



## *Friday Forum*

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- This week, the Governor and Executive Council approved a new contract between NHED and Khan Academy to offer a [pilot artificial intelligence](#) platform for educators and students in grades 5-12 statewide. **Khanmigo** is Khan Academy's AI offering, which serves as a teaching assistant for educators and a tutor for students. NH is the first state to initiate a statewide contract with the nonprofit Khan Academy for its Khanmigo pilot, serving as an early adopter of this new technology. Schools (including non-public schools) that wish to take advantage of Khanmigo must email [districts@khanacademy.org](mailto:districts@khanacademy.org) to create an agreement to initiate services and training at no cost. Visit [Khanmigo for New Hampshire](#) to learn more and initiate the contracting process.
- NHED is partnering with GoGuardian to develop, administer and maintain a **new statewide assessment data portal**. The comprehensive data management and reporting platform, [Data Studio](#), which is offered through [Pear Deck Learning](#), will provide secure access to house and display student-specific assessment data for the New Hampshire State Assessment Program. Annual professional development and technical assistance services will be scheduled to assist school districts with implementing the use of Data Studio statewide. Providing direct access to longitudinal assessment data will provide educators and school leaders with the data needed to make informed decisions, adjust curriculum and instruction, develop policy and measure the performance of students and the school community using various achievement and growth metrics.
- Attention principals, superintendents and facility managers: NHED has posted its annual **Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) survey** online via [ESS](#) and it is now live with a due date of June 30. Please contact Marlon Austin with any questions at [marlon.s.austin@doe.nh.gov](mailto:marlon.s.austin@doe.nh.gov).
- NHED is offering a train-the-trainer pilot with thinkSRSD to equip 40 schools in learning evidence-based **writing techniques**. ThinkSRSD is a curriculum agnostic framework and can be tailored to the local context. Schools will be selected for this pilot based on need, geographic location and interest. For more information and to express interest, visit this [survey](#).
- The Keene State College [Summer Educators Institute](#) will take place on campus on July 31. This year's theme is "Engaging and Connecting Students & Teachers in Learning."

- The NH nonprofit Granite Edvance has received federal funding through the U.S. Department of Education's **FAFSA** Student Support Strategy to continue increasing the number of NH students who complete a 2024-2025 FAFSA and enroll in college. Learn [more](#).
- Chess in Education-US is hosting its **Granite Gambit Professional Development** for 2024. The sessions will take place: July 22-25 for CIE Instructor Training (Level 1 Certification) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Manchester Community College; July 25-26 for CIE Instructor Training (Level 2 Certification) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Manchester Community College. Details [here](#).
- NHED's Bureau of Career Development recently released a request for applications (RFA) to provide a funding opportunity to address costs associated with **transporting high school students** to programs at regional Career and Technical Education (CTE) centers. All sending districts as defined in the RFA are eligible to apply. The application may be downloaded [here](#). Email [jeffry.w.beard@doe.nh.gov](mailto:jeffry.w.beard@doe.nh.gov) with questions.
- **School Nurse Essentials** is a two-day orientation for new and returning school nurses. It will be an in-person event on August 13-14 at the Audubon Center in Concord. Covered topics include Vision and Hearing Screening, 504s, IEPs, Health Care Plans, Delegation, Mandated DCYF reporting and more. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.
- **Visual Access to Mathematics** is a free professional learning course being offered to grades 6 and 7 math teachers who have at least one ML/EL student in their class. Participants will receive an \$850 stipend and travel reimbursement. [Register here](#).
- Due to recent law and rule changes, the Office of Home Education is encouraging school districts to review the current State statutes and NHED rules relative to **Home Education**. Both the statutes and rules can be found [here](#). The Office of Home Education is developing FAQs and other informational materials to assist school districts in understanding and implementing home education requirements in accordance with the new statutes and rules. Email [HomeEducation@doe.nh.gov](mailto:HomeEducation@doe.nh.gov) with questions.

### ***Resources for Educators***

- Join **Discovery Education** for [summer workshops](#). Virtual, 3-hour sessions focusing on math and ELA will be offered, as well as one in-person, afternoon session. If the dates and times aren't convenient, contact Nancy Rose to schedule. Teachers with a background in Social Studies are invited to participate in a feedback session July 17 or 18. Members of the Discovery Education content team will share the NH Civics and History work in progress for 2024-2025 Back To School. Input from New Hampshire educators is needed. [Register Here](#).
- **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.
- **Graduation Alliance** provides 1-1 mentoring for students in need of an extra layer of support to boost school engagement and academic success. Call 603-758-3259 to get set up.

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