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## NH Technology Education and Pre-Engineering programs conduct open house

The NH Technology Education Association announces an Open House at selected schools around the state during the week of February 16-20, 2015. Technology and Engineering are important parts of an integrative STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) curriculum. The open house will allow the public to visit elementary, middle and high school programs to see first-hand how our children use technology and engineering along with math and science to invent, innovate and solve problems.

Participating in the open house will be schools in Amherst, Bedford, Concord, Epping, Plymouth, Salem and Whitefield. Visitors will see sample projects, displays of student work and students transforming materials into items that solve specific design problems. Visitors will have an opportunity to ask questions of the students and teachers about the work they are doing. Technology Education teaches technological literacy, critical thinking, problem solving, the use of tools, processing of materials, and the engineering design process which are all important parts of an integrative STEM curriculum. All NH middle and high schools have technology education programs teaching these valuable skills. If you wish to visit one of the schools, please rsvp to the appropriate teacher and school. Schools participating in the 2015 NHTEA Open House are:

Bedford High School in Bedford, Thursday, February 19, 8-11am, contact Dan Caron

Epping High School, Wednesday, February 18, 9am-2pm & 6 - 8pm, contact Scott Lister

McKelvie Intermediate School in Bedford, Tuesday, February 17, 9am-12 noon, contact Joyce Pelrine

Plymouth Elementary School in Plymouth, Thursday, February 19, 9am-12 noon contact Julie Sicks-Panus

Ross Lurgio Middle School in Bedford, contact Zach Fowler

Souhegan High School in Amherst, Wednesday, February 18, 8-11:30 & 1:30-2:30, contact Bob Rotier

The Whitefield School in Whitefield, Thursday, February 19, 1-3pm, contact Erv Connary

Woodbury Middle School in Salem, Wednesday, February 18, 9:30-11am, contact Christine Landry

About NHTEA: The NH Technology Education Association (NHTEA) is a professional group of K-16 educators striving for technological literacy among NH students. NHTEA advocates for technology and engineering education and advises the NH Department of Education on areas involving curriculum, school requirements and teacher certification. The association sponsors teacher workshops and is affiliated with the New England Association of Technology Teachers and the International Technology and Engineering Educators Association.

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