



June 2009

North Country High School Scholars Recognized



Valedictorians, Salutatorians, and outstanding Career & Technical Education students from around the North Country gathered at White Mountains Regional High School on May 22, for an annual recognition ceremony and scholar breakfast.

(Front row, from left): Lin-Wood High School's Britta Haley, valedictorian, and Gabrielle Walker, salutatorian; Woodsville High School's Hannah Walker, salutatorian, Ashleigh Greenwood, valedictorian; Hugh Gallen Vocational Center's (Littleton) Anthony Ellingwood, outstanding student of the year; Stratford Public School's Kayne Gilcris, valedictorian and Amanda Scott, salutatorian; (middle row, from left), Profile High School's Eliza Huntington, valedictorian, and Ethan Wells, salutatorian; Gorham High school's Sarah Tremblay, salutatorian; Littleton High School's Christopher Beaulieu, valedictorian; Lisbon Regional High School's Timothy Osborn, valedictorian, and Kelly Johnson, salutatorian; Mount Washington Valley Career Technical Center's (Kennett) Kristina Dew, outstanding student of the year; (back row, from left), Colebrook Academy's Brian Gooch, salutatorian and Robert Brunault, valedictorian; Gorham High School's Matthew Lemieux, valedictorian; White Mountains Regional High School's Tyler Driscoll, valedictorian, and Tucker Diego, salutatorian; Pittsburg School's Kyle Sackett, salutatorian, and Travis Rioux, valedictorian. Missing from the photo are, Groveton High School valedictorian Alicia Pinette and salutatorian Alexa Demsey, Littleton High School salutatorian Marybeth Cote, Arthur T. Paradise Regional Vocational Center (WMRHS) outstanding student of the year, Paige Gunderson, Kennett High School valedictorian Katherine Gustafson and salutatorian George Weingold. (Photo courtesy of Melissa Grima.)

The recognition event was sponsored by the North Country Schools Administrators Association and North Country Education Services. White Mountains Regional High School hosted the event with students from the WMRHS preparing the refreshments for the reception.

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Career Opportunities with Federal Bureau of Prisons

Cathi Litcher, Activation Coordinator for the Federal Bureau of Prisons, will be at White Mountains Community College from 9:00 to 11:00 AM on Wednesday, June 3, 2009 to impart career information for guidance counselors to share with students potentially interested in this occupational choice. RSVP to Jessica. A.Bergeron@nhes.nh.gov.

NCPDD Call for Proposals

NCES is accepting proposals for North Country Professional Development Day. The conference will be held on Friday, October 9, 2009. Interested presenters should submit a title and brief description of their proposal to Lori Langlois by email at lori@ncedservices.org.

Upcoming Professional Development

Digital Tools in the Classroom

This course exposes participants to various technology tools such as Google Docs, sound recording, animation, movie making and photo editing software. Participants will learn to create animations, sound recordings and movies with readily available, free software. Using these skills, participants will connect the use of technology to curriculum objectives and understand how to incorporate the ISTE ICT standards into student activities. The final projects will demonstrate the participant's ability to create student activities that foster critical thinking, meet curriculum objectives and use engaging software. Through this course, students will also discover how to assess technology based activities and learn how to incorporate the use of web 2.0 tools for collaboration and delivery of their projects.

This will be a three credit course through Plymouth State University.

Dates/Times: Mondays, July 13, 20 & 27 from 9:30 to 3:30 and August 3, 2009 from 9:30 to 1:00.

Location: GSC Location, Conway, NH

Cost: \$1285 In-State, \$1375 Out-of-State

Instructor: Paula Churchill, NCES Technology Integration Specialist

Registration: Contact Becky Ring at 466-5437 or becky@ncedservices.org by June 30. Purchase orders should be faxed to 603-466-2907 or checks mailed to NCES, 300 Gorham Hill Road, Gorham, NH 03581. MC/Visa accepted.

Impact Learning Through Videoconferencing

This videoconference seminar provides teachers, administrators, and technical staff an overview of the various components of videoconferencing, its potential, the resources available, and the strategies to make a videoconference project successful. Participants will experience virtual field trips, guest speakers, tips to find projects to incorporate into their lessons, and have the opportunity to practice techniques over video. The Institute will be offered in several locations via videoconference and will be facilitated by experienced and knowledgeable instructors.

Dates: June 2, 4 & 9, 2009

Time: 3:30 to 5:30

Presenters: Susan Adams, NHPTV Richard A Baker, Lin-Wood High School Sharon Sabol, CCSNH System Office Christy Hubley and Betti Percival, Timberlane School District George A. Fryburg, GSDLN

Cost: \$25 for GSDLN members, \$35 for non-members

Registration: Please register at <http://www.events.unh.edu/register.shtml?>

Got College? Save the Dates

White Mountains Community College
Mini-Fairs

September 14-17, 2009. The annual mini college fair provides students with personalized answers, approachable admission representatives and access to critical information.

2nd Annual North Country College Access Convention

November 6, 2009
White Mountains Community College

The convention will provide high school sophomores access to information and resources to better prepare for college.

For more information, please contact the Director of Admission at WMCC, Mark Desmarais, mdesmarais@ccsnh.edu, (800) 445-4525 or Director of NH Scholars at NHCUC, Scott Power, spower@nhcuc.org, (603) 225-4199 x300.

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More information: Email: George.Fryburg@unh.edu or
Granite State Distance Learning Network NHPTV at 603-767-6374

Brochure

DIBELS - Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills

DIBELS Essential training provides participants with an understanding of the foundations of DIBELS as well as training in administration and scoring of the measures. This training includes an overview of how and why the measures were developed, the features that differentiate DIBELS from other commonly-used assessments, and the linkage of DIBELS to the basic early literacy skills. Participants will learn how to use DIBELS data for educational decision making. This training is intended for anyone who will have responsibility for administering and scoring DIBELS.

Presenter: Cheryl Pinette

Dates: Tuesday, August 4 and Friday, August 7, 2009

Time: 8:00 to 4:00

Location: NCES, Gorham

Cost: To be determined (will be available at www.ncedservices.org/profdev.htm when available).

Registration: Please register through email becky@ncedservices.org or by calling Becky Ring or 466-5437.

Consolidated Grant Application Technical Assistance

The NH Department of Education is offering a series of regional workshops to provide technical assistance to train staff who will be completing NCLB Title applications for 2009-10. Bring your computers and your questions. Work time has been built into the schedule. Titles I, II-A, III, IV and V will be reviewed. Laura Douillette, NCLB accountant, will be present to answer questions about the fiscal process.

North Country TA Session:

Date: June 16, 2009

Time: 1:00 to 4:00

Cost: Free

Register: [Click here](#)

Project SUCCESS

Project SUCCESS (Schools Using Coordinated Community Efforts to Strengthen Students) is designed to prevent and reduce substance use among students 12 to 18 years of age. The program was originally developed for students attending alternative high schools who are at high risk for substance use and abuse due to poor academic performance, truancy, discipline problems, negative attitudes toward school, and parental substance abuse. In recent years, Project SUCCESS has been used in regular middle and high schools for a broader range of high-risk students.

This training will be offered at NCES in September 2009 with limited availability.

Performance Pathways Users Group

These video conferenced sessions are to provide a context for users to ask questions of each other and to share experiences including tips, tricks and best practices regarding the development and support of Performance Tracker.

Dates: Friday June 12 from 9:00 to 11:30. Contact Becky Ring to register for the NCES location at 466-5437 or becky@ncedservices.org

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