



PARENT & FAMILY NEWSLETTER

January 2025



Historic \$10 Million Gift Supports NEC STEM Students

New England College has received a transformative \$10 million gift to empower students pursuing STEM fields. This extraordinary investment will enhance scholarships, academic programs, and innovative opportunities, shaping the future for NEC students and graduates.

[Discover how this gift will impact the NEC community.](#)



Exciting Updates Underway!

New England College is taking our commitment to athletics and student wellness to the next level with the launch of Phase Two of our state-of-the-art Athletics Center! This transformative project underscores our dedication to providing an exceptional experience for student-athletes and the entire campus community.

[Read more about this exciting milestone and what's next!](#)

Updates from Res Life

Residential Life and Housing is so excited to welcome your student back to campus for the Spring semester! Residence halls open at 8AM on Monday, January 20th. We hope your student had an enjoyable break and is looking forward to this new semester. We also want to share just a few broad notes to mark your calendar for this semester:

- Spring 2025 Opening for Returning students – January 20th
- RA Applications for the 2025-2026 Resident Advisor Staff: February 2025
- Halls close for Spring Break: March 8th – March 15th
- Housing Selection for the 2025-2026 Academic Year: March 2025. Don't Forget - NEC has a three-year on-campus residency requirement!
- Summer 2025 Housing Details Coming: April 2025
- Residence Hall Spring Closing: May 1, 2025

More details and information will be available in future newsletters this spring!

HENNIKER, NH

FEBRUARY 22ND - 23RD

NEW ENGLAND COLLEGE CAMPUS SERIES LAN

PRESENTED BY STAY PLUGGED IN

REGISTER NOW!

\$900 PRIZE POOL

STAY PLUGGED IN | ROCKET LEAGUE | SUPER SMASH BROS ULTIMATE | VALORANT | GRIMS

NEC eSports is hosting SPIN's Campus Series LAN 2025!

Players will showcase their skills, explore NEC, and learn about eSports scholarships!

- ◆ Registration: FREE
- ◆ Prize Pool: \$900
- ◆ Feb. 22nd & 23rd
- ◆ Games: Rocket League, Valorant, Smash Ultimate

[Details and RSVP](#)

Financial Aid Updates

The 2025–2026 FAFSA is now open!

Apply for financial aid for the upcoming school year by completing your FAFSA today at studentaid.gov, before March 1.

What is FAFSA?

The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is the application you need to complete each year to apply for financial aid to help pay for school.

Why should I file now?

- The FAFSA must be renewed annually.
- The 2025–2026 FAFSA is for classes starting after June 30, 2025.
- Some forms of financial aid are limited, so applying early increases your chances of receiving the maximum amount of aid.
- Submitting early allows you to focus on other aspects of attending college and removes the stress of last-minute planning.

Need help?

You can schedule an appointment to get in-person, phone or Zoom assistance with your FAFSA filing [here](#).

Work Study

Did your student receive work study as part of their financial aid award package?

To apply for a work study job, students visit nec.peopleadmin.com, click log in/create account, then search student jobs. Through the work study program, students can earn money in a flexible part-time job on campus or in the community while gaining valuable work experience.

1098-T Tuition Statements for Taxes Available in MyNEC January 31, 2025

A 1098-T form assists eligible students in determining if they qualify to claim an education tax credit on a tax return. The 1098-T form is an informational form and receipt of a 1098-T form does not imply eligibility for a tax credit. Depending on income (or family income for dependent students), whether enrolled full or half-time, and the amount of qualified educational expenses for the year, students may be eligible for a federal education tax credit. Detailed information about claiming education tax credits may be found in [IRS Publication 970](#). 1098-T forms for eligible students are made available online in MyNEC and sent by mail by January 31. To view the form in MyNEC, navigate to 'Student Services & Financial Aid', 'Student Records', 'Tax Notification', '2024'. New England College prepares the 1098-T forms in compliance with IRS regulations; however, we cannot offer any tax advice. Please consult a qualified tax preparer or the following resources: IRS Website irs.gov. IRS Phone 1-800-829-1040.

Academic Advising Updates

Hello NEC Community,

Welcome to the Spring Semester! Academic Advising has been working with students throughout the winter break updating schedules and ensuring students are ready for their return. With classes beginning Tuesday, January 21, it will be incredibly important students are prepared. Students should review their schedules and retrieve their required course materials. These materials can be found via their MyNEC account and our E-Campus website: <https://nec.ecampus.com/>. We also recommend students continue to monitor their NEC email for important updates and term deadline information.

Looking ahead, registration for the Fall 2025 semester will begin Wednesday, March 19, 2025. Students will be receiving information including course schedules and their registration time. Monitoring NEC email will also be beneficial for this as well!

As always, we are available for any questions or concerns by emailing advising2@nec.edu. We cannot wait for our students to return to campus!

-Academic Advising Team



SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, MAY 3, 2025

Commencement

2025

10:00 a.m. | The Simon Green | 98 Bridge Street, Henniker | nec.edu/commencement

Writing and Academic Support Center

Looking Back = Moving Forward with Confidence

By the time you're reading this, we're in a new month (yay, February!) and a new semester (yay, spring!). We're all about looking forward, right? Well, yes, but a quick look back to fall semester might help students move forward with confidence. Help your student(s) with a quick reflective practice to assess the past and make positive and lasting changes moving forward.

Questions to ask your student(s):

How did you feel about last term?

*This question is open-ended and designed to start the reflective practice. Did your student(s) enjoy their classes? What about them was enjoyable? Did your student(s) struggle in any classes? If so, in what ways? Encourage your student(s) to recap.

Did you feel last term was a successful one for you? Tell me more.

*Keep in mind, "success" means something different to everyone. For one student, success might mean all As and Bs. For another, success might mean a passing grade in a really tough class. For others, success might not have anything to do with grades but, rather, a sense of overall growth and satisfaction.

If you could have a do-over, what might you change or do differently?

*Here's the opening for setting goals and making changes. While every student is different, here are some options for changes/modifications based on responses:

Student Reflection/Comment	Potential Action Steps
I probably could have worked harder.	Ask: What does working harder look like for you this semester? Suggested action steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Visit instructors' office hours• Set up a study group with peers• Meet with a tutor at the Writing and Academic Support Center
I struggled with managing my time. College is a lot different from high school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use a planner/calendar/to-do list• Create a schedule—and stick to it!• Meet with a tutor for time management tips and strategies• Work consistently with a tutor for accountability
There's a lot to keep track of—it's kind of overwhelming	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meet with a tutor to make sure you know where to look for course info (syllabus, Blackboard, e-texts, online platforms)• Reach out to your instructor and/visit during office hours.
Nothing, really. I felt good. Grades were good. I'm good. Everything's good!	Keep up the momentum and continue to use the strategies that have been working so far!

Mentoring Program Tips

Welcome back! Spring semester classes begin on the 21st. A new year, new semester, new schedule, new classes, and new professors (oh my!) can all add up to new stressors. Remind your student to use the skills they've acquired so far. Start the semester strong by not missing classes early on (or at all), keeping course syllabi handy for reference, checking Blackboard, and their NEC email daily, and completing homework assignments as soon as possible. First-year students may need to refocus if their first college semester was a bumpy one. All is not lost though, and academic recovery is possible. Remind your student of all the support that is available in Advising, Mentoring, and Tutoring. If your student has been taking a Winter Term course, final assignments are on the horizon. Motivation may be waning. Encourage them to push through. Those credits will be worth the boost to their GPA and will help them stay on track toward degree completion. We are looking forward to seeing you soon! Happy 2025! ❄️ 🧊 ❄️

GET READY FOR WINTER FUN! REQUEST YOUR PAT'S PEAK SEASON PASS!

New!

Pats Peak will be using RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) for electronic access to the lifts!

NEC students, faculty and staff will need a RFID PAT'S PEAK SEASON PASS to use when skiing, snowboarding and snowtubing.

2 Easy Steps:

1. Use link or QR code to fill out a form to request your Pats Peak Season Pass.

patspeak.com/nec



Please allow 24 hours for processing.

2. Pick up your Season Pass at Pats Peak Guest Services.



Have a fun winter on the mountain!

PILGRIM SHOP

20 MAIN ST, HENNIKER, NH



603 428 2220

[NEC.EDU/PILGRIMSHOP](https://nec.edu/pilgrimshop)

Education Major Updates



Pre-service teacher candidate students in the Education internship course this winter are working with students at the Hillsboro-Deering School District as well as the YMCA after school program in Manchester.



CJ Major Updates



We wanted to share success of alumni that were CJ majors at NEC. Shown in this pic is Officer Tayvon McGraw, NEC ' 24, of the Prince William County, VA, Police Department. This picture is from December 2024 and he is shown with Chief Peter Newsham at Tayvon's Academy graduation. His Academy training consisted of 24 weeks of intense and challenging training in many areas. Tayvon will now be assigned to the Eastern District Station, 7th Squad. He thanks NEC and the CJ Department for getting him ready and into his new career to put his degree to work! We are all so proud of him. 😊

Join Us Today!

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New England College, a small private institution known for its transformative and innovative approach to education, is hiring for various positions.

Join our team and contribute to our vibrant academic community.

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New England College Dining

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER



NEC CATERING



From casual lunches to elegant dinners, New England College Catering delivers the perfect menu every time.

FIRST YEAR EATS

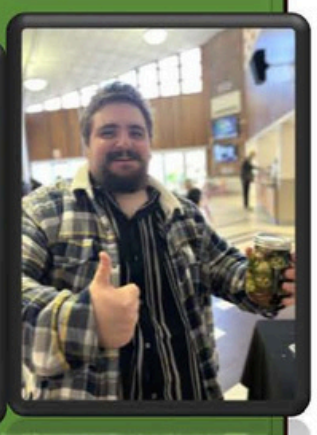


First
Year
EATS

Our First Year Eats Breakfast for dinner was a blast! We hope you enjoyed every bite.

DIY PICKLES

Last month, we turned cucumbers into crunch-tastic creations at our DIY pickles event! Thanks to everyone who joined in and pickled their way to perfection.



MIX & MINGLE

Closing out our First Year Eats semester with full bellies and happy memories – thanks for making it a success!

First
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EATS



SIMON GRILL

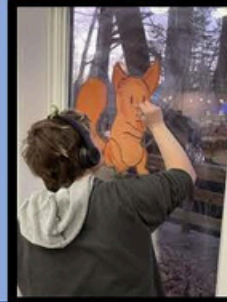


Simon Grill brought the flavor, gratitude and the fun last month! Thanks for making it a month to remember!



GILMORE WINDOW MAKEOVER

Gilmore Dining Hall got a new makeover! Thanks to these incredible students who brought their artistic talents to the project!



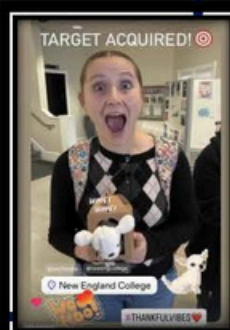
GINGERBREAD HOUSES



Sweet creations & festive vibes! Our Gingerbread house event brought out some amazing creativity & holiday cheer. Thanks to all who joined in the fun!

PUP HUNT

We hunted, we found, and we paid it forward! Shoutout to all who made our Pup hunt scavenger event a memorable part of our Thankful initiative!



THANKFUL AT NEC

Gathered in Gratitude: Sharing moments, meals and memories!

