

AGENDA

October 30, 2018 * 8:30 AM to 2:15 PM * Augusta Civic Center

8:30 AM	Registration & Coffee – Augusta Room	
9:00 AM	Welcome • Wendy L. Ault, <i>MELMAC Executive Director</i>	
9:10 AM	Opening Remarks • Dana Connors, <i>President & CEO, Maine State Chamber of Commerce</i>	
9:30 AM	Review of Reporting Expectations • Lucas Caron, <i>MELMAC</i>	
SESSION ONE 9:45 AM-10:30 AM	<i>Augusta Room</i>	<p>Panel: Highlights of Interesting Postsecondary Education Opportunities for Students</p> <p>Back by popular demand! Come learn about apprenticeships, certificate programs, and credential programs across Maine.</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i> Dan Coffey, <i>Cianbro Institute Manager, Cianbro Corporation</i> Nicholas Davis, <i>Technical Sergeant, United States Air Force</i> Joan M. Dolan, <i>Director of Apprenticeship & Strategic Partnerships, Maine Department of Labor</i> Carrie Enos, <i>President, The UMaine Pulp and Paper Foundation</i> Jessica Lamarre, <i>Program Manager, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Apprenticeship Program</i> Ben Lothrop, <i>Human Resources Manager, Daaquam Lumber Maine</i> Matt Marks, <i>CEO, Associated General Contractors of Maine</i></p> <p><i>Facilitator:</i> Nancy Martin, CWC, <i>MELMAC Coach</i></p>

<p>SESSION ONE 9:45 AM-10:30 AM</p>	<p><i>Washington Room</i></p>	<p>Connecting Students and Businesses in Rural Communities</p> <p>Getting students out to explore career opportunities can be tough. During this session, we will share examples of how we have been able to help our students tour and job shadow at businesses in rural Maine. We will present a few different ways we found to maximize partnership in our schools and community and gain ideas of locations to visit. The session will also provide time for participants to assess the resources in their schools and community to implement similar programs at their school.</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i> Jacquie Martin, <i>School Counselor, Fort Fairfield Middle/High School</i> Cathy Sevigny, <i>School Counselor, Fort Kent Community School</i></p>
	<p><i>Sagadahoc Room</i></p>	<p>K-12 Collaboration</p> <p>Learn how the Gotham School District collaborates k-12 to encourage the career and college aspirations of all students. High school students work with elementary students to share their future story goals including 4 year college, working in the trades, military etc. Through this conversation elementary students become interested in exploring their own future story and excited to take advantage of all the opportunities high school offers.</p> <p><i>Presenter:</i> Betsy Anastasoff, <i>School Counselor, Gorham High School</i></p>
<p>SESSION TWO 10:45 AM-11:30 AM</p>	<p><i>Augusta Room</i></p>	<p>Panel: Highlights of Interesting Postsecondary Education Opportunities for Students</p> <p>Back by popular demand! Come learn about apprenticeships, certificate programs, and credential programs across Maine.</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i> Tracey Cooley, PhD, <i>Center Director, Maine Job Corps Program</i> Jennifer McKenna, <i>Training Director, Plumbers, HVACR, and Pipefitters Apprenticeship</i> Zachary Parker, <i>SSG, U.S. Army</i> Mercedes Pour, <i>Director of College Access, Maine Community College System</i> James C. Sandford, <i>SSG, Maine Army National Guard</i> Alan Shepard, <i>Training Director, IBEW 567</i> Marion Sprague, <i>Outreach Communications Director, The Manufacturers Association of Maine</i></p> <p><i>Facilitator:</i> Nancy Martin, <i>CWC, MELMAC Coach</i></p>

SESSION TWO 10:45 AM-11:30 AM	Washington Room	<p>EverFi in the CTE Classroom</p> <p>A demonstration of how the EverFi Financial Literacy program is used with ALL Region Two seniors, as well as how the optional EverFi products (such as Alcohol EDU and Prescription Drug Safety) are used with Region Two Law Enforcement and CNA students. This session will also offer a glimpse into how we can address the needs of middle school students interested in a CTE pathway with EverFi's Endeavor STEM Career Exploration program.</p> <p><i>Presenter: Bo Zabierek, EverFi Certified FinEd Teacher, Region Two School of Applied Technology</i></p>
	Sagadahoc Room	<p>Addressing Cognitive Overload on Teachers Effectively and Simply</p> <p>Cognitive overload is stealing our time to teach. Student achievement is being compromised by seemingly minute disruptions in the classroom that reduce cognitive capacity in both teachers and students. This session highlights peer-reviewed, practical strategies designed to lower cognitive overload for teachers and students directly affecting student achievement.</p> <p><i>Presenter: Andrea Logan M.Ed., Maine Association for Middle Level Education</i></p>
	Piscataquis Room	<p>Supporting Students Interested in Technology Pathways</p> <p>This session will provide a variety of best practices and resources to support students interested in technology careers. Participants will learn about post-secondary options in Maine, discuss the differences between majors, and hear more about growing tech opportunities in our state. In addition, the session will focus on TechHire Maine, which is a program that can help pay for a variety of short-term tech training programs and help students attain work experiences, internships, and direct employment.</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i> Katherine Johnston, <i>Program Coordinator, Project>Login, Educate Maine</i> Ryan Anderson, <i>Program Manager, Workforce Solutions, Goodwill Northern New England</i></p>
11:30 AM	Lunch – Western/Arnold/Howard Room (1st Floor, North Wing)	

<p>SESSION THREE</p> <p>12:30 PM- 1:15 PM</p>	<p><i>Augusta Room</i></p>	<p>Panel: Proficiency Based Diplomas and Student Pathways at Monmouth Academy</p> <p>This session will describe the graduation requirements for RSU 2 and the current system where credits are not counted but a diploma is based on meeting specific learning experiences. Once students are on the road to meeting these requirements they begin to develop their own pathways related to future plans they have for after high school. Monmouth Academy Principal, the College and Career Coordinator, along with a panel of students will discuss different options for pathways students have at MA including internships, AP/Dual Enrollment Courses, School to Work, CATC, etc.</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i> Rick Amero, <i>Principal, Monmouth Academy</i> Sarah Knowlton, <i>College and Career Coordinator, Monmouth Academy</i></p> <p><i>Students:</i> <i>Coming Soon!</i></p> <p><i>Facilitator:</i> Kim Gore, <i>MELMAC Coach</i></p>
	<p><i>Washington Room</i></p>	<p>Soft Skills and the World of Work</p> <p>A discussion about the "soft skills" necessary for today's students entering the workforce, and how education and certifications can open up many more doors for prospective employees, even in a lumber production facility. Ben will also discuss his concerns for northern Maine's workforce, as many of his current employees are nearing retirement.</p> <p>Before entering the field of HR, Ben was a school principal in Maine for 10 years. He has unique prospective on how educators can help to improve Maine's workforce for years to come.</p> <p><i>Presenter:</i> Ben Lothrop, <i>Human Resources Manager, Daaquam Lumber, Masardis Maine</i></p>
	<p><i>Sagadahoc Room</i></p>	<p>Early College Classes- It's Not Rocket Science!</p> <p>Join this session to learn how Somerset Career and Technical Center, working closely with Kennebec Valley Community College, used the bridge year to successfully create a unique early college program.</p> <p><i>Presenters:</i> David Dorr, <i>Director, Somerset Career and Technical Center</i> Ann Thiboutot, <i>Student Success Coordinator, Somerset Career and Technical Center</i> Carrie Dionne, <i>Enrollment Student Navigator, KVCC</i></p>

SESSION FOUR 1:30 PM- 2:15 PM	<i>Augusta Room</i>	<p>Pathway Mapping: Facilitated Brainstorming</p> <p>A session designed to share promising and emerging school-based practices and products that support students in exploring, drafting, and implementing plans for career, college, and credentialing. Come prepared to share your own pathway mapping strategies and learn from your peers.</p> <p><i>Facilitator: David Galin, JMG, MELMAC Coach</i></p>
	<i>Washington Room</i>	<p>Selecting an Affordable School: Information to Help Families and Students Make Informed Financial Decisions</p> <p>While there is more to college selection than affordability, too often it seems students are deciding to attend schools that make little sense financially. The end result is that many end up borrowing more than they should or having to transfer to a more affordable college. In this presentation we will discuss important concepts such as Net Price and ROI, and share tools that can help students and families have increased choices and be better prepared to make informed decisions.</p> <p><i>Presenter: Mila Tappan, College Access and Outreach Manager, Finance Authority of Maine (FAME)</i></p>
	<i>Sagadahoc Room</i>	<p>Math Pathways are Coming to Maine</p> <p>As we work to get more Maine students to enroll in college, colleges are working to ensure more students graduate. One proven student success tactic is coming to Maine’s Community Colleges. High school partners may be interested in learning how this change will impact students. A “math pathway” approach to a college degree means that the required courses will align with the industry needs of each program and that all students will be able to complete their gateway course in the first year of college. Students need to feel that the math they take is relevant, meaningful, and necessary for their future career – and this approach achieves that. This session will share an overview of the work being done in Maine with school leaders so that they can guide their own students appropriately.</p> <p><i>Presenter: Mercedes Pour, Director of College Access, Maine Community College System</i></p>
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