




It's Not About TIME!

It's About Learning!

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Competency-Based Learning

How New Hampshire Got There

Where Districts Are Today



State Comparisons

NH

Missouri

Population	1,320,000	6,084,000
Largest City	Manchester 110,000	St. Louis 319,000
Area	9400 sq. miles	69,704 sq. miles
# of School Districts	164	567
# of Public Schools	477	2406
# of Public School Students	182,000	917,900
Per Pupil Spending	\$13,721	\$9,597
Average Income	\$63,712	\$45,247
Average Home Value	\$222,600	\$132,200
Graduation Rate	88.1%	87.8%

ROCK STARS

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Aerosmith

Godsmack

Sam Cooke

MISSOURI

Chuck Berry

SAM COOKE

A CHANGE IS

GONNA COME

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Virtually everyone wants a new education system, BUT when asked what it looks like...

Smaller Classes

Excellent/ Well-paid Teachers

New Facilities

More Technology

Teacher Assistants

In essence, a prettier version of what they already have!

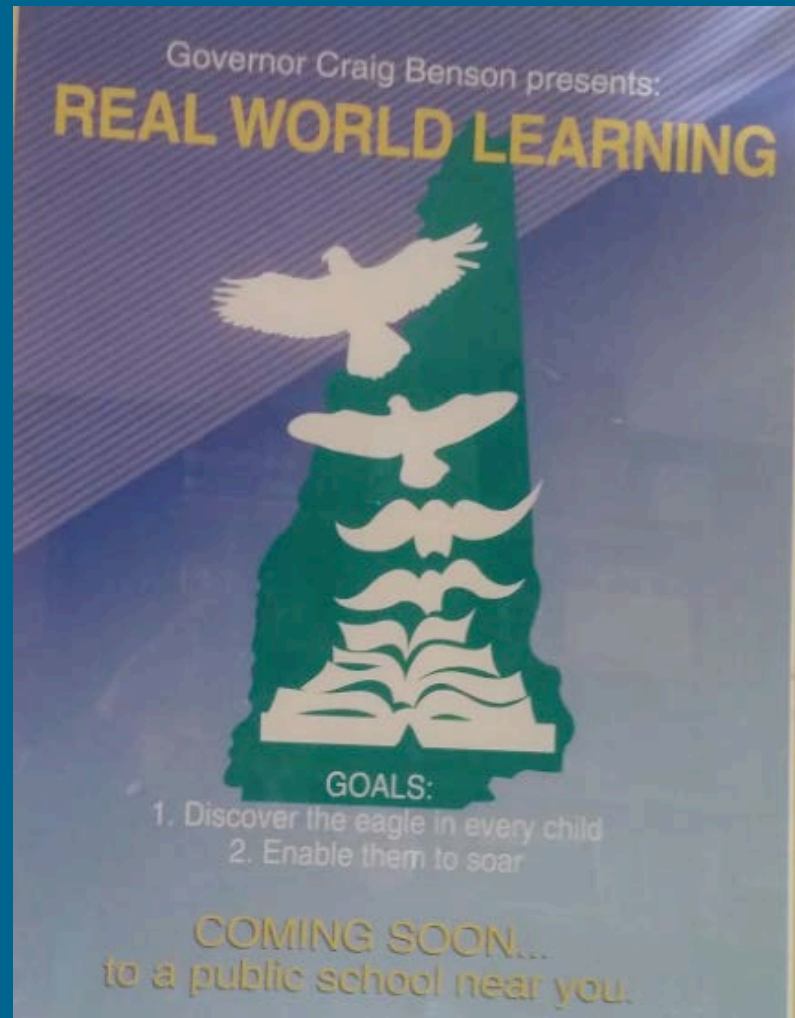
“We’re getting better and better at things that don’t work.”

Anonymous Education Consultant

How New Hampshire Got There...

The Back Story

REAL WORLD LEARNING



New Hampshire's Pioneering Effort

First state to remove the Carnegie Unit (credit for seat time)

National Governors' Association State Innovation Award

PACE (Performance Assessment of Competency Education)

Former Ed. Commissioner, Dr. Virginia Barry, Speaks at the White House

Off the CLOCK:

Moving Education from TIME
to COMPETENCY

Fred Bramante & Rose Colby



Vision of the NH State Board of Education

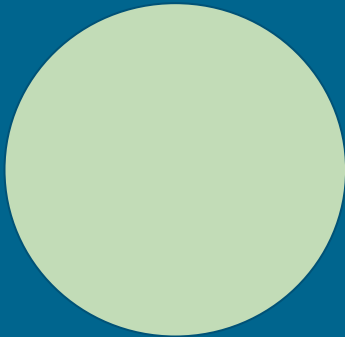
To harness community resources and technology to provide a world class, personalized, student-centered education in a flexible, innovative learning environment that promotes active engagement to maximize the potential of every individual.

NCCBL Vision: The World as the Classroom

Mission: To operationalize experiential learning for the purpose of institutionalizing it as staple of a public education.

Today's Education System

Classrooms



Online



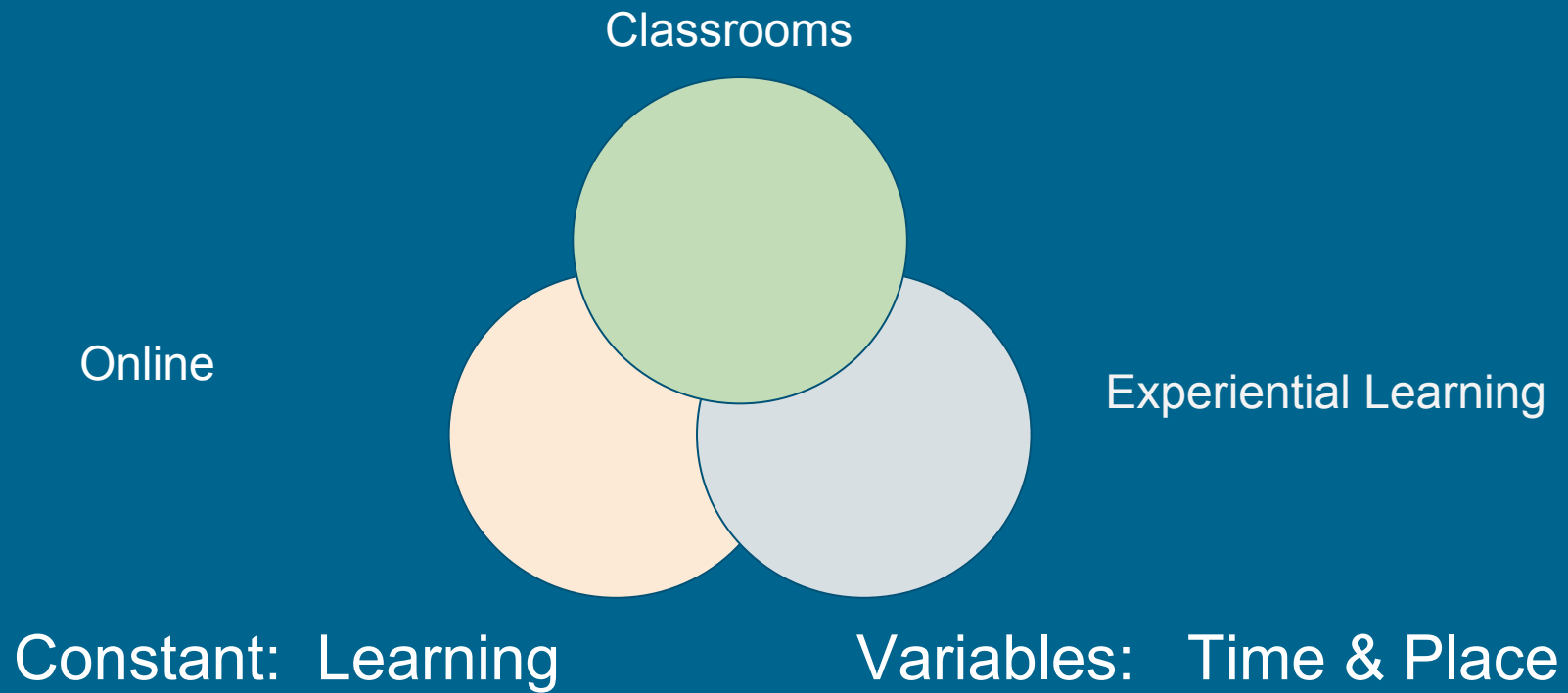
Experiential Learning



Constants: Time & Place

Variable: Learning

Where We are Heading



ELO (not a 70's Rock Band)

ELOs are Extended/Experiential Learning Opportunities available to all students for credit toward graduation.

Internships	Performing Groups
Apprenticeships	Online Courses
Independent Study	Work Study
Team Sports	Formation of ELON (Extended Learning Opportunities Network)

Managing Abundance

We can no longer view our resources as scarce.

We must harness the abundance that is beyond school walls:

Businesses

Non-Profits

Talented Individuals

Natural Resources

Pittsfield Middle/High School

Superintendent: Dr. John Freeman

1 of the 5 “property poor” districts in the Claremont
Education Funding lawsuit

Town Population - 4,082

New Hampshire’s ELO leader

Students at the Center: PMHS ELOs

NCCBL

MENTOR Connect is a technology tool to link student interest to community learning opportunities.

10,000 MENTORS is a project to identify, recruit, and train healthcare professionals, manufacturers, artists, software developers, farmers, musicians, engineers, scientists, and more for the purpose of providing nontraditional, credit bearing, learning options that match student interest to community opportunities. Goals are:

- Developing a skilled, qualified mentor base
- Establishing a new community role in education
- Managing the abundance in your community
- Institutionalizing experiential learning in education
- Using technology to connect student interest to community opportunities

ED² Education Driven Economic Development

Education Driven Economic Development is an effort to make business a full partner in the redesign of our education system by matching students' interests to workforce needs and creating a nearly endless supply of interns.

Making businesses a full partner in education

Making education a full partner to business

Attracting and retaining good businesses

School to career pathways

Matching student interest to workforce needs

Developing our future workforce

Create connections to build our children's future in state

PATHWAYS to 65x25

A high school diploma is no longer enough.

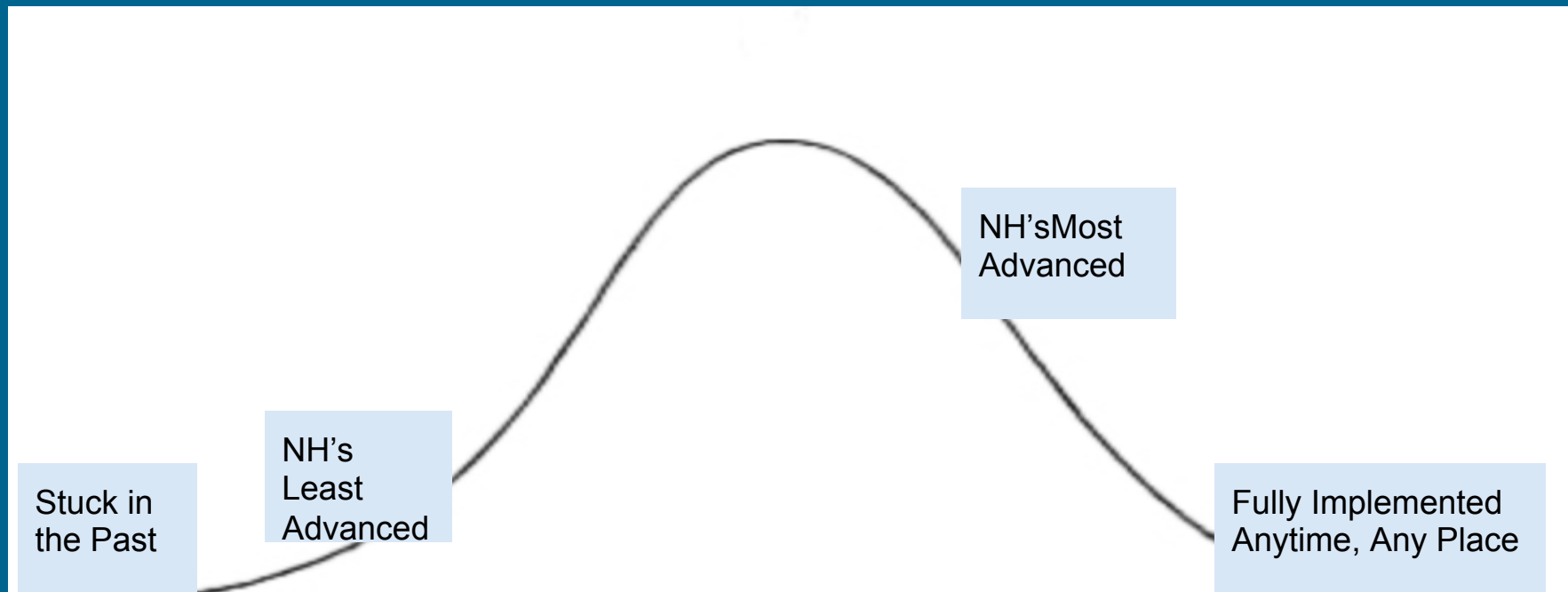
Every student to achieve or be on a path to achieving a career-related credential while in high school by 2025.

—We must make “a conscious effort to create public demand.”

Nick Donohue, President

Nellie Mae Education Foundation

Where NH Districts Are Today





www.vlacs.org

Read about us at Wired:
<https://goo.gl/TFuaYO>

- Full-time and part-time students
- Grades 6-12
- Adult Education
- Competency-based
- Rolling enrollment
- Any pace
- 27,000+ course enrollments
- 13,000+ students
- Students reside in 17 states

Customized Learning

Students determine when, where, and how they will learn based on their needs, interests, and talents.

Flexible Pathways



Courses



Projects



Teams



Experiences



College

Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU)

Budget: 5 years ago: \$100 million
 Today: \$600 million

SNHU's College for America: Competency-based online Bachelor's Degree
(\$2500-10,000)

President Dr. Paul LeBlanc appointed to USDOE for 3 months in 2015.(See Dr. LeBlanc's TEDX Talk)

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