



LONDONDERRY SCHOOL DISTRICT, SAU #12, LONDONDERRY, NH
Information Sheet

Londonderry School District

Location: 268C Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH 03053

Web Address: www.londonderry.org

Area: 42 square miles

Student Enrollment: 4845

Phone 603-432-6920 FAX 603-425-1049

Hours 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Population: 23,236 (2000 census)

Cost per pupil: \$11,543 (2010)

Educational Level of Faculty: 66% Master's degree or higher; 25% currently earning credit toward a Master's

Experience Level of Faculty: 84% have more than five years of teaching experience

Schools: 1 Pre-school/Kindergarten (Moose Hill); 3 elementary schools (North Londonderry, Matthew Thornton, South Londonderry) , 1 middle school (Londonderry Middle School), 1 senior high (Londonderry High School)

Motto: "Giving Wings to Children's Dreams"

Londonderry School Board: John Robinson Chair; John Laferriere Vice-Chair; Ron Campo; Nancy Hendricks and Steve Young

Administration: Superintendent of Schools: Nathan S. Greenberg; **Assistant Superintendent:** Andrew Corey; **Business Administrator:** Peter Curro; **Director of Pupil Services:** Kimberly Carpinone; **Director of Information Technology:** Shawn Coe; **Director of Buildings and Grounds:** Chuck Zappala; **Manager, Financial Services:** Lisa McKenney; **Human Resources Manager:** Suzie Swenson; **Office Manager:** Elaine Allen

District Vision Statement: The Londonderry School District will provide appropriate individualized academic, social, emotional and physical learning opportunities in order to establish a dynamic foundation for quality educational and continued student growth.

District Mission Statement: Our mission is to provide all students with the vision, skills and knowledge necessary to maximize their individual potential. Central to this accomplishment is the collaboration among all shareholders and disciplines so that students can become contributing members of society and appreciate that learning is a life-long process.

Graduation Standards: The graduation standards represent what students should know and be able to do upon completion of twelfth grade. They were developed by the Curriculum Advisory Committee composed of faculty, administrators, and community members and were adopted by the School Board in 1998.

Students will:

- Use the English Language with competence and confidence.
- Understand, explain and apply mathematical concepts and disciplines and recognize the connections to other curriculum areas, the workplace and everyday settings.
- Understand, explain and apply scientific concepts and disciplines and use scientific processes of inquiry to make decisions and to explore solutions to ever changing problems.
- Understand the principles and apply their knowledge of history, civics and government, economics and geography.
- Be effective and ethical users of ideas, information and related computer technologies across disciplines.
- Communicate in at least one of the four Arts disciplines (dance, music, theater and visual arts) and explain various types of arts knowledge and skills.
- Converse in a second language.
- Develop a safe and healthy lifestyle.

School Board: The Londonderry School Board is composed of five members elected to three-year terms. Elections are held every year. The Board sets policy for the school district and hires the superintendent to serve as chief administrative officer. The superintendent directs the educational and business activities of the school district. The Board generally meets every other Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Board Room at the School District Office. The public is encouraged to attend.

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School Calendar 2011-12

School Starts Monday, August 29
Labor Day (Mon) - September 5
MS Parents' Nights – 7th grade – September 6; 8th grade – September 8; 6th grade – September 13
HS Parents' Night – (Thurs.) September 15
Elementary Open House Dates – To be determined
Early Release Day (Weds.) – September 28
Moose Hill Open House (Thurs) –October 6 (AM & PM)
Columbus Day (Mon) – October 10
Veterans Day (Friday) – November 11
Parent Conference Day - November 17 & 18 at Moose Hill; November 18 for all grades
Thanksgiving Holiday - November 23 - 25
Winter Break - December 26 – January 2
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Mon) - January 16
Vacation – February 27 - March 2
Parent Conference Day– March 15 & 16 Moose Hill; March 16 grades K-5, Teacher Workshop LMS and LHS
Early Release Day (Weds) – March 28
Vacation – April 23 – April 27
Early Release Day (Weds) – May 23
Memorial Day (Mon) – May 28
Graduation (Fri) – To be determined
School Ends June 13 (pending no snow dates)

Special Programs: Rivier College on-site Master's Program; Teacher Induction Program; LEO (Londonderry Educational Outreach) which includes the School Board newsletter *The InCider Press*, Educational Access Channel LEO 21, radio station WLLQ-LP-FM and district web presence www.londonderry.org; Charter member of SERESC (Southeastern Regional Educational Services Consortium); Teachers' Academy - professional development for technology training; "It's the Little Things" Employee Recognition Program; Employee Newsletter, *Wings*; Energy Management and Conservation Program.

Recent Awards and Recognitions: 2011-Athletic Director of the Year (Howard Sobolov); PTA Blue Ribbon Volunteer Program (annual); The Lancer Marching Band and Colorguard has performed at three Tournament of Roses Parades (invited 2011) the Washington, D.C. and NYC St. Patrick's Day Parades, Disney World and the Orange Bowl Parade, among others, and is annually extended invitations to perform throughout the country including the Olympic International Youth Festival in Beijing, China preceding the 2008 Olympics Games and the 2009 Presidential Inauguration Parade; NH Senior Volunteer of the Year (2010); NH Middle School Principal of the Year; NHSLMA Partnership Award (2010) NH Superintendent of the Year (2009); NH Assistant Principal of the Year (2009); National Merit Finalist and semis finalists (2009); Employer Recognition Award from Compassionate Friends (2009); NH Educational Media Association School Administrator of the Year (2008); American Association of School Librarians Distinguished Administrator (Nate Greenberg) (2007); School Library Journal/Greenwood Publishing Administrator of the Year (Nate Greenberg) (2007); NH Assistant Principal of the Year (2007); NH Environmental Science Teacher of the Year (2007); NH Secondary School Principal of the Year (2006); NH School Board of the Year (2005); NH Art Educator of the Year (2005); NH English Teacher of the Year and National High School English Teacher of Excellence (2004); National Merit Finalist and Semi-Finalists (2003); NH Teacher of the Year (2003); Milken Family Foundation Teacher Award (2003); NH Humanities Council Treat Award for Excellence in Teaching of the Humanities (2003); New England Woodworking Program of the Year; NH Technology Educator of the Year (2002); Granite State Reading Council Literacy Award (2002); NH Assistant Principal of the Year (2002); American Library Association National School Library Media Program of the Year (2000); NH Principal of the Year (1997).

Community Involvement: The district is strongly committed to community involvement, as it is the participation of residents that provides continued educational excellence. To ensure the opportunity to participate, the district has various committees on which citizens may consider serving by contacting the district office. Committees deal with such issues as facilities and space needs, curriculum, technology planning and the like. Committees are appointed by and report to the Londonderry School Board.

History: Londonderry, incorporated in 1722, has a proud tradition of support for education. In the modern era, prior to the construction of Central School (now Matthew Thornton) in 1949, youngsters in grades 1-8 were educated in one-room schoolhouses located throughout the community. The school district was part of SAU#10, which included Derry, and several other neighboring towns. High school students were educated primarily at Pinkerton Academy through a tuition agreement. North School opened in 1969. Later in 1972, Londonderry Junior High opened; housing grades 5-8 while grades 1-4 were educated at Matthew Thornton and North. That same year, Londonderry successfully petitioned to become its own school administrative unit. In 1978, as the result of a vote by the citizens to end their tuition agreements and embark on a building program, Londonderry High School opened. In the ensuing years, grade level configurations were adjusted and the community constructed South School (1978), Londonderry Middle School (1982) and Moose Hill School (2001). Throughout this time numerous upgrades, additions and renovations have taken place in all school facilities. District administrative offices were housed in leased facilities from 1972-1985 at which time a building was constructed adjacent to the Town Municipal Complex on Mammoth Road