



Source: 6A Kitty Hawk Landing Ste 101
Londonderry, NH 03053
(603) 432-1120, ext 1115

Contact: Amity Small, Londonderry
School District Communications Chair
Date: 3/26/2026

PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



LHS Announces new Director of Lancer Academy & Shift to Three House Offices

After a year of long term planning for more career connected learning opportunities for LHS students, the District is excited to announce a change to Londonderry High School's House model—the shift from four to three house offices and the addition of Lancer Academy—a place where students can look for alternative ways to get credits—like CTE classes, Extended Learning Opportunities (ELOs), and the adult education program.

After a series of interviews and unanimous support from the School Board, LHS Alum and long-time Assistant Principal Katie Sullivan has been named the Director of Lancer Academy. She will shift into this new role July 1, 2026.

Sullivan is well-known for her support of students and her dedication to the Londonderry school system and community. Last fall, she collaborated with the Londonderry Fire Department to create the first ever Fire Department ELO that was very successful. She has been meeting with other community members and businesses to create more opportunities like this for students. Additionally, the District's Adult Education program (currently run by Assistant Principal Crystal Rich), will fall under the Lancer Academy umbrella starting this July. Rich will continue her role as Assistant Principal.

Sullivan, whose ties to Londonderry run deep, will miss her time as Assistant Principal of House Four, yet she is very excited for her new role. She shares, "It has been an honor and privilege being the AP in House 4 since 2006—I cannot thank the families and students I've worked with enough, and they will

forever be part of my Lancer family. But as one door closes, I am extremely excited to build a new tradition as the first-ever Director of Lancer Academy. The future is bright for creating different pathways for our Lancers to graduate, and I am super excited to Lead the Way for Lancer Nation!”

Superintendent Dan Black is pleased to see Sullivan in this new role commenting, “I am excited about the innovation happening at LHS with this move. Katie Sullivan is the right person to work with our students, families, and the larger Londonderry community to find more Career Connected Learning for our students. She did an excellent job with the ELO with our Fire Department this year, and I know even more great partnerships are coming with Lancer Academy under her leadership!”

Along with several other details, the LHS administrative team is currently working on the redistribution of students in the shift to a three House model. More news will be shared with LHS staff, students, and families as we prepare and details come together for the opening of the 2026-27 school year.