



# NEW HAMPSHIRE POLITICAL LIBRARY

at

## The Pierce Manse



Student Programs (4th-8th Grade)  
*2008-2009 Academic Year*

**New Hampshire's Political History:**  
*A Time-Tested Proving Ground*

**New Hampshire and the Presidency:**  
*The Life and Times of President Franklin Pierce*

*Preserving New Hampshire's Political Traditions*

[www.politicallibrary.org](http://www.politicallibrary.org)

# DID YOU KNOW?

*The state of New Hampshire declared independence from Great Britain six months before the nation's official Declaration of Independence.*

## **NEW HAMPSHIRE'S POLITICAL HISTORY**

### **ONSITE PROGRAMS**

Any visit to the Pierce Manse in Concord, NH is enhanced by glimpsing into the political history of the state in the New Hampshire Political Library Gallery. View a selection of the Library's collection of election campaign papers and memorabilia from over half a century of the state's political history. Exhibits rotate and onsite workshop activities are available for groups wishing to dedicate more of their visit to the history of politics in New Hampshire and the First-in-the-Nation Presidential primary while visiting President Pierce's historical home.

### **TRAVELING WORKSHOPS**

New Hampshire has always been home to active citizens and the First-in-the-Nation primary is an outgrowth of the state's collective sense of civic duty. The New Hampshire Presidential primary has become known as a time-tested proving ground from which credible candidates emerge and national campaigns take shape. Bring New Hampshire's political traditions into your classroom with our traveling workshops. Using campaign memorabilia, political cartoons and photographs, students will explore what makes New Hampshire's Presidential primary and political climate unique.

*This program directly addresses Civics expectations within the New Hampshire Social Studies Curriculum Framework.*

**New Hampshire's Political History:**  
*A Time-Tested Proving Ground*

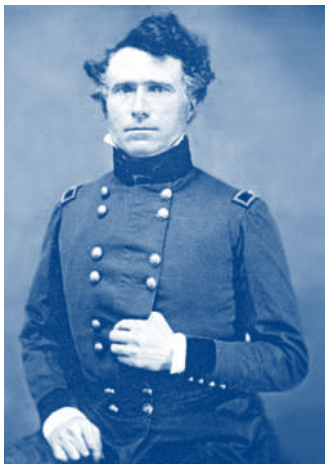
# DID YOU KNOW?

*While serving as the youngest Speaker of the NH House of Representatives, Pierce led the debate that ultimately created the Democratic National Convention.*

## NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE PRESIDENCY

### **PRESIDENT FRANKLIN PIERCE**

Through an interactive exhibit and a tour of his home, learn about Franklin Pierce, the 14th President of the United States and the only New Hampshire resident to be elected to the White House. Learn about his military service, his involvement in state and national politics, and his Presidential accomplishments.



*President Franklin Pierce*

### **PIERCE MANSE**

Take a step back in time with a visit to the historic home of New Hampshire's only President, Franklin Pierce and his family. The Pierce family occupied this 19th century Greek Revival home from 1842-1848. Through exhibits, hands on objects, visual clues and guided tours of the historic home, students will learn about the domestic life of this pre-Civil War American family.

### **OLD NORTH CEMETERY**

Extend your visit to the Manse with a walking tour of Concord's first cemetery, the Old North Cemetery, and the final resting place of President Pierce, his wife and two sons.

*These programs directly address US/ NH History expectations within the New Hampshire Social Studies Curriculum Framework.*

New Hampshire and the Presidency:  
*The Life and Times of President Franklin Pierce*

# DID YOU KNOW?

*Political Library Programs can be tailored to fit your curriculum and your learning objectives.*

## **SCHEDULE A VISIT OR TRAVELING WORKSHOP**

The Pierce Manse and Political Gallery are open to school groups by appointment year round. Visits must be scheduled a minimum of two weeks in advance. When possible, we will gladly coordinate your school visit to accommodate other museum stops in Concord. Traveling workshops must be booked a minimum of four weeks in advance.

### **To schedule your visit or to book a traveling workshop, contact:**

Caroline Amport, *Director of Programs*  
(603) 225-4617 x10  
camport@politicallibrary.org

## **COST**

### *Tours of Pierce Manse & Political Gallery*

Students: \$3 each

One adult chaperone per 10 children admitted at no charge.

Additional adult: \$5 each

### *Traveling Workshops*

\$65 per class (limit 30 students)

\$55 for each additional same-day workshop

## **PREPARING FOR YOUR VISIT**

Please visit our website for more details and important information related to your visit to the Pierce Manse and Political Gallery. ([www.politicallibrary.org](http://www.politicallibrary.org))

## **Support the New Hampshire Political Library**

### **FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

Please consider supporting our mission with a tax-deductible donation. Donations can be made by mail or online at our website.

### **VOLUNTEER**

Consider becoming a member of the Pierce Brigade, the volunteer corps that supports the Pierce Manse. Yearly memberships include free admission to the Manse and member programs, monthly newsletters and a chance to share with visitors the life and times of President Franklin Pierce.

For more information on how to donate or become a member, please contact the New Hampshire Political Library at (603) 225-4617.

*Preserving New Hampshire's Political Traditions*

[www.politicallibrary.org](http://www.politicallibrary.org)

# A NATIONAL TRADITION



## NEW HAMPSHIRE POLITICAL LIBRARY

### ABOUT THE NEW HAMPSHIRE POLITICAL LIBRARY AT THE PIERCE MANSE

The New Hampshire Political Library is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to increasing civic engagement in the democratic process by promoting and preserving our unique political tradition and ensuring these traditions are passed on to future generations.

The Political Library operates the historic Pierce Manse and offers educational programs and tours for students and the public; administers *Kids Voting New Hampshire* programs in communities across the Granite State; maintains the only comprehensive collection of election campaign papers and memorabilia from over half a century of New Hampshire Political history; and provides forums for potential candidates to meet voters and community leaders.

14 Horseshoe Pond Lane, Concord, NH 03301  
PO Box 2512, Concord, NH 03302  
(603) 225-4617 • (603) 225-0540 fax

*Preserving New Hampshire's Political Traditions*

[www.politicallibrary.org](http://www.politicallibrary.org)





