



New Hampshire

**Department of Education**

## *Friday Forum*

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- NHED is excited to launch its new **603 Moment campaign** later today at the New Hampshire Fisher Cats game. The [603 Moment](#) initiative will encourage New Hampshire parents and children to reconnect, destress and be present with those around them. Learn more [here](#).
- Schools are being encouraged to share information about the [Granite State 90 Day Summer Challenge – NH Moves](#) with their students and families. The challenge, which started June 1, urges children and adults to be active for 30 minutes or more each day in the months of June, July and August.
- Today, NHED is publicly releasing the results of its [603 Bright Futures Survey](#), which was administered this spring. The annual survey provides valuable feedback from educators, families and community members across the state on the successes, challenges and areas of growth from the recent school year. Results from the survey may be found here: [https://secure.panoramaed.com/nhdoe/understand?auth\\_token=JbkBC2-JGkdbMGDcUUzb](https://secure.panoramaed.com/nhdoe/understand?auth_token=JbkBC2-JGkdbMGDcUUzb).
- NHED is pleased to announce the 10 semi-finalists for the [2023 NH Teacher of the Year Award](#): Susan Bradford, Amanda Bridges, Christian Cheetham, Mikella Eichen, Bonnie Heath, Carmen Kosow, Jennifer MacLeod, Curt McDermott, Cathi Stetson and Julie Verde.
- The **TangerKIDS Grants Program** provides grants requested by teachers in the immediate communities that Tanger Outlets serve. More than \$150,000 is awarded each year to schools within the Tanger Outlets markets. There are less than 30 days left to submit an application. Educators may access the [TangerKIDS Grants online portal](#) to submit a grant request of up to \$1,250.
- Please be aware of this new [technical advisory](#) that provides guidance regarding HB 321, which requires school districts to submit an annual report concerning **gifted and talented students** and related supports.
- NHED is sharing [this testimonial](#) from Antrim Elementary School in NH: “**Universal Design for Learning**; One School’s Journey.”
- School administrators and security officers, among others, are invited to join a two-hour **security webinar** to enhance awareness of and response to an active shooter event. The webinar is hosted by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Region 1

(Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont), and will be held from 1-3 p.m. June 15. Register [here](#). Please note, this is not a tactical training course.

- Join NHED's Office of Social and Emotional Wellness for four free trainings as part of its **Professional Development Series** this summer. CEU's are available for all trainings. [Register here](#).
- In collaboration with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, NHED's Office of Social and Emotional Wellness is offering free virtual training for NH schools and communities in August. The DHS Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships' **Community Awareness Briefing** is a 90-minute training designed to raise community awareness and empower individuals with information to prevent targeted violence and terrorism. The training focuses on behavioral changes that school staff and others could expect to see in students prior to participating in acts of targeted violence. [Register here](#).
- Attention third-grade classroom and art teachers. After a short hiatus, the NH State Fire Marshal's Office will be hosting its **Statewide Third Grade Fire and Life Safety Poster Contest**. The rules and guidelines have been revamped, the topics have been aligned with third-grade standards and a rubric has been added for scoring. Please be on the lookout for additional information in September.
- The DHHS Over the Counter **COVID-19 Antigen Test Program** has resumed, and orders previously submitted are being filled. These FlowFlex rapid antigen tests are available to daycares, federally qualified healthcare centers, regional public health networks, K-12 schools, and summer camps. Eligible organizations may place an order [here](#) if they have not previously done so.
- Summer training dates for teachers interested in the **Granite Gambit Chess in Schools** program have been announced. First-time training sessions will take place from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 11-14 and Aug. 15-18 at Manchester Community College. Second-level training will occur from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 14-15 at Manchester Community College. For more details on these free training sessions, email Jerry Nash at [jerry@chessinschools.us](mailto:jerry@chessinschools.us).
- As a reminder, Commissioner Frank Edelblut will host his **monthly call with school leaders** at noon on Monday, June 6.

### **NHED Discretionary Grants**

- NH School Safe: Threat Assessment Grant (accepting applications on a rolling basis): <https://www.education.nh.gov/who-we-are/division-of-learner-support/bureau-of-student-wellness/osew/grants>

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