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Industry Asks & Updates



Meet the 2023 Excellence in Construction Winners

Would you like to escort a student or two and attend the ABC NH/VT [Excellence in Construction](#) event on October 26 at the DoubleTree in Manchester?

We will be securing sponsors once again for this premiere event. It's an excellent opportunity for you your students to network with the industry's top companies.

Educators need to [complete this form](#) to be entered into the lottery for the tickets by October 13.



NAWIC Goes to Vermont

We're excited to announce that we are close to chartering a new chapter of [NAWIC \(National Women in Construction\)](#) in Vermont.

To learn more, email [Jennifer](#).

NH Construction Career Days

Volunteers Needed

September 28 & 29, 2023 at the New Boston Fair Grounds

Contact: Catherine Schoenenberger, NewHampshireCCD@gmail.com

Website: <https://nhccd.weebly.com>

Watch a [video](#) recap of last year's event



October is Careers in Construction Month (CiCM)

Sign the [CiCM pledge](#), spread the word on social media and participate in the I BUILT THIS! video contest.

- I Build NH/VT has submitted proclamation requests with the Governor's office in both NH and VT.

Visit the [Build Your Future](#) website for info on how you can participate.



Honoring the Best in the Construction Community

The ABC Construction Workforce Awards

- **Craft Instructor** of the Year,
- **Craft Professional** of the Year and
- **Young Professional** of the Year.

Award recipients will receive a \$10,000 cash prize and a feature in Construction Executive magazine. Plus, they will continue to receive national exposure and professional development for years to come.

[Nomination information can be found here.](#)



Educator Asks & Updates



NH Work-Based Learning Resources

[Work-based learning \(WBL\)](#) – Many resources available on their website for educators and industry - take a look!

- Work-based learning 101 is available at <https://nhdoe.instructure.com/enroll/36WAWM>. This course is self-paced and created for educators. Once completed, educators earn 6 CEU's as long as it accepted by their school district. Please reach out to Nicole Levesque at Nicole.M.Levesque@doe.nh.gov with any questions.

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Building Trade Instructor Requests

Building trade instructors are looking to connect with industry for presentations, work-based learning opportunities, job shadows...

David Gilbert with Milford Applied Technology Center is this year's NH Building Trades cluster lead for NH CTE's, david.gilbert@milfordk12.org.

8th Grade Career Exploration

[Beth Stern ElGeneidy](#), M.Ed, CAGS

School Counselor, Career Development Instructor at Hopkinton is looking for employers to help coordinate a career exploration event for 8th grade students.

Phone Number: 603-746-4167 X3289

Businesses Needed to Attend Job Fairs & Career Events

Electrical Technology Trade Show and Job Fair -Manchester Community College, NH, Thurs., Sept. 21, 2-6 pm | Trade Show and Job Fair, [Details](#)

Safety & Construction Career and Internship Fair – Keene State College, Thurs., Sept. 28, [Details](#)

Building Careers Expo – Kearsarge High School, Wed., Nov. 1, 1-5 pm | Sutton, NH, [Details & Business Registration](#)

Pinkerton Academy

Meet & Greet, Tues., Dec. 5, 4-6:30 pm | Derry, NH, [Details](#)

Senior Palooza, Tues., Mar. 26, 8:30 am – 1:15 pm | Derry, NH, [Details](#)

Apprenticeship INSET / College Fair, Wed., April 3, 6-8 pm | Derry, NH, [Details](#)

Reverse Career Fair, Tues., May 14, 4-6:30 pm | Derry, NH, [Details](#)



Upcoming Job Fairs

Send us your upcoming job or career fair information.

We will add it to [this listing](#) and share with the building trades in New Hampshire and Vermont via social media and email.

Email us job fair info at communications@abcnhvt.org



Milford CTE Seeks Funding for Renovations

A planned renovation of the Milford CTE Center will upgrade the facility to offer state-of-the-art program for students and the community.

[Click here](#) if you'd like to learn more.



Work! As Learning

Work! As Learning, a wage match program for paid internships for credit, is funded through ESSER- ARP funds. This program is **set to end 9/30/2025**.

For employers interested in hosting paid internships to high school students for credit, please connect them with [Nicole Levesque](#) and she will connect them with Awato to start the process. Awato is administering and marketing the program.

Employers doing the program can receive 50% of wages paid to students back as a reimbursement up to \$15/hr with a maximum reimbursement of \$3,600 or roughly 480 hours of interning.

[See flyer](#)



Pursue a Career in Skilled Trades – Tuition Free

The new [Vermont Trades Scholarship Forgivable Loan Program](#) covers up to full tuition, initial licensing fees and exam fees for qualified recipients enrolled in industry-recognized training and certification programs that lead to a career in select building, mechanical, industrial or medical trades; emergency services; energy including clean energy, energy efficiency or weatherization; transportation; broadband; robotics and other high-demand sectors.



Virtual Learning Academy



VLACS

The Virtual Learning Academy is a free, NH public school.

Looking for businesses and professionals to offer presentations to students interested in exploring careers.

[Read More](#)

Contact [Lisa Kent](#)

Program Manager, VLACS

603-473-4504



Instructors Needed

- NH School of Mechanical Trades
 - Web Address: nhtradeschool.com
- NHTI in Concord
 - Hiring adjunct instructors to teach in their Carpentry Program.
 - [Visit their website](#) for details.



Community Partner Asks & Updates



Vermont – Women Can Do

October 5, 2023

Location: Vermont State University, Randolph, VT

WOMEN CAN DO is an annual, one-day trades and STEP Career Exploration Conference for high school girls.

Caelan Keenan, Youth Programs Manager 802-655-8900 x106

womencando@vtworksforwomen.org

Career Pathway Partnership Grant

The [Career Pathway Partnership](#) grant program was launched in 2020 to connect NH employers with participants who are eager to learn more about their field.

- Additional funding has been secured to support up to five hyper-local career pathway partnership grants this year.
- Grant awards are up to \$10,000 for one year.
- Interested parties can use this year to plan their partnership and either launch in January 2024 or -- if student schedules or the school's master schedule preclude a January launch -- launch in September 2024.
- Historically speaking, partnerships generally form around a specific local employer who has a workforce need or around a potential pool of participants (i.e. students) who share a common interest.

Contact [Michael Turmelle](#), Director of Education and Career Initiatives, [NH Charitable Foundation](#)

Skilled Trades Day Events

Sat., Sept. 23, 10a-2p Great Bay Community College, Portsmouth, NH

Bring Back The Trades is putting on an event with more than a dozen skilled trades vendors to educate people on the benefits of careers in the trades. Free admission, several different exhibitions from many trades, games, food trucks.

[More info](#)

Industry Educational Opportunities

Discover how you can take your construction business to the next level with **Sage Intacct Construction**

- Tuesday, September 26, [Castleton Banquet and Conference Center](#), Windham, NH
- [Details](#)

Free Training with Procore

- Procore's Continuing Education courses provide free access to industry knowledge, helping you develop professional skills and unlock your potential.
- [Details](#)

Industry Educational Opportunities

ABC NH/VT [\(view calendar\)](#)

- [Building Your Business Network Using LinkedIn](#), Sept 19, 9am
- [Crew Leadership](#), Tuesdays from 3:30 – 6:00, October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, November 7

Free Workshops: Dale Carnegie

Visit the [Dale Carnegie Eventbrite page](#) for upcoming free workshops.

Student Educational Opportunities

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HVAC Classes for
High School Students

A photograph of a young man with glasses, wearing a dark blue long-sleeved shirt, working on HVAC equipment. He is holding a blue and yellow tool connected to a manifold. The background shows a workshop or classroom setting with various tools and equipment.

High School Students Enroll in HVAC101M
Classes for Free at MCC!

FREE HVAC 101 Class

- Option 1
 - Credits: 3 / CRN:10615
 - Oct. 28th – Dec. 16th, Saturdays, 8-10:30am
- Option 2
 - Credits: 3 / CRN:11597
 - Oct. 28th – Dec. 16th, Saturdays, 10:45-1:15pm
- Email to register: ecurran@ccsnh.edu

Upcoming Observances

September:

- National Alcohol & Drug Addiction Recovery Month
- National Preparedness Month
- Suicide Prevention Month
- National Construction Appreciation Week, Sept 18-22

October

- Careers in Construction Month
- National Substance Abuse Prevention Month



National Apprenticeship Week



- Get involved in [National Apprenticeship Week](#) (NAW) 2023 by hosting an event to showcase your programs, facilities, and current apprentices to career seekers in your communities. Not sure where to start? The [NAW Planning Toolkit](#) combined with the [Promotion Toolkit](#) has all the resources you need to plan, organize, and host a successful event. Please also register for our [NAW 2023 Webinar](#) scheduled for Wednesday, September 20 from 2 - 3pm Eastern to get more ideas and tips!



Upcoming Meetings

- Friday, December 15, 2023, 9:00-10:30 am, [RSVP](#)
- Friday, February 16, 2024, 9:00-10:30 am, [RSVP](#)
- *Friday, April 12, 2024, 9:00-10:30 am, [RSVP](#) **Tentative*

HYBRID: [Tim Barton Education Center](#), ABC NH/VT &
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Sign-up here to receive our email communications where we share recent asks and opportunities.

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Thank you!

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