



## *Friday Forum*

February 28, 2025

- Educators are invited to self-enroll in **elementary mathematics professional development** with [Professor Mahesh Sharma](#). A series of 14 videos support the building of number, number sense and numeracy in the elementary grades K-4. A separate Canvas course, [ESOL & Math Book Study: Routines for Reasoning](#), is also available for educators to self-enroll.
- **February Trailblazer!** Spearheaded by Candice DeAngelis, the 2025 New Hampshire Teacher of the Year, Trailblazers of Education is a program that recognizes innovative teachers that are challenging conventional methods to inspire and engage students through creative and impactful teaching practices. Learn more about February's [Trailblazers of Education](#) – a group of teachers at Londonderry High School who host “Around the World Celebrations.”
- Do you know students who might benefit from college-level **summer study** at Cornell? [Cornell University Precollege Studies Program](#) offers rigorous college courses taught by Cornell instructors. Applications are now open for residential, commuter and online programs.
- NHED's **Office of Nutrition Programs and Services** is announcing a [grant funding opportunity](#) for the implementation and/or expansion of school gardens. For questions, please reach out to [Madeline.R.Parker@doe.nh.gov](mailto:Madeline.R.Parker@doe.nh.gov) or [Amy.L.McGregor@doe.nh.gov](mailto:Amy.L.McGregor@doe.nh.gov).
- **Know & Tell**, mandated reporting training for professionals, will be offered from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on March 26 at NHED, 25 Hall St. in Concord. Participants will learn about mandated reporting responsibilities required by law, the child abuse signs to look for, tips for making the reporting process easier and more. [Register](#) for the \$25 event.
- There have been a number of **Executive Actions** by the U.S. Department of Education and the Trump Administration. NHED is developing guidance for schools that will be available as quickly as possible. In the meantime, some of the relevant Executive Orders may be found at [whitehouse.gov](http://whitehouse.gov) and [education.nh.gov](http://education.nh.gov).

## **Scholarship Opportunities**

- The **NHTM Mathematics Education Major, Mathematics Major, and Elementary Education Scholarship** (*College Student*): The New Hampshire Teachers of Mathematics are pleased to offer a \$1,000 scholarship to a NH student preparing for certification to teach mathematics. For more information, visit [nhmathteachers.org](http://nhmathteachers.org).
- The **David G. Kent NHTM Mathematics Education Major, Mathematics Major, and Elementary Education Scholarship** (*High School Student*): The New Hampshire Teachers of Mathematics are pleased to offer a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating high school senior. This scholarship is named in memory of David G. Kent, a longtime NHTM executive board member and NH High School Mathematics Contest organizer. For more details, visit [nhmathteachers.org](http://nhmathteachers.org).

### **Resources for Educators and Students**

- Join NHED and Discovery Education to learn about a new series of engaging, NH-specific digital resources bolstering **civics education** for K-12 students. Educators interested in learning more about these resources are invited to visit the [NH Partnership Resource page](#) or search “New Hampshire Constitution” in Discovery Education Experience. Webinars for educators will be held to provide more details on the lessons:
  - [Mondays noon to 12:45 \(March 3 to April 14\)](#)
  - [Wednesdays 3:00 to 3:45 \(March 5 to April 16\)](#)
  - [Thursdays 4:00 to 4:45 \(March 6 to April 17\)](#)
- UNH Professional Development and Training is offering “**Citizen & Community Science: Designing Projects for Research and Engagement**,” which is a 36-hour online program that equips participants with the skills to design effective citizen and community science projects. It will run from March 2 to April 13. [Learn more](#).
- UNH Professional Development and Training is offering “**The UNH History Department’s History Day**,” which is a professional development event for history and social studies teachers on March 29 at the UNH Durham Campus. [Learn more](#).
- NHED partners with Khan Academy to offer **Khanmigo** for educators and students in grades 5-12 statewide. Khanmigo, an AI platform, serves as a teaching assistant for educators and a tutor for students. School administrators are encouraged to visit [Khanmigo for New Hampshire](#) to initiate the free contracting process.
- **Tutor.com** offers 24/7 [online tutoring](#), essay drop-off and test prep services for all New Hampshire students in grades 4-12, as well as adult education learners at no cost.
- [College Guidance Network](#) and NHED offer all NH high school counselors, students and families free access to CGN’s Roadmap to College and comprehensive library of on-demand **college and career resources**.
- [Xello](#), in partnership with NHED and Granite Edvance, provides all NH high school students (and adult education centers that serve high school students 18+) with free tools needed to

explore secondary and postsecondary plans, discover **career aspirations**, uncover interests, and make plans for future success.

- **Microschools** are an emerging model that provide a small, tailored approach to education. For educators considering launching a microschool, visit [KaiPodLearning.com](https://kaiPodLearning.com) for details, or contact [matt@kaiPodLearning.com](mailto:matt@kaiPodLearning.com).
- **Discovery Education** would like to learn more about NH educators' use of social media as a communication tool. They invite you to complete [this brief survey](#).
- 240 Tutoring is providing all NH educators with a 50% discount on its course catalog. [240 Tutoring](#) provides digital courses for most **Praxis certification exams**.

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