



NCEP News

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Enhancing social, recreational and educational experiences
for children and youth in the town of Newmarket

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Newsletter Highlights

- Popov winners announced
- Jr./Sr. High is cooking!
- 16 Kids receive camp assistance
- New class to publish art and literature magazine

Oceanfront Gaming supports NCEP

A big thank you to **Oceanfront Gaming** for providing funding to NCEP. Charitable Gaming, which is heavily regulated by the Gaming Commission of N.H., helps many non-profits across the state with much needed funding. Try your hand at roulette, blackjack, craps and poker while eating great food from their restaurant and supporting local charities. Located at Hampton Beach, Oceanfront Gaming is open 7 days per week. For more information, visit their website at: www.oceangamingcasino.com.



2012 Nick Popov winners announced

Congratulations to Helen Hoffman and Linda Albright for winning the **Nicholas Popov Memorial Award!** The award, funded by the Popov family and facilitated by NCEP, is given to two teachers or staff members each year who demonstrate the spirit of personal generosity, kindness, and service that Popov, a longtime school volunteer, radiated through his actions. This year, each recipient received \$700, and will use the funds to enhance educational experiences for students at the Jr./Sr. High school.



Linda, a biology and anatomy & physiology teacher, plans to purchase two laptop computers that will be loaned to students so that they can finish their online learning tasks while at school, in case they don't have the resources at home. Linda believes using a laptop in the classroom makes students feel empowered. Helen, the special education collaborator, will use her funding to purchase an iPad for her students to use in the collaborative program. She will also purchase apps that will be appropriate for her students' learning methods.

Both Linda and Helen are very **grateful to the Popov family** who make this award possible.

Mules Mission receives \$500

NCEP is proud to offer additional support to the **Mules Mission** at the Jr./Sr. High School.



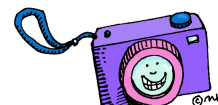
The organization, organized by Linda Albright and run with student help, provides food and supplies to those students

who otherwise go without these necessities. The funding will help keep the shelves stocked this year.

Smile for the Camera

NCEP has granted \$415 to the Elementary School preschool program for the purchase of a **camera and camcorder**.

Preschool teacher Anne Cocci requested the grant and her team will use the equipment for story re-enactments, video modeling and visual aids to further the program's educational goals.



Fueling Up

Cassandra Rodier, 4th grade elementary school teacher, requested a **\$490 grant** to provide healthy snacks for the **4th Grade Homework Club**. The Club meets after school, and often



kids arrive tired and hungry. Many kids don't have extra snacks available, or they simply forget to bring something in. Rodier's grant

will be used to purchase snacks for Club participants. Being able to provide nutritious snacks will keep the kids engaged and focused on their homework during this school year.

New LCD projector for the Math Department

The Jr./Sr. High School math department has been awarded a **\$563 grant for a new In-Focus LCD projector**. This will be a mobile projector that will be shared between teachers. The projector will allow teachers to share video, Power Point presentations and a variety of other presentations (both student- and teacher-generated). This grant will allow ease of transition from a more traditional presentation of material to a “21st century presentation” model. With the recent change to block scheduling, this addition will be extremely beneficial in facilitating quality instruction.



Counterclockwise heads in the right direction

Annette Blake, art instructor at the Jr./Sr. High School has been awarded a **\$750 grant to purchase technology** for her new class, “Counterclockwise.” The class will enable students to produce, via computer programs (such as Photoshop), a unique art and literacy publication that the school and community have never seen before. The colorful magazine will allow students to share their creations with a larger audience.



Thank you! My students in Counterclockwise were so excited when I told them (about the grant). This will really benefit my class and many others to come! I will keep you posted on the progress of our first publication!

- Annette Blake

Previously, this work was only displayed in the school’s hallways. Blake will act as teacher, artistic director and editor.

Summer of Fun at Camp Wanna Iguana

In 2010, the **LOVE Foundation** awarded NCEP a \$15,000 grant to be used to provide financial assistance for Newmarket children attending the Recreation Department’s Camp Wanna Iguana. Thanks to the foundation’s generosity, for the second summer in a row over **16 children were able to enjoy a summer of fun** and build memories that will last a lifetime. We look forward to providing camp support again for the summer of 2013 and are grateful to the LOVE Foundation for recognizing the importance of a summer camp experience for our town’s children and their families.



Got Water? Moody Point Supports NCEP

For the second year in a row, the **Moody Point Community Association** sponsored NCEP during April’s Great Bay Half Marathon. In addition to the \$300 donation (that Loco, the race organizer paid for the neighborhood’s water station), residents contributed over \$600 to NCEP. Thank you Moody Point for helping us all run!



Jr./Sr. High cooks!

Jr./Sr. High School students will have the opportunity to **cook and taste their creations**, thanks to a \$300 grant from NCEP. Led by Lisa



Kumph, wellness coordinator at the Jr./Sr. High School, and NCEP board member, the classes will be held monthly for students in

grades 6-12. The students will cook different recipes, and then have the opportunity to taste each recipe while discussing a hot topic in nutrition. For many students, this will be their first experience making their own food and learning about healthy ingredients. They will also learn how different foods affect the way they feel physically, mentally and emotionally.

Library renovations on track

This fall, the **children’s room** in the Newmarket Public Library will soon see a change due to a \$550 grant from NCEP and the expert eye of Beth Frede, owner of **Beth Frede Interiors** in Newmarket. With help and coordination from community volunteers, including Board Member Nicole Benson, the room will get new carpeting, new paint and a new design, that will make it more inviting for everyone to enjoy all the library has to offer.



Currently the children’s space is small and not efficient for children’s programming. Redesigning the space will make the library a more inviting place to visit and borrow books, which drives a demand for library services, ultimately achieving more funding for a broader collection of books.



Thank you!

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**Spring grant applications due:
February 15**