



## *Friday Forum*

August 9, 2024

- Superintendents and other school administrators are invited to join NHED and **College Guidance Network** for a webinar at 12:30 p.m. on Aug. 15 to learn more about high-quality college and career resources that feature expert content for all New Hampshire schools. [Register here](#) for the webinar with CEO Jon Carson and Commissioner Frank Edelblut to learn how your school can take advantage of these powerful, no-cost resources. As a reminder, the deadline for schools to sign up for [CGN](#) content is Sept. 30.
- Two students from each state will be selected to attend the 63<sup>rd</sup> **United States Senate Youth Program** Washington Week in March 2025. This week, superintendents were notified via email about the nomination process. In New Hampshire, each high school principal may nominate one eligible junior or senior student. The nominations are due no later than Oct. 11. Details are available [here](#). Contact [stacey.a.macstravic1@doe.nh.gov](mailto:stacey.a.macstravic1@doe.nh.gov) with questions.
- For prospective and current districts partnering with Khan Academy for its **Khanmigo** AI pilot, a [series of webinars](#) are being hosted throughout the summer designed to enhance your school's educational strategies and ensure a dynamic start to the upcoming school year. NHED is partnering with Khan Academy to offer Khanmigo for educators and students in grades 5-12 statewide. Khanmigo serves as a teaching assistant for educators and a tutor for students. School administrators are encouraged to visit [Khanmigo for New Hampshire](#) to initiate the free contracting process.
- **Discovery Education** is hosting a half-day of learning from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Aug. 15 at NHED, 25 Hall St. in Concord. NH educators using Discovery Education will explore how to enhance instruction with SOS Strategies across the subject areas (especially reading and math), apply learning through career and workforce exploration resources, leverage Discovery Education to empower student voice and choice, and take a sneak peek at the coming NH Civics and History resources (for SB216). Recipients will receive lunch, snacks, fun prizes and a certificate for PD hours. [Register here](#).
- NHED is hosting a Math and ESOL Educators Book Study. The book, ***Routines for Reasoning: Fostering the Mathematical Practices in All Students***, aims to help students develop their math reasoning, including recommendations for how to work with and better support English Learners with each routine presented. The book study includes two in-person (Aug. 19 and Nov. 6 at NHED in Concord) and four virtual events, with a capacity of 60 teachers. [Register here](#). Contact [Janna.M.Jobel@doe.nh.gov](mailto:Janna.M.Jobel@doe.nh.gov) or [Anne.K.Wallace@doe.nh.gov](mailto:Anne.K.Wallace@doe.nh.gov) with questions.

- The [National Life Group's LifeChanger of the Year](#) program is awarding a series of Back to School grants. Ten applicants will each receive a \$500 grant for **school supplies**. The deadline to [apply](#) is Aug. 31.
- Save the date and be sure to secure student transportation for the [New Hampshire Bringing Back the Trades](#) event on Nov. 15 at NHTI in Concord. Special guest Mike Rowe from the TV show “Dirty Jobs” will be speaking, and a total of \$50,000 worth of scholarships will be distributed to students attending the event and **Tradeapalooza** Career Fair. Tickets are limited.

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

- **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.
- Are you seeking highly qualified **mentor-coaches** to support new leaders in your district? [Ensure their chances of success](#). Get them a mentor by contacting Ken Page, NHASP Mentor Co-Coordinator at [kpage@nhasp.org](mailto:kpage@nhasp.org).
- NHED’s [UpGrade](#) program aims to increase the number of **educators earning tech credentials**, as well as encourage existing technology leaders to receive educator endorsements to teach computer science and similar tech courses. For existing educators, NHED will reimburse the cost of any exams or licensure costs for qualified credentials, up to a total of \$2,000. In addition, teachers will receive a stipend for each credential acquired, up to a total of \$750. [Learn more](#).

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