



New Hampshire

Department of Education

Friday Forum

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- This week, NHED released comprehensive **statewide assessment data** for the 2021-2022 school year. While preliminary assessment results were previously published in July at the state level, the newly published [data set](#) provides information at the state, district and school levels.
- Federal grants totaling \$8,339,865 are being [awarded](#) to four existing or recently approved **public charter schools** in New Hampshire and to four developing public charter schools in the process of seeking approval from the State Board of Education.
- On Monday, the **Nation's Report Card** (results from the 2022 National Assessment of Educational Progress) for math and reading assessments in grades four and eight will be released.
- NHED is urging school leaders to complete the state's **Critical Shortage List survey** that has been provided to them. This survey helps develop an analysis of the teacher supply and demand in New Hampshire, and is updated based on input from school leaders across the state. This survey is available in the ESS system; the deadline for completion is Oct. 28.
- **RMC Research** is searching for schools to participate in a non-academic survey. The data is designed to help with school climate and culture. More information is [here](#).
- NH's **Multi-Tiered System of Supports for Behavioral Health and Wellness** framework training currently has a waitlist, however participants can still be added to the next training. This group meets monthly from 3-4 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month. More details [here](#).
- The **ISOCIAL Pyramid Model** deadline is Friday. This [funding opportunity](#) is designed to improve social-emotional outcomes of preschool students with disabilities through the implementation of the evidence-based Pyramid Model Framework.
- The NH Governor's Council on Physical Activity and Health is accepting nominations for **CHART Awards: Charter and Resiliency Together**. School principals and heads of schools are invited to nominate one teacher from their schoolwide community. [Nominations](#) close on Nov. 18.

- [Code.org](#) is awarding \$1 million to schools to help more students access computer science. As part of its **10th Hour of Code celebration**, it will be awarding \$10,000 to 102 schools (one middle and one high school in each state) to assist them with implementing a computer science pathway within their district.
- The **Women's Transportation Seminar 2023 Undergraduate Scholarship** is now available for current and past NH high school students, as well as college students currently studying in the state. Motivated students and young women pursuing undergraduate studies in transportation-related fields, such as engineering, science, technology and math are encouraged to apply. Up to two undergraduate scholarships in the amount of \$2,500 or more will be awarded. For more details email clarks@wseinc.com.
- NHED's Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation and other agencies are hosting the **New England Blindness Employment Conference** from Nov. 7-8 at the Holiday Inn, Concord. The purpose of this event is to invite potentially eligible and eligible participants for Vocational Rehabilitation, who are ready to accept jobs in the competitive, integrated workforce, or who need the prerequisite training unique to those who are blind, vision impaired, or deaf-blind so that they may ultimately secure such employment. Full scholarships to the conference are available to the first 75 program participants. More details are available [here](#).
- The **NH Radon Program** is hoping to spread awareness through the [Second Annual NH Radon Poster Contest](#) for students in grades 5-8. There are gift card prizes available up to \$100 for winning students and classrooms.
- The [Lexile & Quantile Hub](#) is an online platform that provides educators, parents and students with easy access to reading and math tools. As a partner state with **MetaMetrics**, all NH educators have access to the hub with a free premium membership. To take advantage of this opportunity, educators should register using their school or district email addresses.
- The New Hampshire Army National Guard is offering free **teacher appreciation care packages**. To request a free kit, click [here](#).
- NHED and Tutor.com have 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.
- NHED has partnered with **Graduation Alliance** to provide an extra layer of support for K-12 students and their families 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. Contact erin.luper@graduationalliance.com for more details.

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