



New Hampshire

Department of Education

Friday Forum

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- This week, NHED launched its **603 Bright Futures Survey**, a platform that provides parents, educators and community members a chance to share their perspectives and experiences with their respective schools. Questions were developed with input from a cohort of school leaders and should take no longer than 15 minutes to complete. Links to the surveys are available [here](#). Please share with your school community.
- Today, NHED launched its new, web-based Statewide Student Information System during a presentation before the NH School Administrators Association. **iNHDEX** (pronounced 'Index') will replace the existing i4see data collection system; it will be deployed throughout the next three years and phased into all NH public schools and district. More details [here](#).
- Results from the **2021 Youth Risk Behavior Survey** have been released, showing both encouraging and concerning trends among New Hampshire teens and their behaviors. Read our press release [here](#).
- Teachers, it's happening! The New Hampshire **CoderZ** competition starts next week with more than 700 students participating. You still have time to register and bring fun STEM initiatives to close out the school year. Grant recipients sign up [here](#). Non-grant recipients learn more [here](#).
- Please review this [joint letter](#) from Secretary Blinken and Secretary Cardona regarding the U.S. Department of State's **Exchange Visitor Secondary School Student Program**.
- **"The Truth About Reading"** film premiere will take place at 1 p.m. March 25 at The Colonial Theater in Keene, sponsored by Lexia Learning. Register [here](#).
- Registration is open for the [Summer Leadership Program](#) hosted by the **New Hampshire Teen Institute**. The program brings diverse high school students from across NH and New England together through workshops designed to increase school and civic engagement.
- Please share your experience with **home or nonpublic education** in New Hampshire. NHED has partnered with Gallup to learn more about how to best support families like yours. Parents are invited to sign up for a 90-minute phone interview in exchange for a \$75 gift card upon interview competition. Visit this [link](#) to sign up. Nonpublic school leaders interested in sharing the study with families at your school should email nicole_willcoxon@gallup.com.

- NHED and 321 Insight are once again partnering to offer a week of full-day, in-person **professional development sessions** designed to support all educators in their work. The morning session will focus on deepening understanding of social and emotional learning and strategies to help students develop these skills. The afternoon session will focus on helping students build the skills they need to stay regulated. These sessions will be offered in locations throughout the state from March 20-23. The deadline for registration is the date of the respective workshop. [Complete this form](#) to reserve your seat.
- **Learn Everywhere spotlight!** FitMoney provides free, unbiased financial literacy programs to empower students with critical life skills for a financially fit future. [FitMoney](#) offers a .25 credit Financial Literacy Certificate via the FitMoney FinanciallyFit Certificate, available to students in grades 8-12. This is a self-directed course and is available completely online and for free.
- This **FAFSA [waiver form](#)** is available for school districts to utilize.
- NHED recently launched its third year of **ReKINDling Curiosity** – hoping to ensure that every child who wants to attend a fun and engaging summer camp this year has the opportunity. Please share this [flyer](#) with families, which outlines scholarship and eligibility information.
- 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. This program meets all data privacy requirements.
- NHED has partnered with **Graduation Alliance** to provide 1-1 mentoring for students in need of an extra layer of support 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 at no cost. Learn more [here](#); contact Christian Shiverdecker at 603-758-3259 or Christian.shiverdecker@graduationalliance.com.

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