Questions? Email info@newteachersretreat.com.

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