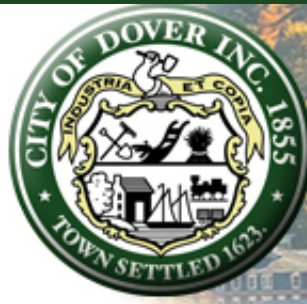


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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



April 10, 2026



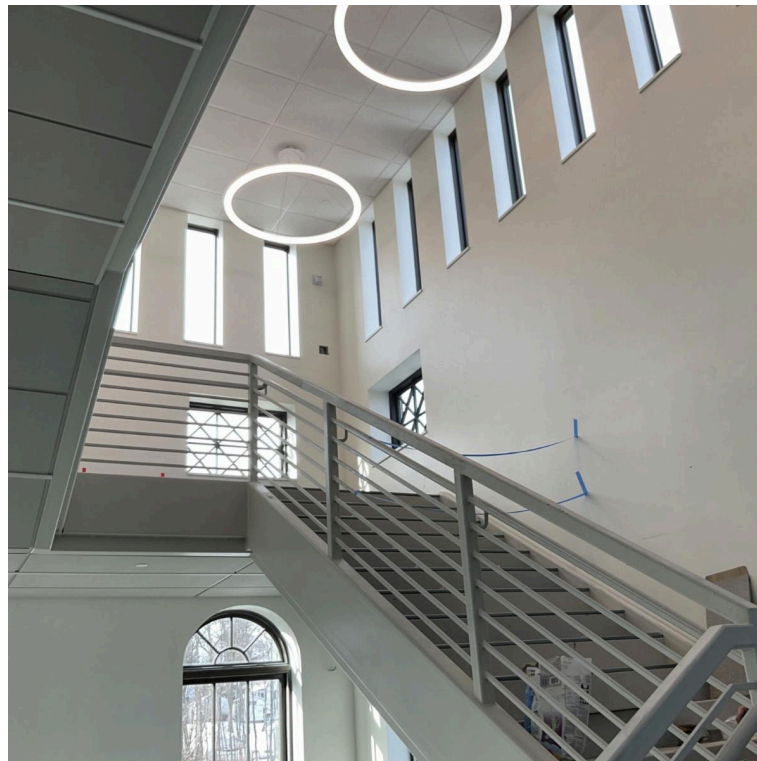
CITY OF DOVER, NH

288 Central
Avenue
Dover, NH 03820
603-516-6000

City Hall hours:

Monday-
Thursday:
8:30 a.m. to 5:30
p.m.
Friday:
8:30 a.m. to 4
p.m.

Recycling Center hours:



A view of the staircase in the new addition at the Dover Public Library. The new addition and renovated library will open June 5.

As move approaches, library to reduce hours, limit collection

Tuesday,
Thursday,
Saturday:
8:30 a.m. to 3:30
p.m.

Open two days a week from April 20-June 3; grand opening is June 5

Starting Monday, April 20, and continuing until Wednesday, June 3, the Dover Public Library will reduce its hours and available book and media collection as staff prepare to open the newly renovated building on Friday, June 5.

Beginning April 20, the library will be open Mondays from 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Only books purchased within the last six months will be available for browsing and borrowing. Adult, teen, and children's collections will be in Room 306 of the McConnell Center, along with limited computing and related services. Room 306 is on the third floor of the McConnell Center. Use Door 3 for stairs and elevator access.

Programming will also be limited, with many events, such as book clubs, held off-site. Check the [library calendar](#) for a list of events and locations.

Online collections available for borrowing, research

Patrons may access the [online collections](#), including NH Overdrive, Kanopy, and Hoopla, to stream and download eBooks, audiobooks, magazines, and films. There are also [online research databases](#) available; some require library cards.

For more information, contact the Library at 603-516-6050 or [visit Library's renovation page](#).

In this week's episode of the Dover Download podcast, Library Director Denise LaFrance shares more details about the upcoming changes at the library and the renovation project. [Listen here](#) or wherever you get your podcasts.



Donna Benton, AICP
City of Dover

Rad Nichols
COAST Bus

Patricia Quinn
NNEPRA

Chamber's State of the City forum coming up this Wednesday

Event to focus on transportation

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce will present its annual State of the City forum on Wednesday, April 15, from 8 to 10 a.m. at the Cochecho Country Club in Dover. The event, which is underwritten by Eversource, will focus on the Transportation Chapter of the city's Master Plan. Additional sponsors include Wentworth-Douglass Hospital and Kennebunk Savings.

City of Dover Director of Planning and Community Development Donna Benton will provide an overview of the city's Master Plan process along with an update on the Vision and Land Use Chapters. Following that, Benton will discuss the Transportation Chapter.

After her presentation, Benton will be joined by panelists Patricia Quinn of the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority (NNEPRA) and Rad Nichols from the Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation (COAST). They will provide information about two of the region's major public transportation providers: the Amtrak Downeaster and COAST Bus. The event will conclude with a question-and-answer session with the audience.

Attendees are encouraged to arrive at 8 a.m. for check-in and breakfast. The program will begin promptly at 8:30 a.m. The fee to attend the State of the City forum is \$30 (\$25 for Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce members) and includes breakfast. Visit www.dovernh.org/sotc for more information or to register.

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce is a not-for-profit association of businesses, professionals, individuals, and organizations working together to advance the economic well-being of its members and the community. For details on Dover Chamber membership and programs or for a schedule of activities, call 603-742-2218 or visit www.dovernh.org.

Next office hours session with Mayor Shanahan is Tuesday

Each month, Mayor Dennis Shanahan holds office hours at City Hall, offering the public an opportunity to stop by and speak directly with the mayor.

The next office-hours session is scheduled for Tuesday, April 14, at 9 a.m. The second session in April will be held on Thursday, April 30, at 5:30 p.m.

Office hours are held in the Council Conference Room on the second floor of City Hall and last approximately 90 minutes. Residents are welcome to attend during the scheduled time. City Hall is located at 288 Central Ave.

For more information, contact Mayor Shanahan at 603-534-3750 or d.shanahan@dover.nh.gov.



Road closures, traffic restrictions in place Saturday for Red's Race

Dover Police Chief David A. Terlemezian announces the following road closures for the 43rd annual Red's Race for a Better Community on Saturday, April 11.

This year, the event includes 5-mile and 5-kilometer options, held simultaneously, which begin at 9 a.m. This is the second event of the 2026 Dover Race Series. The event is sponsored by Red's Shoe Barn and will benefit the Woodman Park School Parent Teacher Organization and the Seymour Osman Community Center. More information is available at [Red's Race for A Better Community](#).

The event start and finish line is at Woodman Park School, 11 Towle Ave. Both races are "out-and-back" routes on Towle Avenue, Arch Street, Washington Street, Whittier Street, and Hampshire Circle. Once participants exit Hampshire Circle, the 5K participants return to Woodman Park School, while the 5-mile participants continue up Whittier Street to Glenwood Avenue to Sixth Street before returning to Woodman Park School.

Road closures

The following roads will be closed to accommodate the event on Saturday, April 11:

- Towle Avenue, from 8 to 11 a.m.

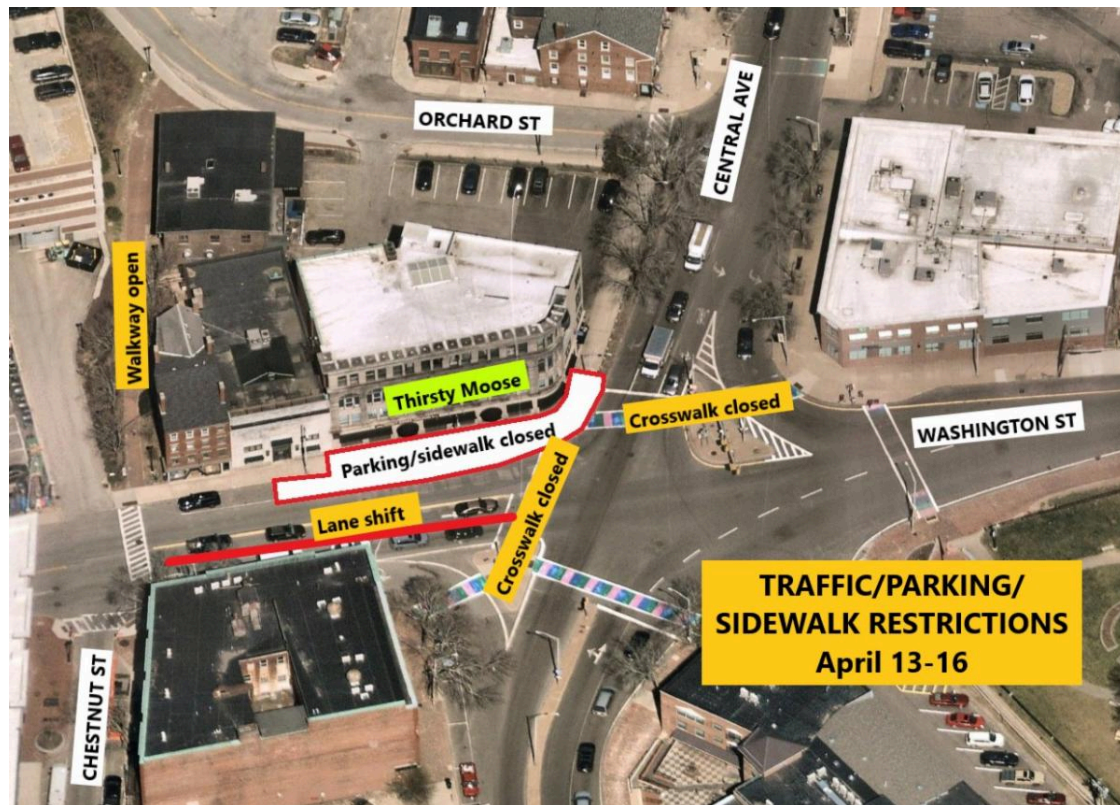
From 8:45 a.m. to 11 p.m., motorists should expect closures on:

- Arch Street northbound, from Silver to Washington
- Washington Street westbound, from Arch to Whittier
- Whittier Street northbound, from Washington to Sixth
- Whittier Street southbound, from Glenwood to Sixth
- Glenwood Avenue eastbound, from Sixth to Whittier
- Sixth Street westbound, Whittier to Glenwood

Parking restrictions

Parking restrictions will be in effect on Saturday morning where posted on Towle Avenue.

Questions about traffic implications may be directed to Dover Police Lt. Alex Mitrushi, Community Outreach Bureau at 603-742-4646.



Downtown traffic, parking and pedestrian restrictions next week

To allow the replacement of windows of the Thirsty Moose at 83 Washington St. at the corner of Central Avenue, traffic, parking, sidewalk and crosswalk restrictions will be in place from Monday, April 13 through Thursday, April 16. All businesses remain open during the work, including the Thirsty Moose.

This project will require the use of a large crane and other equipment, which will impact traffic and pedestrian movement in the area of the Washington Street/Central Avenue intersection. The sidewalk along Washington Street in front of the building will be closed east of Office Interiors and will wrap around to the Central Avenue side.

Pedestrian impacts:

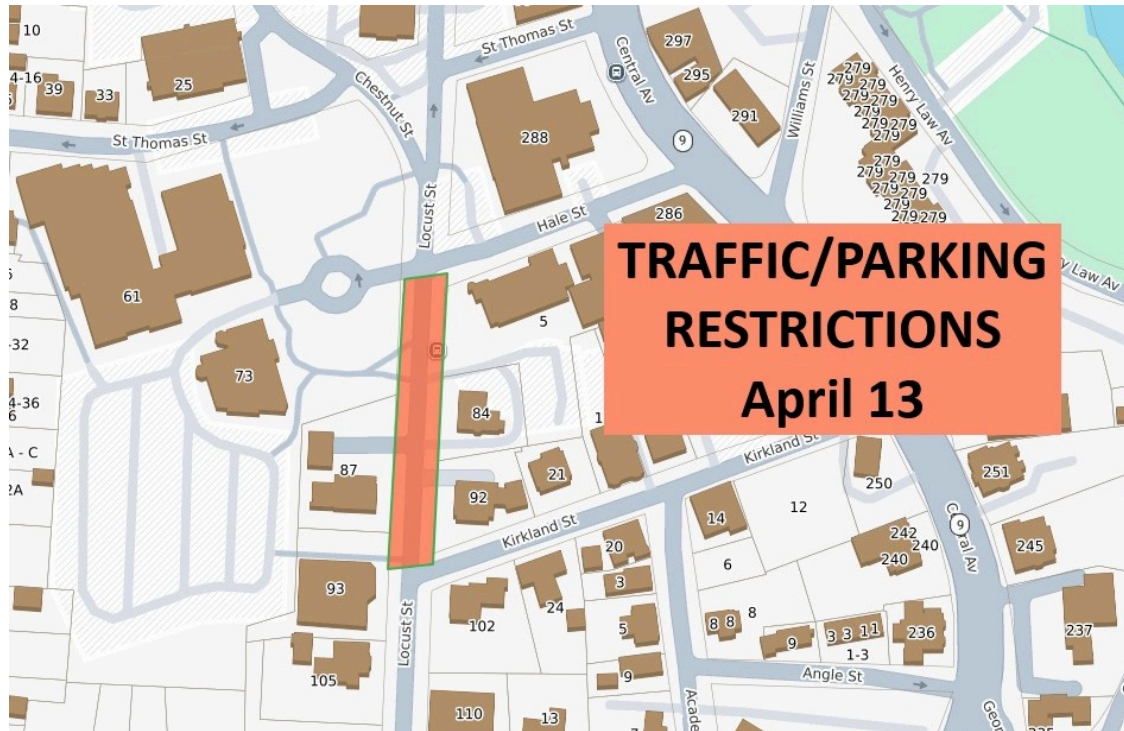
- The crosswalk across Central Avenue between TD Bank and the Thirsty Moose will be closed.
- The crosswalk across Washington Street between the small traffic island on Central Avenue and the Thirsty Moose will be closed.
- The sidewalk in front of Thirsty Moose at 83 Washington St., will be closed, as well as the connecting sidewalk portion on Central Avenue.

Pedestrians are encouraged to cross Washington Street at Chestnut Street.

Traffic impacts:

- One of the two eastbound travel lanes on Washington Street will be converted to a westbound lane.
- The existing westbound lane on Washington Street will be closed, with westbound traffic shifted into the eastbound lane.
- Three parking spaces on Washington Street will be closed for construction equipment.

Police officers will assist vehicle and pedestrian traffic navigating the area.



Locust Street traffic, parking impacts Monday

On Monday, April 13, Locust Street will be reduced to one lane of traffic between Kirkland and Hale streets to allow utility work at the Dover Public Library, 73 Locust St. Traffic flaggers will alternate traffic flow.

Parking will also be restricted on Locust Street on the Hale Street side.

The utility work is scheduled to occur between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on April 13.



A scene from the most recent Fire Safety Festival, performed at Dover High School in October 2025. Dover Fire and Rescue is seeking donations to help continue the program.

Dover Fire and Rescue seeks donations for annual Fire Safety Festival

Dover Fire and Rescue is seeking community donations to support its annual Children's Fire Safety Festival, a long-running program that teaches local students essential fire and life safety skills.

Produced in partnership with the Dover Firefighters Charitable Association, the festival is presented each year to approximately 2,000 students in kindergarten through fourth grade across Dover's public and private schools.

The program, written and performed by Dover firefighters and staff, focuses on key safety messages such as "stop, drop and roll," identifying two ways out of a home, emergency preparedness, and avoiding matches and lighters.

Organizers say the festival plays an important role in keeping fire-related injuries and home accidents low in the community by reinforcing these lessons at an early age.

The annual production costs between \$12,000 and \$15,000 and is funded entirely through donations, with no impact on taxpayers. Firefighters and staff also volunteer hundreds of hours to design, build and perform the show.

Each participating student receives a T-shirt, educational materials and access to recordings of the performance, which serve as continued learning tools beyond the event.

Donation levels include:

- Diamond (\$1,500 and above): Exclusive donor recognition on the cast gift and a large logo placement at the top of the back of the festival T-shirt.
- Gold (\$800 to \$1,499): Large logo placement on the back of the T-shirt.
- Silver (\$500 to \$799): Medium logo placement on the back of the T-shirt.
- Bronze (\$100 to \$499): Business name listed on the T-shirt.

Donations must be received by July 1 to be included on this year's T-shirts.

Checks can be made payable to the City of Dover – Fire Safety Festival and mailed to 288 Central Ave., Dover, NH 03820, or dropped off at any Dover fire station. Donors are asked to include “Children’s Fire Safety Festival” in the memo line.

For more information, contact the Dover Fire and Rescue office at 603-516-6150.

City to host accessory dwelling unit information session April 30

The City of Dover will host a community information session on accessory dwelling units (ADUs) on Thursday, April 30 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Community Room at the Dover Police Station, 46 Chestnut St. This is a great opportunity to learn more about ADUs, whether you’re just exploring ADUs, have a project in mind, or just want to learn more. [Register for this free event.](#)

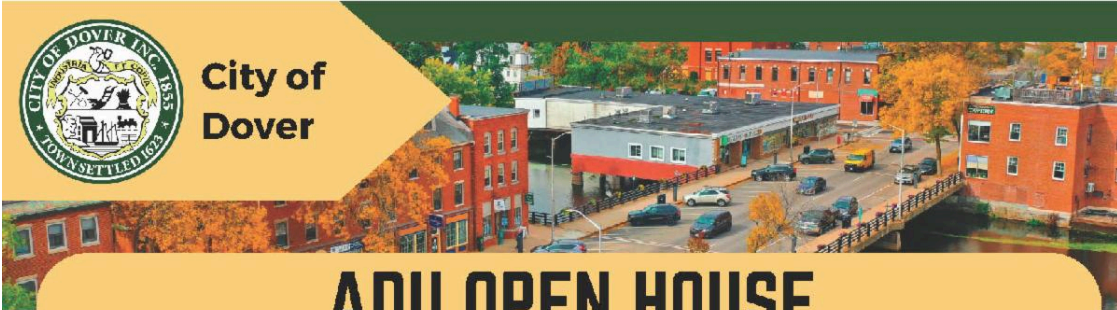
City staff will provide an overview of zoning, permitting, and the approval process, as well as highlight financing options for ADU construction or conversion. The discussion will also cover common questions, misconceptions and barriers. Attendees will have a chance to connect with local organizations offering ADU-specific loan options. Staff from Planning, Zoning, and Building Inspections will be on hand to answer questions and talk through your specific property or ideas.

An accessory dwelling unit is a smaller home that is located on the same property as a main, single family home. An ADU includes independent sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation facilities.

[Register for the event.](#) For more information, [email](#) Assistant City Planner Abby Muirhead or call the Planning Department at 603-516-6008.



**City of
Dover**



ADU OPEN HOUSE

LEARN. ASK. EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS.
THURSDAY APRIL 30 5:30PM-7PM

WHAT IS AN ADU?

An Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) is a smaller home that is located on the same property as a main, single family home. An ADU includes independent sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation facilities.

WHEN & WHERE:

Community Room at the Dover Police Station
Thursday April 30th
46 Chestnut St. - 5:30pm to 7:00pm

WHAT TO EXPECT:

A short presentation on ADUs in Dover:
Overview of zoning, permitting, and the approval process
Time to ask questions about your specific property or project
Staff from Planning, Zoning, and Building Inspection available to help

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Homeowners, builders, real estate professionals, and anyone interested in alternative housing options in Dover

Register Here!



WALK-INS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

FEATURING LOCAL FINANCING PARTNERS

Questions?
Contact Abby Muirhead
a.muirhead@dover.nh.gov
603-516-6008

CONNECT WITH LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS OFFERING ADU-SPECIFIC LOAN OPTIONS AND GET YOUR FINANCING QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

Upcoming Meetings:

**Conservation Commission,
April 13, 6 p.m.**

The Conservation Commission will hold a regular meeting on Monday, April 13, 2026, beginning at 6 p.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

Supervisors of the Checklist in Session on April 14

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, from 5:30 to 6 p.m., at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, 288 Central Ave.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

Recreation Advisory Board, April 13, 6 p.m.

The Recreation Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, April 13, 2026, beginning at 6 p.m., at the McConnell Center, Room 224.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

School Board, April 13, 7 p.m.

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, April 13, 2026, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

Board of Supervisors of the Checklist, April 14, 5:30 p.m.

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

Joint Meeting of Dover and Barrington School Boards, April 14, 5:30 p.m.

The School Boards of Dover and Barrington will hold a joint meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Barrington School District Office, 572 Calef Highway, Barrington.

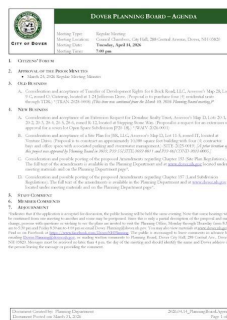
To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

Planning Board, April 14, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

During this session, supervisors will register new voters and make necessary corrections to the checklist, such as party affiliation, address changes, and name changes.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 603-516-6018



On the Agenda: Planning Board, 4/14/2026

In this video, Director of Planning and Community Development Donna Benton reviews what's on the agenda at the next Planning Board meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2026. The video can be viewed by clicking the image above or at

<https://dovernh.viebit.com/watch?hash=7tzbsXIE6CkhDILy>

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting will be broadcast live on DNTV and streamed live online.

Want to keep up on other projects and planning and community development initiatives in the City of Dover? Subscribe to the Planning Department's newsletter, the Dover Planning Review. To sign up, visit bit.ly/doverdownload and select Dover Planning Review.

Current bid opportunities with the City of Dover

The City of Dover is currently accepting bids for the following projects:

- [Nebi Park Pavilion Operator or Tenant](#)
- [Precast Concrete Structures](#)
- [Public Health & Safety Abatement Services](#)
- [Penny Lane Drainage Improvements](#)
- [Richmond Street Sewer and Water Upgrades](#)

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

Energy Commission, April 15, 5:30 p.m.

The Energy Commission will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

For a complete list of upcoming meetings, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/open-government/public-meetings/>.

Volunteer boards help keep Dover vibrant

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the significant energy and talent of citizen participation on the city's many boards, committees, and commissions. Input from these boards, committees, and commissions helps guide Dover's policy decisions.

Want to get involved? There are currently committees seeking members to fill regular and alternate member vacancies, including:

- Downtown Dover TIF
- Open Lands Committee
- Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee
- Recreation Advisory Board
- Solid Waste Advisory Committee

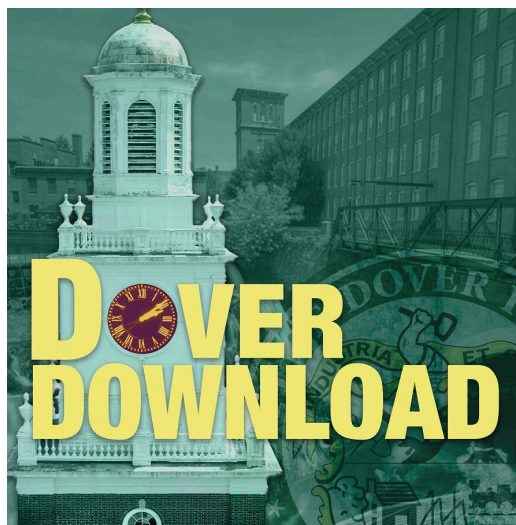
The complete list of boards and committees can be found at www.dover.nh.gov/government/boards-and-commissions/

To apply, complete an application, [available here](#) and at the City Clerk's Office, and either drop it off at the Clerk's Office or email it to City Clerk Jerrica Vansylyvong-Bizier at j.bizier@dover.nh.gov. Applicants are welcome to apply to any board or commission. Applications are kept on file for one year.

- [Sewer Department Supplies as Needed](#)
- [Water Department Supplies as Needed](#)
- [HVAC Preventive Maintenance & Repair Services](#)

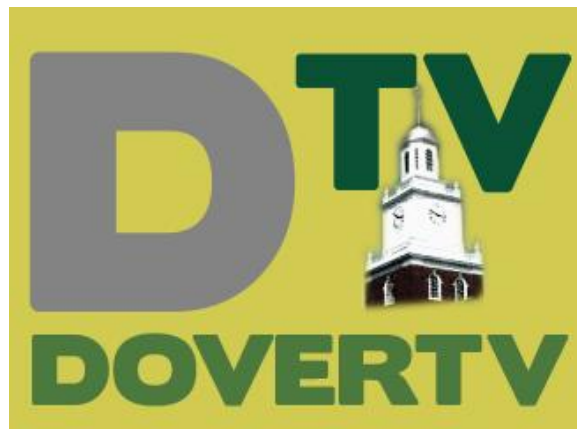
Current bid documents can be accessed on the Finance Department's [bid page](#). Vendors can also join the City's bid list by visiting the site.

For more information, contact the Finance and Purchasing Office at 603-516-6030.



Moving Day: The Dover Public Library Prepares to Head Home

In the latest episode of the Dover Download podcast, Deputy City Manager Christopher Parker chats with Dover Public Library Director Denise LaFrance about the library's upcoming move back to its renovated building after operating out of temporary space in the McConnell Center for most of 2025 and into 2026. Listen wherever you get your podcasts or at <https://bit.ly/4twikSs>



The City Council appoints citizens to boards and commissions from recommendations of its Appointments Committee, which meets regularly to review applications.

Stay connected with DoverTV

DoverTV is your front-row seat to local government and education in Dover, bringing public meetings, community events and original programming directly to residents.

Dover operates two local cable channels. The Government Channel features City Council, Planning Board, School Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, and other municipal meetings, along with other government programming. The Education Channel features school-related programming.

- On **Xfinity**, the Government Channel is Channel 22 and the Education Channel is Channel 26.
- On **Breezeline**, the Government Channel is Channel 9010 and the Education Channel is Channel 9011.

Missed a meeting or want to watch it again? DoverTV makes it easy to catch up online. Visit dovernh.viebit.com to watch meetings on demand, anytime. Archived meetings are conveniently organized by agenda item, so you can jump straight to the topics that matter most to you.

Whether you watch live or on demand, DoverTV keeps you informed, engaged and connected to your community.

Dover Download 'Question of the Week'

We want to hear from you. In each edition of Dover Download, we're looking for your response to our question of the week. A new poll will appear each week in Dover Download, along with the results for the previous week. Participating is easy. Click on the link below to cast your vote.

This week's question:

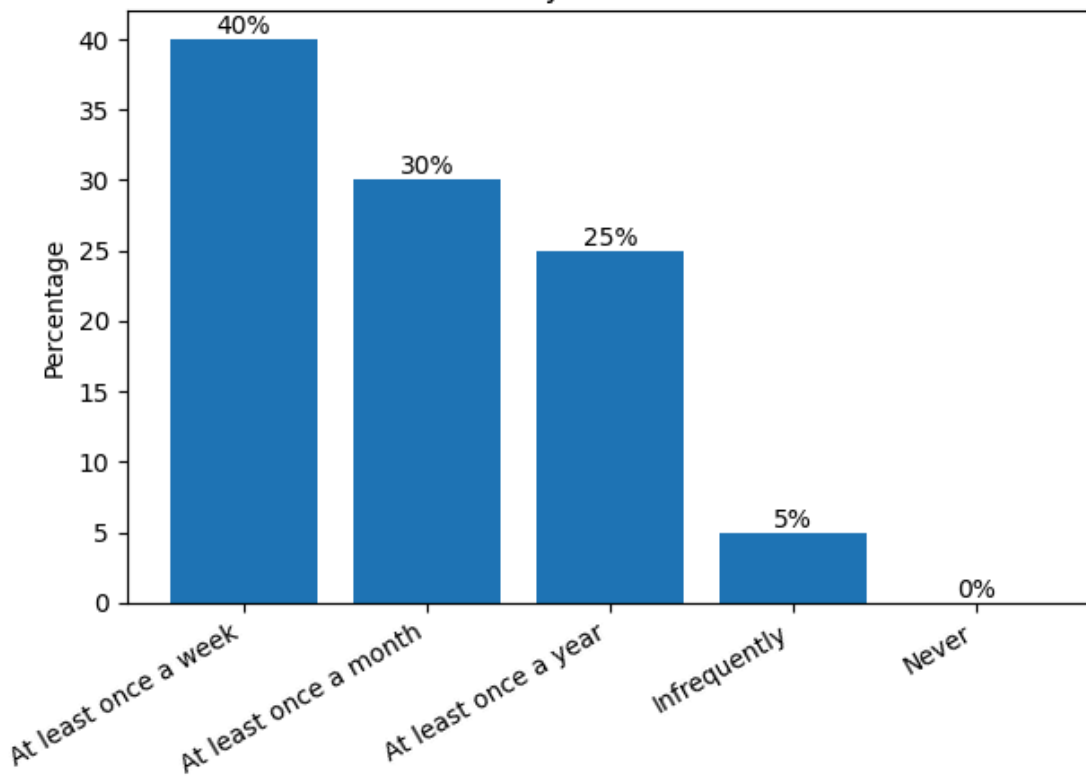
"How would you rate street signage and traffic signals in Dover?"

Let us know here: <https://polco.us/m8d6cr>

Please note that if you don't already have an account with Polco, the city's polling system, you will be asked to create one. Responses are anonymous.

Here are the results from last week's poll, which asked, **"How often do you dine out in Dover?"**

How often do you dine out in Dover?



The following events are from various historical records, sources, and texts about the history of Dover.

For more on the history of Dover, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street, and the Woodman Museum on Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information [located here](#).

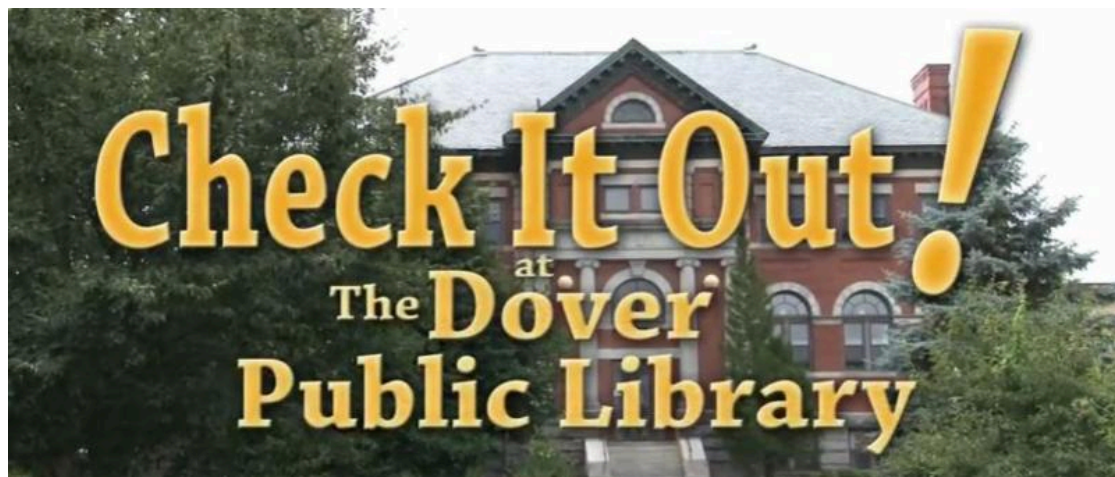
April 13, 1830 — A federal river and harbor bill that included \$4,200 to improve navigation on the Cochecho River was vetoed by President Andrew Jackson. The veto reflected Jackson's broader opposition to federal funding for local infrastructure projects, which he viewed as exceeding the proper role of the national government. Although this early attempt at federal funding failed, dredging and river improvements would eventually play an important role in Dover's development. By the mid-19th century, as industrial production expanded along the riverbanks, efforts were made to deepen and clear the Cochecho to improve transportation and commerce. Dredging helped create more reliable channels for boats carrying raw materials and finished goods to and from Dover's mills.

April 17, 1847 — A fast-moving fire destroyed the Calico Printery, located along the Bellamy River.

April 16, 1850 — Dover received six inches of snow on this day, and the weather was said to be "more like midwinter than the middle of the second month of spring."

April 10, 1852 — A severe storm began on this day and continued for nearly a week, causing rivers to overflow and factories to suspend work. The flooding damaged numerous bridges and buildings.

April 17, 1862 — With the ice finally out in the Cochecho, the first ships from up the river in Portsmouth arrive in Dover.



This Week at the Library

Weds, March 18-Weds, April 15

24th Annual Poetry Contest

The 24th annual Dover Public Library Poetry contest for seacoast area residents ages 5 and up. Prizes will be awarded in 7 different categories (Grades K-2, 3 & 4, 5 & 6, 7 & 8, 9 & 10, 11 & 12, and adults ages 18 & older.) and will be judged on originality, style, and creativity. The deadline for entry is Wednesday, April 15. Contest rules and entry forms available [online](#) or at the Dover Public Library.

Tuesday, April 14, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Friends of the Dover Public Library McConnell Center, Room 306

As a member of this group, as an active participant, or as a leader you can support this group which supports our library. Become a member of the Friends for as little as \$20 per year. This organization funds all the museum passes the library offers, a large portion of our summer reading activities, as well as cultural events for the community.

Tuesday, April 14, 6 to 7 p.m.

Learn to Use Libby: Drop In Session McConnell Center Cafeteria

Discover Free Audiobooks & Ebooks with Libby! This easy-to-use app lets you borrow thousands of audiobooks and ebooks straight to your phone, tablet, or laptop — all with your Dover resident library card. Drop by our casual help session with Nick and Rachel, who'll walk you through getting Libby set up on your device. No registration, no stress — just bring your device, your library card and we'll handle the rest.

Weds, April 15, 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Caregiver Cafe

Dover Chamber of Commerce

Join Cornerstone VNA for a morning of support, education, and conversation.

Loved ones are welcome.

Weds, April 15, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

All Abilities Club: Legos

Great Bay Services

Join us in building with Legos. Use your imagination to make your own creation or try one of the challenges provided.





Energy Tips from Dover's Energy Commission

EASY WAYS RENTERS CAN CUT WATER-HEATING COSTS

If you rent a townhome or duplex, a few quick changes can help you cut water-heating costs and save energy.

- **Lower the temperature to 120°F:** it's safer, still provides plenty of hot water, and reduces energy wasted by overheating.
- **Insulate the pipes:** cover the first 3–6 feet of hot-water pipes with snap-on foam insulation to reduce heat loss.
- **Wash clothes in cold water:** saves about \$60–\$160 a year (up to \$0.80 per load), cuts energy use by up to 90%, and helps clothes last longer.



Dover Senior Center hosts trip to southeastern Connecticut, lobster cruise in Gloucester

The Dover Senior Center has openings for two upcoming trips in August. The first is a two-day excursion to scenic Southeastern Connecticut, scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 11 through Wednesday, Aug. 12. Highlights include visits to Mystic Seaport Museum, Olde Mistick Village, the Mashantucket Pequot Museum, and a two-hour narrated lighthouse tour on Long Island Sound. The trip also includes deluxe motorcoach transportation, overnight accommodations at the Two Trees Inn, two meals, shuttle access to Foxwoods dining and shopping, and all taxes and gratuities. The cost is \$555 per person for double occupancy, with a \$100 deposit due at registration and the remaining balance due by July 1, 2026.

The Senior Center will also host a Gloucester Lobster Cruise on Tuesday, Aug. 25. Participants will depart at 9:45 a.m. from the Jenny Thompson Pool by coach bus and travel to Massachusetts' scenic North Shore. The outing features a narrated two-and-a-half-hour cruise and a traditional New England lobster bake before returning to Dover later in the afternoon. The cost is \$165 for members and \$175 for not-yet-members.

For more information, please contact Linda Jarvis at 603-516-6420.



THE NATURE
CONSERVANCY,
CITY OF DOVER,
WILD BIRDS UNLIMITED,
AND UNH EXTENSION

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY WITH THE CITY NATURE CHALLENGE

Join us for an interactive nature walk! Identify plants, and wildlife by photographing important data to the iNaturalist App. Lead by UNH Cooperative extension and Wild Birds Unlimited staff in partner with the City of Dover and the Nature Conservancy to partake in the City Nature Challenge.

SAVE THE DATE!

SATURDAY

04.25.2026

FROM 11:30AM - 12:30PM

AT WILLAND POND

WILLAND POND TRAIL OFF OF
NEW ROCHESTER RD

[CLICK FOR EVENT INFO AND TO SIGN UP](#)

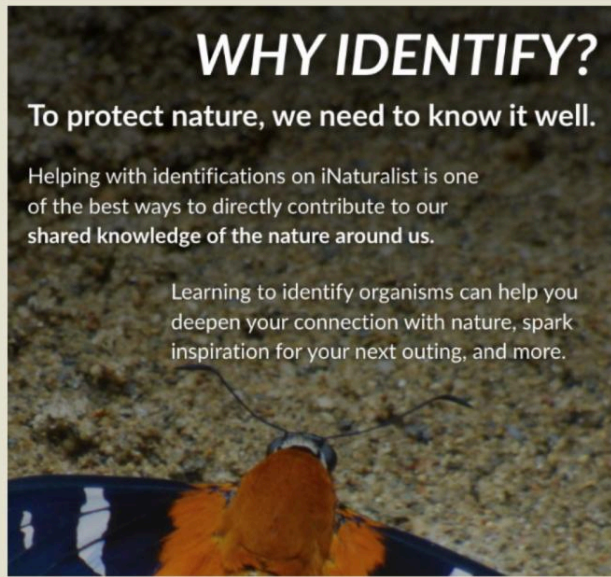
HOW TO JOIN THE CITY NATURE CHALLENGE

WHY IDENTIFY?

To protect nature, we need to know it well.

Helping with identifications on iNaturalist is one of the best ways to directly contribute to our shared knowledge of the nature around us.

Learning to identify organisms can help you deepen your connection with nature, spark inspiration for your next outing, and more.



1: DOWNLOAD 2: FIND NATURE

The most frequently used community science platform (App is free!)

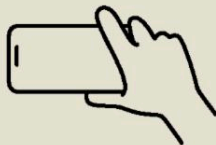


Join for a guided walk around Willand Pond and learn how to identify different plants and wildlife with the help from experts



3: TAKE PHOTOS

Take photos of wildlife and plants - nothing fancy!



4: SHARE YOUR OBSERVATIONS

Share your photos on iNaturalist. This gives scientist & decision-makers critical data about urban nature



[Click to learn more about the City Nature Challenge!](#)

Eversource program provides free trees to Dover residents

Eversource is partnering the Arbor Day Foundation and local communities to promote sustainability and increase greenspace. Eversource is donating 1,000 trees to local communities through the Arbor Day Foundation's Energy-Saving Trees program, an initiative across Eversource's three-state service territory.

Residents can [reserve a free tree online](#) while supplies last. If you are a renter, please consult your landlord before reserving.

Applications must be completed online through the application portal. Application steps include:

- Entering your location.

- Reviewing and selecting available trees best suited for the location to provide the maximum benefits.
- Using the interactive tool to determine the best location to plant your tree or shrub for energy savings.
- Finalize the reservation with a name and phone number.

The portal will guide the user to consider what the full size of a mature tree, and suitable areas on a property to plant the tree based on the property conditions.

Tree pickup will be on Wednesday, April 29 at 47 Chestnut St., Dover, between 12 and 7 p.m.

Learn more about the [Eversource tree giveaway](#), and from the Arbor Day Foundation on [how trees can save energy](#).

In honor of Earth Day, Don't Trash Dover & City of Dover Present

3rd Annual

Power of an Hour

A One-Hour Volunteer Litter Collection Event in Dover, Organized by Ward!

When:
Saturday, April 25th, 2026
9:30AM - 10:30AM
(arrive by 9:15AM)

Where:

Ward 1
Frances G. Hopkins School
78 Horne Street




Ward 2
Dover Ice Arena
110 Portland Avenue

Ward 3
Woodman Park School
11 Towle Avenue

Ward 4
Garrison School
50 Garrison Road

Ward 5
Dover Middle School
16 Daley Drive

Ward 6
Hellenic Center
219 Long Hill Road






How it Works:

- 1. Show Up:** Arrive at your ward wearing a safety vest or bright clothing, gloves, and appropriate walking shoes. If you have a litter tool and/or a wagon, bring it.
- 2. Sign In:** Sign the waiver (if you haven't already) and sign in. The top three wards for attendance win a trophy and bragging rights!
- 3. Collect Litter:** Head out into your wards, and pick up as much litter as possible! We'll provide trash bags for you. Walk facing traffic and respect private property. Don't go beyond "No Trespassing" or "Private Property" signs. Use caution when collecting and don't collect litter in locations that may pose a danger. Don't touch potentially hazardous materials including needles/syringes. Make note of large items which cannot be carried and report to your site leader upon return.
- 4. Drop Off :** Keep an eye on time and return to your ward's location to drop off collected litter and pose for a group photo at 10:30am sharp.

Note: Children under 12 years must be with an adult.

Need more information?
DontTrashDover@gmail.com
Or
Visit Our Facebook:



Critical need for blood donors

The American Red Cross reports a severe blood shortage as requests from hospitals exceed the available supply. The shortage is especially serious for blood types O, A negative, and B negative blood.



**American
Red Cross**

Every day, thousands of patients rely on lifesaving blood donations. The need for blood is constant.

Schedule a blood donation appointment through the [Red Cross Blood Donor App](#), visiting RedCrossBlood.org, or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). [Learn more about](#) the donation process.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities in Dover

- Tuesday, April 14, 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., [Bill Dube Ford/Toyota](#), 40 Dover Point Road
 - Friday, April 17, 1 to 6 p.m., [St. Johns United Methodist Church](#), 28 Cataract Ave.
 - Saturday, April 18, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., [Human Action Foundation](#), 97 Piscataqua Road
 - Thursday, April 23, 12:30 to 5 p.m., [Dover Baptist Church](#), 151 Washington St.
 - Tuesday, April 28, 12 to 5 p.m., [Dover Moose Hall](#), 45 Chestnut St.
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WORKSHOP

SATURDAY,
April 25, 2026



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No experience needed.

All supplies provided.

Benefits our unhoused neighbors.

9 AM - 12 PM

121 Broadway
Dover, NH 03820

All invited!

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Warming Center to host Spring Support Fair

The Willand Warming Center will host a Spring Support Fair on Monday, April 13, offering residents access to essential services and resources ahead of the facility's seasonal closure.

The event will take place from noon to 4 p.m. at the Willand Warming Center and will feature a range of support services, including clothing donations, medical services, recovery programs and housing assistance. Free food will be available, with contributions from local restaurants including The 99, 110 Grill, The Rail at La Stazione, Olive Garden and Evviva Trattoria.

Organizers say the fair is designed to help individuals prepare for the transition from winter to spring and summer by connecting them with local organizations and services.

The Willand Warming Center, located in Somersworth, operates seasonally as an overnight safe, warm space for individuals experiencing homelessness or housing instability during the colder months. The center is operated through a collaboration of local service providers and community partners, including organizations focused on recovery, outreach and social services in the greater Strafford County region.

The facility is accessible via COAST bus routes 1 and 12, making it reachable for residents throughout the area. Following the event, the warming center will continue to operate overnight regardless of weather conditions.

Organizers encourage community members in need of assistance, as well as those seeking information about available resources, to attend.

For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/warmingcenterofsc/>

April 22, 2026
*Willand Pond Earth
Day Cleanup*



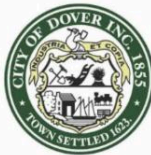
Join Wild Birds Unlimited in coordination with the City of Dover to clean up your local pond!
Location: 250 Indian Brook Dr, Somersworth NH

Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Info: Trash bags, grabbers, gloves included

Sign up here:

<https://signup.com/go/SUKoXPY>



Questions?
Contact Makayla Edegecomb at
m.edegecomb@dover.nh.gov



Community literary and arts initiative launches this month

The Dover community is invited to take part in a unique literary and arts initiative, Dover Reads, celebrating local creativity and accessibility. Beginning this month, residents and visitors can pick up a free copy of *The Green House* by local author Dan Lawton at several local locations.

Participating distribution sites include Auspicious Brew, Aplomb Gallery, Dover Public Library, The Dover Color Bar, and Dover Adult Learning Center.

This initiative aims to make literature more accessible while encouraging community engagement through local businesses, galleries, and educational spaces. By placing books directly in readers' hands at no cost, the project fosters connection, creativity, and a shared appreciation for the arts.

The project is made possible through the efforts of Dover's Literary Laureate, Shane Morin, and the support of the Dover Arts Commission, whose commitment to enriching the city's cultural landscape continues to inspire innovative collaborations like this one.

Community members are encouraged to attend these events, pick up a copy of the book, and engage in meaningful conversations around art, literature, and mental health.

DOVER READS
Events Calendar

Featuring "The Green House" by local author Dan Lawton.

Borrow the book from the library or visit a participating location for your own free copy, then keep the conversation going by attending one of our Dover Reads events based on the book!

APRIL 16 *Floral Arrangement Party*
5:30 PM at The Floral Room, Dover

MAY 07 *Author Talk w/Dan Lawton*
7 PM at Dover High School Auditorium, Dover

JUNE 18 *Sewing the Seeds Discussion Panel: Mental Health and The Green House*
6:30 PM at Dover Public Library

Reach out to our Dover Literary Laureate, Shane Morin, at S.morin@dover.nh.gov with any questions!

DAC Dover Arts Commission

The Flower Room

Dover public library

library.dover.nh.gov
(603) 516-6050

City of Dover employment opportunities

Want to work for the City of Dover? The City's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and a downloadable application for employment. The City of Dover is now seeking applications for the following positions:

- **Police Officer**
- **Swim Instructor, Part-Time**
- **Lifeguard I, Part-Time**

- Fire Fighter/AEMT
- Heavy Equipment Mechanic
- Heavy Equipment Operator I-Utilities
- Custodian - McConnell Center, Part-Time
- Utilities Supervisor
- Health/Fire Life Safety Officer
- Prevention Programmer
- Custodian, Part-Time
- Public Safety Dispatcher
- Utilities Laborer
- Truck Driver-Utilities
- Summer Day Camp Counselor
- Utility Systems IT Technician
- Municipal Construction Project Administrator
- Director of Public Welfare
- Engineering Intern
- Maintenance Specialist-Streets
- Library Page, Part-Time
- Fire/Life Safety Inspector

For more information about these positions or employment opportunities with the City of Dover, [click here](#).

Dover School District employment opportunities

Want to work for the Dover School District? The District's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and online applications. The District is now seeking applications for the following positions:

- District Student Support Counselor
- Occupational Therapist
- Elementary Instructional Coach
- Substitute Nurses
- Physical Education Teacher
- English Teacher
- Speech Language Pathologist
- High School Transition Services Special Educator
- Long Term Substitute Preschool Teacher
- Paraprofessionals- Special Education
- Noon Supervisor
- School Psychologist Charter, Private & Out-of-District Evaluations
- Dean of Students
- District School Psychologist
- Boys JV Baseball Coach
- Business Teacher
- Substitute Teachers
- Long Term Substitute 5th Grade Teacher
- Dean of Student Services

For more information about these positions, [click here](#).

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