



Friday Forum

June 28, 2024

- Effective July 1, [HB 1066](#) changes the requirement for school districts, public academies and chartered public schools to provide information to students on the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid** (FAFSA) and repeals the reporting requirement on the number of students provided in-person school assistance on completing the FAFSA.
- [HB 354](#) was recently signed into law, which allows public chartered schools to be eligible to apply for school building aid. Applications are due on April 1 of each year, starting in 2025. School building aid grants may be used for the construction of a new school or the substantial renovation of an existing school. Building aid grant awards are based upon the ranking of the school's building aid application and the availability of State and local funding. [Learn more](#) about the grant program, or contact amy.c.clark@doe.nh.gov, 603-892-8530.
- Students may be more inclined to spend time on social media during the summer months. Please consider sharing this [flyer](#) with students and their families, which highlights NHED's [Stop Scrolling, Start Something](#) campaign.
- In case you missed it, NHED's end-of-year newsletter for all educators is available [here](#).
- NHED is partnering with 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 to create an agreement to initiate services and training at no cost. School administrators are encouraged to visit [Khanmigo for New Hampshire](#), or this [Khanmigo Flyer](#) to learn more and initiate the contracting process.
- To help districts meet the **suicide prevention training** requirements of RSA 193-J, NHED's Office of Social and Emotional Wellness has partnered with the National Alliance on Mental Health (NAMI NH) to host two free suicide prevention training and train-the-trainer events for NH educators this summer. One will be held in [Concord](#) and the other will take place in [Peterborough](#); both events are scheduled for August.

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 nrose@discoveryed.com to reschedule.
- **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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