



New Hampshire

**Department of Education**

## *Friday Forum*

June 24, 2022

- The **Public School Infrastructure Commission** plans to meet in the immediate future to establish and finalize a rollout of the new \$10 million in funds for school security and safety projects for public and non-public schools. Grants are not yet available, but information will be shared with districts once a plan has been established. More should be known later this summer. Please continue to monitor these communications where we will announce the grants for you.
- The **NH Children's System of Care** has unveiled a new [website](#) dedicated to providing children, youth and families with an easy-to-use mental and behavioral health resource and support directory. Schools are invited to share this resource.
- [House Bill 1421](#) has passed and may soon be signed into law. This reduces the **lead in drinking water** standard from 15 parts per billion to 5 ppb. The law will become effective upon signature and will require schools to look back at previous lead test results and remediate those above 5 ppb within 90 days.
- [Senate Bill 233](#) was signed and requires **water bottle filling stations** to be installed when schools are under construction.
- Schools may visit the NH Department of Energy's [webpage](#) to learn more about its **School Energy Efficiency Development (SEED) Grant Program**. The agency is offering a \$150,000 grant with a 10% match for energy efficiency improvements for a public school or public charter school in a small community. Applications are due July 20, and projects must be completed by June 30, 2023.
- Public schools have until June 30 to complete the annual **Indoor Air Quality survey**. RSA 200:11-a requires that a school principal or designee complete the survey, which is in ESS and available through [myNHDOE](#).
- For public schools that have submitted a **building aid letter of intent**, building aid full applications are due July 1. No late applications will be accepted.
- Are you or someone you know looking to get **Paraprofessional II licensure**? NHTI is offering an 8-week online portfolio course from July 5-Aug. 26. This online course is structured to meet your individual needs while providing support to meet state requirements. Funding may

be available through your district. For more information contact Cynthia Lucero [clucero@ccsnh.edu](mailto:clucero@ccsnh.edu) or register directly [here](#).

- More than 40 certified educators and 16 licensed therapists are providing essential **tutoring services** through NHED's Yes, Every Student (YES!) scholarship program. The program offers \$1,000 scholarships to NH students for tutoring services. Certified educators in New Hampshire that would like to offer services, and get paid for their work, may complete [this form](#). We would love to see more educators sign up to tutor students.
- 2022 **i4see End of Year collections** are now live in the system. As a reminder, submissions (batch verified) are due June 24, (district verified) are due July 6 and certified no later than July 8 for EOY Enrollment, F&R EOY Collection and Home School Academic. All others, including College and Career Readiness and Civics (12<sup>th</sup> graders only), Credits and GPA (high school only), ELO Students (high school only), EOY Academic (targeted Title I schools only), and Virtual Instruction/Remote Learning are due July 30 (batch verified), Aug. 10 (district verified) and certified by Aug. 12.
- Registration is still open for a five-week **micro-credential course** available this summer for educators. Granite State College has been selected to provide training to PK-12 teachers this summer on behalf of NHED. This [grant-funded training](#) will give NH educators the opportunity to further develop skills related to creating effective virtual classrooms and facilitating engaging online curriculum. The first session begins June 27. Participation is limited, and a \$200 stipend is available upon completion (to the first 1,000 educators who register).
- Discovery Education invites all New Hampshire school administrators and educators to join in **summer professional development**. Get to know the DE Learning Platform and what it can bring to your practice – whether you're an administrator, classroom or unified arts teacher, or you support students through counseling or health services. Multimedia content is available, along with instructional activities and professional development. [Sign up](#) for a summer session. NH schools have free access through June 2025. Email [nrose@discoveryed.com](mailto:nrose@discoveryed.com).

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