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January 3, 2017

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

1. Authorize the Department of Education, Division of Educational Improvement to enter into a cooperative project agreement with Keene State College (Vendor Code 177865) in an amount not to exceed \$182,543.68, to support the Title IIA State Agency for Higher Education (SAHE) initiative for Improving Teaching Quality by providing high quality, sustained professional development opportunities to teachers and educational leaders, effective upon the date of Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2017. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in the account entitled Title II Prof Develop as follows:

	<u>FY 17</u>
06-56-56-563010-21830000-082-500599 Education Grants	\$182,543.68

2. Subject to Governor and Council approval, authorize the Department of Education to include a renewal option on this contract for up to one additional fiscal year, subject to the contractor's acceptable performance of the terms therein.

EXPLANATION

A Request for Proposals was developed and posted on the Department website on August 2, 2016 and in the Union Leader on August 8-10, 2016. The deadline for receipt of proposals was August 26, 2016. Two proposals were received, reviewed and rated by an evaluation team (see Attachment A). The team consisted of two Education Consultants and two Professors. They have recommended that both proposals be brought forward for approval. Keene State College submitted one of the proposals.

SAHE projects must increase teachers' knowledge of core academic subjects and instructional strategies, to maximize achievement for all students. The Federal government has established strict criteria for awarding sub-grants to eligible partnerships. An eligible partnership must be comprised of at least (1) one institution of higher education (IHE) including its division that

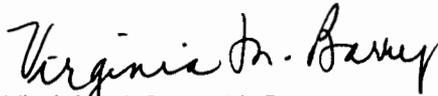
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prepares teachers and principals, (2) one school of arts and sciences, and (3) one high-need local education agency (LEA). The partnerships must use the funds to conduct professional development activities in core academic subjects to ensure that teachers, highly qualified paraprofessionals, and principals have a deep understanding of content and computer-related technology to enhance instruction.

The Improving Teacher and Leader Quality project will provide high quality, sustained professional development opportunities to teachers and educational leaders to increase Science/STEM content knowledge and instructional effectiveness to improve student achievement in STEM content areas, (2) increase knowledge and skills to enhance principal leadership abilities, and (3) increase knowledge of student mental health issues including strategies for identifying and addressing substance misuse and use.

In the event that Federal Funds no longer become available, General Funds will not be requested to support this project.

Respectfully submitted,



Virginia M. Barry, Ph.D.
Commissioner of Education

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ATTACHMENT A

Scorers/proposers	SNHU	KSU	Scorer Name	Scorer Role	Scorer Expertise
Scorer 1	49	91	Alana Mosley, PhD	Professor, Franklin Pierce	Professor, Education Department, Behavioral Science Division
Scorer 2	32	100	Kelly Untiet	Consultant, Office of Student Wellness	Communications Coordinator
Scorer 3	42	100	Michele Myler	Consultant, Office of Student Wellness	Coordinator of the Safe Schools, Healthy Students project
Scorer 4	97	90	Cynthia Lucero	Professor, NH Technical Institute	Professor, Teacher Education & Coordinator of Field Experiences
Average	55	95.25			

COOPERATIVE PROJECT AGREEMENT

between the

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, Department of Education

and the

Keene State College of the UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

- A. This Cooperative Project Agreement (hereinafter "Project Agreement") is entered into by the State of New Hampshire, **Department of Education**, (hereinafter "State"), and the University System of New Hampshire, acting through **Keene State College**, (hereinafter "Campus"), for the purpose of undertaking a project of mutual interest. This Cooperative Project shall be carried out under the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement for Cooperative Projects between the State of New Hampshire and the University System of New Hampshire dated November 13, 2002, except as may be modified herein.
- B. This Project Agreement and all obligations of the parties hereunder shall become effective on the date the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire approve this Project Agreement ("Effective date") and shall end on **9/30/17**. If the provision of services by Campus precedes the Effective date, all services performed by Campus shall be performed at the sole risk of Campus and in the event that this Project Agreement does not become effective, State shall be under no obligation to pay Campus for costs incurred or services performed; however, if this Project Agreement becomes effective, all costs incurred prior to the Effective date that would otherwise be allowable shall be paid under the terms of this Project Agreement.
- C. The work to be performed under the terms of this Project Agreement is described in the proposal identified below and attached to this document as Exhibit A, the content of which is incorporated herein as a part of this Project Agreement.

Project Title: **Improving Teacher and Leader Quality**

- D. The Following Individuals are designated as Project Administrators. These Project Administrators shall be responsible for the business aspects of this Project Agreement and all invoices, payments, project amendments and related correspondence shall be directed to the individuals so designated.

State Project Administrator

Name: Christopher Motika
 Address: NH Department of Education
 Bureau of Integrated Programs
 101 Pleasant Street
 Concord, NH 03301
 Phone: 603-271-6052

Campus Project Administrator

Name: Penny Miceli
 Address: Keene State College
 229 Main Street, MSC 2611
 Keene, NH 03435
 Phone: 603-358-2427

- E. The Following Individuals are designated as Project Directors. These Project Directors shall be responsible for the technical leadership and conduct of the project. All progress reports, completion reports and related correspondence shall be directed to the individuals so designated.

State Project Director

Name: Ashley Frame
 Address: NH Department of Education
 Bureau of Integrated Programs
 101 Pleasant Street
 Concord, NH 03301
 Phone: 603-271-6579

Campus Project Director

Name: Stephen Bigaj
 Address: Asst. Dean of Educator Preparation
 Keene State College
 229 Main Street
 Keene, NH 03435-3900
 Phone: 603-358-2750/2872

F. Total State funds in the amount of **\$182,543.68** have been allotted and are available for payment of allowable costs incurred under this Project Agreement. State will not reimburse Campus for costs exceeding the amount specified in this paragraph.

Check if applicable

Campus will cost-share % of total costs during the term of this Project Agreement.

Federal funds paid to Campus under this Project Agreement are from Grant/Contract/Cooperative Agreement No. **S367A150028 and S367A160028** from **U.S. Department Of Education** under CFDA# **84.367A**. Federal regulations required to be passed through to Campus as part of this Project Agreement, and in accordance with the Master Agreement for Cooperative Projects between the State of New Hampshire and the University System of New Hampshire dated November 13, 2002, are attached to this document as Exhibit B, the content of which is incorporated herein as a part of this Project Agreement.

G. Check if applicable

Article(s) of the Master Agreement for Cooperative Projects between the State of New Hampshire and the University System of New Hampshire dated November 13, 2002 is/are hereby amended to read:

H. State has chosen **not to take** possession of equipment purchased under this Project Agreement.
 State has chosen **to take** possession of equipment purchased under this Project Agreement and will issue instructions for the disposition of such equipment within 90 days of the Project Agreement's end-date. Any expenses incurred by Campus in carrying out State's requested disposition will be fully reimbursed by State.

This Project Agreement and the Master Agreement constitute the entire agreement between State and Campus regarding this Cooperative Project, and supersede and replace any previously existing arrangements, oral or written; all changes herein must be made by written amendment and executed for the parties by their authorized officials.

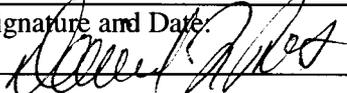
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the University System of New Hampshire, acting through the **Keene State College** and the State of New Hampshire, **Department of Education** have executed this Project Agreement.

By An Authorized Official of:

Keene State College

Name: Daniel Petree

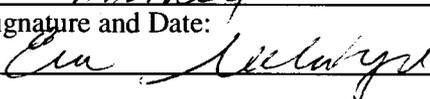
Title: Interim Vice President Finance & Planning

Signature and Date:  12/7/16

By An Authorized Official of: the New Hampshire Office of the Attorney General

Name: *Erin McIntyre*

Title: *Attorney*

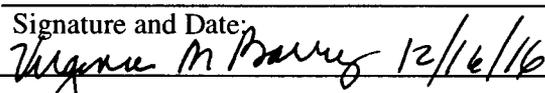
Signature and Date:  12/20/16

By An Authorized Official of:

Department of Education

Name: Virginia M. Barry, Ph.D.

Title: Commissioner of Education

Signature and Date:  12/6/16

By An Authorized Official of: the New Hampshire Governor & Executive Council

Name:

Title:

Signature and Date:

EXHIBIT A

- A. Project Title:** Improving Teacher and Leader Quality
- B. Project Period:** From the date of Governor & Council Approval through September 30, 2017. Authorize the New Hampshire Department of Education to enter into a Cooperative Project Agreement with the Keene State College (Vendor Code 177865) to support the New Hampshire Department of Education Title IIA State Agency for Higher Education (SAHE) initiative Improving Teacher and Leader Quality.
- C. Objectives:** The Improving Teacher and Leader Quality project is a partnership between Keene State College (KSC), Winchester School (principal LEA partner), Hopkinton School District, Jaffrey-Rindge School District, Keene High School, Lempster Community School, Monadnock Regional School District, Contoocook Valley Regional School District, and the Southwest NH Principals Collaborative. The project will: Provide high quality professional development to teachers and leaders to increase Science/STEM content knowledge and instructional effectiveness of teachers and improve student achievement in STEM content areas; Design and implement principal leadership activities in the Southwest NH region to help districts build capacity for highly effective leaders with the skills necessary to support student success and school transformation; and Provide professional development activities to teachers and leaders in partner schools and local agencies related to student mental health issues including substance misuse and use.
- D. Scope of Work:** First Objective: Provide high quality professional development to teachers and leaders to increase Science/STEM content knowledge and instructional effectiveness of teachers and improve student achievement in STEM content areas - 1. Develop SW STEM Professional Learning Community (PLC) monthly meeting schedule by project director and PLC facilitator; 2. Disseminate SW STEM PLC information to teachers and leaders in regional public and private schools; 3. Hold PLC meetings to include training in alignment of Next Generation Science Standards and other STEM topics; 4. Provide CEUs, PD certificates, notes for meeting participants; 5. Conduct a needs assessment with Winchester teachers to identify attitudes toward STEM and instructional needs; 6. Build upon the KSC/Winchester partnership for teacher preparation and STEM co-teaching immersion model based on identified needs; 7. Provide materials and supplies for a makerspace in the Winchester school geared toward primary school students; 8. Provide training and consultation in STEM content areas based on specific needs to teachers and leaders in partner districts; and 9. Hold a Summer Institute at KSC in July of 2017 as a culminating professional learning event to include participation by partner LEAs, KSC faculty, project consultants, and experts in the STEM and student wellness/substance misuse and use fields.

Second Objective: Design and implement principal leadership activities in the Southwest NH region to help districts build capacity for highly effective leaders with the skills necessary to support student success and school transformation - 1. Identify Steering Committee members for a Southwest (SW) regional consortium for principal leadership; 2. Conduct visioning session with the Steering Committee to identify vision and mission for a SW regional consortium; 3. Design a framework, budget and timeline for a two or three year graduate program in principal leadership using a regional consortium model; 4. Develop policies and procedures for the nomination and selection of potential cohort students from participating districts; 5. Identify students from participating LEAs to participate in first regional cohort; and 6. Develop SW Principals Collaborative web presence, to include

opportunities for sharing of resources and serve as an educational leadership clearinghouse.

Third Objective: Provide professional development activities to teachers and leaders in partner schools and local agencies related to student mental health issues including substance misuse and use - 1. Identify specific training topics related to substance misuse and use by disseminating a needs assessment survey to educators/LEAs in the region; 2. Offer professional development activities to teachers and leaders based on identified needs; and 3. Attend regularly scheduled State Opioid Task Force meetings; share information and resources with teachers and educational leaders and regional groups.

- E. Deliverables Schedule:** The Project Director will submit monthly financial reports for reimbursement to the Department of Education, quarterly reports of activities completed to the NH DOE Project Director and an evaluation upon completion of the grant.
- F. Budget and Invoicing Instructions:** Grand Total: \$182,543.68. The Project Director will submit monthly invoices to the Department of Education. Invoices will be based on actual project expenses incurred during the invoicing period and shall show current and cumulative expenses by major cost categories. Campus will submit its final invoice and report not later than 60 days after the Project Period end date. See attached budget narrative and breakdown.

Invoices and reports shall be submitted to: Ashley Frame, NH Department of Education, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301

- G: Renewal:** Subject to Governor and Council approval, authorize the Department of Education to include a renewal option on this contract for up to one additional fiscal year, subject to the contractor's acceptable performance of the terms therein.

EXHIBIT B

This Project Agreement is funded under a Grant/Contract/Cooperative Agreement to State from the Federal sponsor specified in Project Agreement article F. All applicable requirements, regulations, provisions, terms and conditions of this Federal Grant/Contract/Cooperative Agreement are hereby adopted in full force and effect to the relationship between State and Campus, except that wherever such requirements, regulations, provisions and terms and conditions differ for INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, the appropriate requirements should be substituted (e.g., OMB Circulars A-21 and A-110, rather than OMB Circulars A-87 and A-102). References to Contractor or Recipient in the Federal language will be taken to mean Campus; references to the Government or Federal Awarding Agency will be taken to mean Government/Federal Awarding Agency or State or both, as appropriate.

Special Federal provisions are listed here: None or .

**BUDGET
2016-2017**

1. Salaries and Fringe Benefits	
A. Professional	\$29,242
B. Classified	\$10,114
C. Student	
D. Consultant	\$42,000
E. Other (Explain)	
F. Fringe Benefits	\$8,947.28
Total Personnel Costs	\$90,303.28
2. Travel (Attach explanation as appropriate)	
A. In-State	\$4,027.40
B. Out-of-State	
Total Travel Costs	\$4,027.40
3. Operating	
A. Office Copying/Supplies/ Expenses(for special purposes only)	\$6,300
B. Instructional	
C. Equipment	
D. Printing	\$1,500
E. Other (Explain) (SW Center & Stipends)	\$56,800
Total Operating Costs	\$64,600
SUBTOTAL	\$158,930.68
Indirect costs (60% salary/wages - \$39,356)	\$23,613
GRAND TOTAL COSTS	\$182,543.68

V. Budget Narrative

Salaries & Wages (\$39,356 total)

Steve Bigaj - 3% of his time during the academic year (\$3,272) and 5 days during summer 2017 (\$3,030) = \$6,302.

John Couture - 2% of his time during the academic year (\$2,058) and 3 days during the summer (\$1,713) = \$3,771.

Sally Jean - 10% of her time during the academic year (\$9,653) and 7 days in the summer (\$3,752) = \$13,405.

Debbie Black - 3% of her time during the academic year (\$2,994) and 5 days in the summer (\$2,770) = \$5,764.

Heather Pelkey - \$40/hour x 8 hours x 5 days in the summer = \$1,600.

Betsy Street - \$30/hour for approximately 6 hours/week = \$8,514.

Fringe Benefits (\$8,947.28 total)

\$17,977 @ 39.9% = \$7,172.82 (faculty academic year salary)

\$21,379.00 @ 8.3% = \$1,774.46 (faculty summer salary and hourly wages)

Supplies (\$6,300 total)

\$5,000 - supplies and materials to expand a Makerspace at Winchester School

\$1,000 - supplies for interactive STEM and substance use professional development

\$300 - website software

Travel (\$4,027.40 total)

\$500 - In-state travel by project personnel for project-related meetings

\$600 - Travel expenses for Summer Institute presenters (3 @ \$200/day)

\$2,162.40- mileage for STEM consultants in the LEAs (53 trips x 80 miles x .51 per mile)

\$765.00 - mileage for workshop presenters (6 trips x 250 miles x .51 per mile).

Consultant Costs (\$42,000 total)

Consultants will be hired to deliver 53 days of STEM coaching and training onsite at LEAs. (53 days x \$600/day = \$31,800)

Presenters and consultants will be hired to provide approximately 11 days of professional learning experiences in all grant areas for in-service and preservice educators. (11 days x \$600/day = \$6,600.)

6 presenters will be hired to present 1-day workshops at the Summer Institute. (6 x \$600/day = \$3,600)

Southwest Center (\$52,800 total)

SW Center total coordination costs (\$660/day x 80 days)

Other Direct Costs (\$5,500)

\$1,500 – Faculty work and workshop/institute printing and copying

\$4,000 - 50 stipends at \$80/day to enable LEAs to hire substitute teachers so LEA teachers can participate in consulting, coaching, and workshops

Indirect (F&A) Costs (\$23,613 total)

60% (indirect costs) x \$39,356 (salaries and wages) (per Keene State's current negotiated rate with our cognizant agency DHHS on July 14, 2016)

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES RATE AGREEMENT

EIN: 0226000937A1

DATE:07/14/2016

ORGANIZATION:

FILING REF.: The preceding agreement was dated 07/22/2013

Keene State College
229 Main Street
Keene, NH 03435-1505

The rates approved in this agreement are for use on grants, contracts and other agreements with the Federal Government, subject to the conditions in Section III.

SECTION I: Facilities And Administrative Cost Rates

RATE TYPES: FIXED FINAL PROV. (PROVISIONAL) PRED. (PREDETERMINED)

EFFECTIVE PERIOD

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>RATE (%)</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>APPLICABLE TO</u>
PRED.	07/01/2016	06/30/2020	60.00	On-Campus	All Programs
PRED.	07/01/2016	06/30/2020	20.30	Off-Campus	All Programs
PROV.	07/01/2020	Until Amended			Use same rates and conditions as those cited for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

*BASE

Direct salaries and wages including vacation, holiday, sick pay and other paid absences but excluding all other fringe benefits.

ORGANIZATION: Keene State College

AGREEMENT DATE: 7/14/2016

SECTION II: SPECIAL REMARKS

TREATMENT OF FRINGE BENEFITS:

Fringe benefits applicable to direct salaries and wages are treated as direct costs.

TREATMENT OF PAID ABSENCES

Vacation, holiday, sick leave pay and other paid absences are included in salaries and wages and are claimed on grants, contracts and other agreements as part of the normal cost for salaries and wages. Separate claims are not made for the cost of these paid absences.

OFF-CAMPUS DEFINITION: For all activities performed in facilities not owned by the institution and to which rent is directly allocated to the project(s), the off-campus rate will apply. Actual costs will be apportioned between on-campus and off-campus components. Each portion will bear the appropriate rate.

Equipment means an article of nonexpendable, tangible personal property having a useful life of more than one year, and an acquisition cost of \$5,000 or more per unit.

Next F&A cost rate proposal based on actual costs for FYE 6/30/2019 is due by 12/31/2019.

ORGANIZATION: Keene State College

AGREEMENT DATE: 7/14/2016

SECTION III: GENERAL

A. LIMITATIONS:

The rates in this Agreement are subject to any statutory or administrative limitations and apply to a given grant, contract or other agreement only to the extent that funds are available. Acceptance of the rates is subject to the following conditions: (1) Only costs incurred by the organization were included in its facilities and administrative cost pools as finally accepted; such costs are legal obligations of the organization and are allowable under the governing cost principles; (2) The same costs that have been treated as facilities and administrative costs are not claimed as direct costs; (3) Similar types of costs have been accorded consistent accounting treatment; and (4) The information provided by the organization which was used to establish the rates is not later found to be materially incomplete or inaccurate by the Federal Government. In such situations the rate(s) would be subject to renegotiation at the discretion of the Federal Government.

B. ACCOUNTING CHANGES:

This Agreement is based on the accounting system purported by the organization to be in effect during the Agreement period. Changes to the method of accounting for costs which affect the amount of reimbursement resulting from the use of this Agreement require prior approval of the authorized representative of the cognizant agency. Such changes include, but are not limited to, changes in the charging of a particular type of cost from facilities and administrative to direct. Failure to obtain approval may result in cost disallowances.

C. FIXED RATES:

If a fixed rate is in this Agreement, it is based on an estimate of the costs for the period covered by the rate. When the actual costs for this period are determined, an adjustment will be made to a rate of a future year(s) to compensate for the difference between the costs used to establish the fixed rate and actual costs.

D. USE BY OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES:

The rates in this Agreement were approved in accordance with the authority in Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200 (2 CFR 200), and should be applied to grants, contracts and other agreements covered by 2 CFR 200, subject to any limitations in A above. The organization may provide copies of the Agreement to other Federal Agencies to give them early notification of the Agreement.

E. OTHER:

If any Federal contract, grant or other agreement is reimbursing facilities and administrative costs by a means other than the approved rate(s) in this Agreement, the organization should (1) credit such costs to the affected programs, and (2) apply the approved rate(s) to the appropriate base to identify the proper amount of facilities and administrative costs allocable to these programs.

BY THE INSTITUTION:

Keene State College

(INSTITUTION)

(SIGNATURE)

Daniel Petree

(NAME)

Interim VP for Finance and Planning

(TITLE)

July 19, 2016

(DATE)

ON BEHALF OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

(AGENCY)

Darryl W. Mayes - A

(SIGNATURE)

Darryl W. Mayes

(NAME)

Deputy Director, Cost Allocation Services

(TITLE)

7/14/2016

(DATE) 0797

HHS REPRESENTATIVE:

Michael Leonard

Telephone:

(212) 264-2069

Abbreviated Vita
Stephen J. Bigaj, Ph.D.

School of Professional and Graduate Studies, Keene State College

ACADEMIC DEGREES

- 1995 **University of Connecticut, Ph.D., Storrs, Connecticut**
Major: Special Education, Department of Educational Psychology
Related Area: Educational Leadership
- 1991 **University of Minnesota, M.A., Minneapolis, Minnesota**
Major: Educational Psychology
Minor: Special Education
- 1985 **St. Norbert College, B.A., DePere, Wisconsin**
Major: Education

RECENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

- 2015 - Present **Assistant Dean, School of Professional and Graduate Studies, Keene State College, Keene, NH.**
- 1999 - Present **Professor, Education Department, Keene State College. *Specialization:* Secondary Special Education and Transition**
- 2004 - Present **Keene State College Site Director, Monadnock Center for Successful Transitions**
- 2010 - 2015 **Associate Dean, School of Professional and Graduate Studies, Keene State College, Keene, NH.**

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Street, B., Black, D., Bigaj, S., & Mahon, S. (2012). *Habits of work: An employment skills curriculum*. Keene, NH: Monadnock Center for Successful Transitions at Keene State College, Keene State College. <http://habitsofwork.keenecommons.net/home>
<http://transitions.keenecommons.net/print-materials>
- Madaus, J., Rinaldi, C., Bigaj, S., & Chafouleas, S.M. (2008). An examination of current assessment practices in northeastern school districts. *Assessment for Effective Intervention, 20*(10), 1-8.
- Madaus, J., Bigaj, S., Chafouleas, S.M., & Simonsen, B.M. (2006). What key information can be included in a comprehensive summary of performance? *Career Development for Exceptional Individuals, 29*(2), 90-99.

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- Bigaj, S., & Street, B. (November 2015). Phenomenal cosmic transition resources on the Next Steps NH website. Presentation at the New Hampshire Transition Community of Practice, Concord, NH.
- Bigaj, S., & Black, D. (January 2012). *Action research for professional development: The power of action research*. Invited Presentation Fall Mountain School District. Langdon, NH.
- Greco, T., Mahon, S., & Bigaj, S. (November, 2011). *What's school got to do with it: Connecting education and employment to life after high school*. Presentation at the Council of State Administrators of Vocational Rehabilitation National Conference. Chandler, AZ.
- Bigaj, S. & Street, B. (November, 2011). *Get them out of the classroom: Habits of work curriculum and ELO tools Website*. Invited presentation at the New Hampshire Transition Community of Practice: Summit V, Concord, NH
- Bigaj, S. & Street, B. (November, 2010). *New transition Resources: Practical tools to support your transition work*. Invited presentation at the New Hampshire Transition Community of Practice: Summit IV. Concord, NH
- Bigaj, S., & Robinson, C. (June, 2006). *Transition: The driving force of individualized education plan (IEP) development*. Invited presentation at the annual NH works conference, Concord, NH.
- O'Leary, E., & Bigaj, S. (August, 2005). *Developing results Oriented IEPs for transition services*. Presentation at the 2005 Transition Summer Institute. Keene State College, Keene, NH.

COMPLETE VITA AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

VITA

John R. Couture Ed.D.

Professor of Education

Education

Doctor of Education, Educational Policy, Research and Administration, University of Massachusetts, 1988.

Master of Education, Educational Administration, Keene State College, 1980

Bachelor of Arts, French, Marist College, 1969.

Educational Experiences

Professor of Education 2012-present

Associate Professor of Education 2007-2012

Dean of Professional and Graduate Studies, Keene State College, July 2004-2007

Associate Professor of Education, 1996-2004, Keene State College

Principal, 1990-1995, Wheelock Laboratory School, Keene State College

Principal, 1983-1990, Fall Mountain Regional High School

Vice-Principal, 1980-1983, Fall Mountain Regional High School

Supervisor of Student Teachers, 1979-1980, Keene State College

Coordinator of Extension Services, 1978-1979, New Hampshire Vocational-Technical School, Claremont

Teacher of French, 1970-1977, Newport High School, Newport, NH

Scholarship and Related Professional Activity

National Education Association-New Hampshire, Executive Board Member, 2010-2013

Public Education and School Support Committee, 2010-2013

Pre-service and Beginning Educator Committee, 2011-2013

Writer for the Educational Leadership SPA report at Keene State College for the NCATE process. Summer, 2013, 2012, 2011

How to make yourself invaluable to your school district. New Teacher Conference, April 2012 and April 2013 Pembroke Academy, NH

Classroom Walk-Throughs presented at the NEA-NH Fall Instructional Conference, October 2011 and October 2012 Bow, NH

Reviewer for the State Department of Education at Plymouth State University in November 2009.

Harvard Graduate School of Education: Management and Leadership in Education, Leading Transformation & Change, June 17-29, 2007, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Sally M. Jean, Ph. D., Chemistry
Professor, Science Education
Chair, General Science Program

EDUCATION:

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| • University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT | Ph. D. Chemistry, Analytical Chemistry | Jan. 5, 1998 |
| • Sacred Heart University | Sixth Year, Education | May, 1994 |
| • Cedar Crest College
Allentown, Pennsylvania | B. A., Biology/Chemistry | June 1971 |

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Teaching/Administrative Experience

⇒ Keene State College

Professor of Chemistry and Science Education
Promoted, 2010; Tenured, 2004
Keene, New Hampshire 03435

August 1999 - present

⇒ Manchester Community-Technical College

Assistant Professor of Chemistry
Manchester, Connecticut 06045

January 1995-June 1999

⇒ Tolland High School

Tolland, Connecticut –Taught College Preparatory Chemistry, Advanced Placement Chemistry, instituted the UConn cooperative chemistry program, Introduction to Computers

1983-1994

⇒ Simsbury High School

Simsbury, Connecticut - Taught College Preparatory Biology, Anatomy and Physiology

Note: Certificates while teaching in Connecticut: Administrative Certificate. Certified in the following subjects:
Chemistry, Biology, General Science, Physical Science, and Physics.

1971-1977

SCHOLARSHIP AND RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- Fall 2015 – present – Member of the Governor’s STEM Task Force.
- NSF 5- Year EPSCoR grant, 2010-2016-Investigator on the Education and Outreach subcommittee .
- Fall 2010—Partner in a successful SAHE grant. Prepared a Science Needs Assessment for NH K-12 public school teachers. Planned 4 science video conferences: April 2010, May 2010, June 2010, and July 2010.

MEMBERSHIPS AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

- Member of American Chemical Society (ACS), the Educational Division (CHEM Ed), and active in the local chapter (Connecticut Valley Section)
- Member of the Association for Science Teacher Education (ASTE) On the Oversight committee
- National Association for Research of Science Teaching (NARST)
- Member of the School Science and Mathematics Association (SSMA)
- Member of Women in Science Education (WISE)
- Member of the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA)
- Member of the New Hampshire Teachers Association (NHSTA)

HONORS:

- Inducted into Phi Lambda Upsilon, Graduate Chemistry Honor Society
- Certificate of Accomplishments from the Connecticut State Department of Education for being a mentor, cooperating teacher, and state assessor

Abbreviated VITAE

Name: Deborah J. Black

Title: Professor

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

1997	Ed.D. Curriculum Studies University of Massachusetts/Amherst
1986	M.Ed. Education for the Deaf Smith College, Northampton, MA
1981	B.S. Communication Disorders University of Massachusetts/Amherst

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

1994 - Present	Professor, Education Department Keene State College, Keene, NH
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PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP/ BOARD MEMBER/ REVIEWER

National Science Teacher Association
National Science Teacher Association Spring 2014 National Conference Proposal Reviewer
New Hampshire Science Teachers Association

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS, WORKSHOPS, INSTITUTES

Workshop co-presenter at the Association for Science Teachers Educators Annual Meeting: Push, Pull, and Perform, Hartford, CT (January 8-10, 2009)

Presenter at the National Science Teachers Association Annual Conference: Lead with Science: Learn How to Use Science Tasks to Reinforce CCSS for ELA and Mathematics Nashville, TN (March 31- April 3, 2016)

Presenter at the National Science Teachers Association Annual Conference: Using Hydroponics to Build and Sustain Inquiry-based Science Partnerships, San Antonio TX (April 11-14, 2013)

Presenter at the National Science Teachers Association Annual Conference: Push, Pull and Perform, New Orleans, LA (March 19-22)

Presenter at the New Hampshire Science Teachers Association Summer Institute for Elementary Education: Science Learning Through Engineering Design for Elementary School Student, Iber Holmes Gove Middle School, Raymond, NH: (June 25-27, 2014)

Presenter at the New Hampshire Science Teachers Association Summer Institute for Elementary Education: Engineering Design in the Primary Grades, Iber Holmes Gove Middle School, Raymond, NH: (June 25-27, 2014)

Presenter at Marlborough School, Marlborough, NH: Science Learning Through Engineering Design for Elementary School Students: (April 17, 2014)

Co-Presenter with Dr. Sally Jean: Using Hydroponics to Build and Sustain Inquiry-based Science Partnerships: New Hampshire Association for Science Teachers Meredith, NH (November 4, 2013)

CURRICULUM VITA

Heather M. Pelkey

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

- Anticipated 2019 **Ed.D. in Educational Leadership- STEM Leadership**
American College of Education, Indianapolis, IN
- 2007 **M.Ed. in Reading/Writing Specialist**
Plymouth State University, Plymouth, NH
- 2000 **B.S. in Elementary Education/Social Science**
Keene State College, Keene, NH

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2014-Present **Adjunct Professor of Education**
Keene State College, Keene, NH
Keene State College, Keene, NH
- 2000-Present **Classroom Teacher**
Winchester School, Winchester, NH

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

National Science Teachers Association
GEMS Associate of the KSC GEMS Site

PRESENTATIONS, WORKSHOPS, INSTITUTES

Workshop Co-Presenter, with Dr. Deborah Black, *Lead with Science: Learn How to Use Science Tasks to Reinforce CCSS for ELA and Mathematics*: NSTA National Conference: Nashville, TN (March/April 2016)

Panel Discussion Co-Presenter, with Dr. Deborah Black, Dr. Pru Cuper, and Timothy Durr, *Using a Co-Mentoring Model in a School/College Partnership to Strengthen STEAM Teaching*: University of New Mexico, Mentoring Institute: Albuquerque, NM (October, 2015)

Elisabeth (Betsy) A. Street

EDUCATION

1981 Wellesley College, B.A., Wellesley, Massachusetts
Major: Astronomy, American Studies

WORK EXPERIENCE

2008 - Present **Project Leader, Monadnock Center for Successful Transitions at KSC, School of Professional and Graduate Studies, Keene State College, Keene, NH**

2010 - 2014 **Curriculum & Logistics Coordinator, ACES Summer Program, Keene State College, Keene, NH**

2005 - 2008 **Associate Financial Representative, Juliana Bergeron, Keene, NH**

1995 - 2005 **Property Manager, self-employed, Keene, NH area**

2004 **Organizational Consultant, Stonewall Farm, Keene, NH**

1991 - 1993 **World Room Coordinator, Monadnock Children's Museum, Keene, NH**

1989 - 1998 **Contract Technical Writer, Clients: Appropriate Solutions, Peterborough, NH; Benson, Douglas & Associates, Cary, NC; Software Professionals, Inc., San Mateo, CA**

1981-1988 **Section Manager, Online Support Manager, Technical Writer, Hewlett-Packard, Support Systems Lab, Mountain View, CA**

WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT

Next Steps NH, Keene State College, Keene, NH
nextsteps-nh.org/

Extended Learning Opportunities: Beyond the Classroom, Keene State College, Keene, NH
beyondclassroom.org/

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Street, B., Black, D., Bigaj, S. & Mahon, S. (2012). *Habits of work: An employment skills curriculum*. Keene, NH: Monadnock Center for Successful Transitions at Keene State College, Keene State College. habitsOfWork.keenecommons.net/

Street, B., Bigaj, S. & Mahon, S. (2010). *Build partnerships for career exploration*. Keene, NH: Monadnock Center for Successful Transitions at Keene State College, Keene State College. nextsteps-nh.org/publications/

RECENT PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Bigaj, S. & Street, B. (November 2015). *Phenomenal cosmic transition resources on the Next Steps NH website*. Invited presentation at the New Hampshire Transition Community of Practice: Summit IX.

Bigaj, S., Cardine, E. & Street, B. (November 2012). *ELOs for your student, ELOs for your school*. Invited presentation at the New Hampshire Transition Community of Practice: Summit VI.

RECENT GRANT ACTIVITIES

2012-present **Project Leader, Next Steps NH**. NH Department of Education, Bureau of Special Education, State Personnel Development Grant (SPDG).

2011 - 2014 **Project Leader, The Rural School Educator Effectiveness Collaborative**. NH Department of Education State Education Agency for Higher Education (SAHE) Title II-A. Subcontract from Plymouth State University, Fiscal Agent.

LIZABETH R. BUORO

Education December 1988 – Present 25 Post-graduate credits
January 1988 M.A. – Learning Disabilities: Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ
May 1980 B.A. – Early Childhood Education: William Paterson University, Wayne, NJ

Certifications New Jersey: Elementary Teacher, Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant, Preschool Teacher, School Administrator, Supervisor of Education, Teacher of the Handicapped
New Hampshire: Early Childhood; Special Education; Special Education Administrator

Work Experience

- 8/14 – **Southwest Center for Educational Support at Keene State College, Keene, NH**
6/15 *Director* – provide oversight for all aspects of the operation of the Southwest Center, the professional learning component of the Educator Preparation Programs at KSC; design and implement high quality, innovative professional development opportunities for educators in the southwest NH region and across the state; build collaborative partnerships with school districts and educational support organizations for ongoing sustainability; provide representation and outreach to regional educational administrators groups; network and seek external funding to support professional development initiatives; work collaboratively with Educator Preparation faculty and Continuing Education staff to support the mission of the Southwest Center.
- 8/14 – **Keene State College Child Development Center, Keene, NH**
6/15 *Interim Director* – supervised all aspects of the operation of a college campus-based lab school; implementing an innovative educational program based on best practices for young children ages 4 months through five years; supporting academic students in applying knowledge through field experiences; and establishing and maintaining positive relationships with CDC families, the KSC community, and the broader Monadnock region.
- 12/08 – **Atlantic County Special Services School District, Mays Landing, NJ**
7/14 *Superintendent* – chief executive officer and administrative head of all divisions and departments of a county special services receiving school district. Responsibilities included the administration of the policies of the Board and provision of leadership for the school system. Leadership and management responsibilities extended to all activities of the district, all phases of the educational program, all aspects of financial operation, and all components of the physical plant.
- 7/07 – **Cape May County Special Services School District, Cape May Court House, NJ**
12/08 *Principal, Cape May County High School*
- 9/99 – **Cape May County Special Services School District**
6/07 *Supervisor of Curriculum & Assessment*
- 8/96 – **North Wildwood Public Schools, North Wildwood, NJ**
9/99 *Supervisor of Instruction/Child Study Team*
- 7/90 – **Cape May County Special Services School District**
8/96 *Learning Disabilities Teacher/Consultant*
- 1/90 – **Cape May County Special Services School District**
6/90 *Teacher, Early Intervention Program*
- 7/87 – **Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ**
1/90 *Teacher/Coordinator, Early Intervention Program*
- 9/86 – **East Hanover Public Schools, East Hanover, NJ**
7/87 *Teacher, Preschool Disabled Program*
- 7/82 – **Jeffrey Dworkin Infant Development Center, West Orange, NJ**
8/86 *Teacher/Administrator, Early Intervention Program*
- 8/80 – **North Jersey Developmental Center, Totowa, NJ**
7/82 *Teacher of the Handicapped*

Current Professional Affiliations

Southwest NH Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Directors Group; Southwestern NH Principals Collaborative; Southwestern Superintendents Group; Southwest NH Special Education Directors

Sandra S. Kent

EDUCATION

MST Biology

University of New Hampshire
Durham, NH 03824

BS Chemistry

St. Bonaventure University
St. Bonaventure, NY 14778

Continuing Education

NSTA National Conference- "Building Comprehension in Science" with Paige Keeley;
"Claims, Evidence and Reasoning" with Dr. Carla Zembal-Saul, Nashville, TN. 2016

NSTA National Conference – Sci. content, Project Based Learning, and Engineering
Workshops; Boston, MA 2014

NSTA STEM Conference and Expo – Multiple presentations re: programs,
partners, and networking re: STEM, May 15-18, 2013

Conceptual Flow: Next Generation Science Standards – Full day with WestEd at NSTA
National Conference, San Antonio, TX, 2013

Quality Performance Assessment – Developing Performance- Based Assessments
within NH DOE PACE Initiative, Center for Collaborative Education, 2012- 2014

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Educational Consultant to NH Schools and/or Districts

Competency-Based Education and Performance-Based Assessment

STEM & Next Generation Science Standards

Project Based Learning and Problem-Solving Process

Higher Order Thinking Skills

Reading and Writing in the Content Areas – focus on informational text

Teaching Experience

McKelvie Middle School, Bedford, NH 6-8 Middle School

Integrated Teams Grades 6-8

1982-2001

Milford Area High School, Milford, NH 9-12 High School

College Prep Biology, Consumer and College Prep Chemistry

1979-1982

Hinsdale Central School, Hinsdale, NY K-12 School

Regents Biology and Chemistry, Gen. and Life Sciences

1972-1976

AWARDS

1994 NH Secondary Science Teacher of the Year

1993 Presidential Award for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

WORKSHOPS PRESENTED

Introduction to PACE for Tier 3 Districts – Competencies and Performance-Based
Tasks- SAU 23 – No. Haverhill, Allenstown, and Amherst/Mt. Vernon/ Souhegan,
2015-2016

Competencies, NGSS and Performance-Based Assessment – Goffstown and Exeter
Cooperative school districts- workshops throughout 2015-2016

Problem-Solving Process – Franklin, NH, 2015; Chichester, NH, 2014; Manchester
School of Technology, 2014

Edward J. McCaul Ed.D.

Education

1968 - Earlham College, Richmond, IN. B.A. in English and Psychology.
1983 - University of Maine, Orono, ME. M.Ed. in Special Education.
1989 - University of Maine, Orono, ME. Ed.D. in Educational Administration.
1995-1996 - Strayer College, Washington, DC. M.S. Accounting (45 hours toward MBA degree)
2002 - Antioch New England Graduate School, Keene, NH. M.S. in Management.

Professional Work Experience

Adjunct Professor, Keene State College, Keene, NH - Fall 2007 – Present: Teach or co-teach courses in special education, educational leadership, and research. Currently teaching Budgeting, Facilities, and Safety, and the Capstone Sequence: A three semester series of courses in action research that is the culmination of the KSC Masters in Education program.

Executive Director, CAPS Education Collaborative, Gardner, MA – October 1, 2007 – July 31, 2015: Provide leadership as Chief Executive Officer of an Educational Collaborative in the North Central Massachusetts Area. Responsibilities as Executive Director included overall supervision of staff (98 full-time plus 10 part-time), oversight of five-million-dollar budget, management of human resource functions, and development of policies and procedures for the Collaborative.

Director of Pupil Personnel Services, Gardner (MA) Public Schools – October 2000 – October 2004; August 18, 2006 – September 2007: Provide leadership for public school district in the areas of special education, guidance, and pupil personnel services. Supervise approximately 50 staff including special education teachers, school psychologists, guidance counselors, speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, physical therapists, tutors, and paraprofessionals.

Adjunct Professor, Antioch New England University, Keene, NH, Fall 2006 – Spring 2007: Taught courses in School Finance, Financial Management, and Topics in Finance. Guest lecturer in Practicum for Principal Licensure.

Special Education Technical Assistance Consultant, Granite State College, Concord, NH – October 2004- September 2005: Identify and provide program assistance to local school districts for the education of children with disabilities enrolled in New Hampshire schools, Southwest region. Initiate, develop, and expand special education programs for children with disabilities. Responsibilities include technical assistance regarding implementation of federal and state regulations, coordination and assistance with staff development, as well as information dissemination/product development.

Additional work experience, publications, presentations, and references available upon request.