



Presented by: The Chinese Language and Culture Center of Maine and Bangor Chinese School
In collaboration with: The Maine Department of Education, the University of Maine and the City of Bangor

Conference Schedule

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023

Husson University, Dyke Center for Family Business, 1 College Circle, Bangor, Maine

8:30 *Registration, Refreshments, and Display Set-up*

Opening Ceremony

9:00 *National Anthems, Welcome & Conference Dedication:* **Jing Zhang**, Director of CLCCM and BCS; *In Memory of Dr. Kenny and Dr. Pelletier:* **Gerry Palmer**, Former Mayor, City of Bangor; **About CLCCM and BCS:** **Mel MacKay**, General Consultant to CLCCM and BCS.

9:10 *Keynote Speaker: Mencius and the Arts of Peace*
Kevin Mathewson, writer, teacher, translator and interpreter

9:30 *Perspectives on Educational Cooperation Between the US and China*
Yougen Yu, Vice General Counsel and Educational Counsellor, Chinese Consulate General, New York

9:40 *Panel Discussion: Building Global Relationships with a Sense of Belonging*
Clay Gleason, Superintendent, Bonny Eagle School District, Buxton, Maine
James Tager, Superintendent, Bangor School Department, Bangor, Maine
Jim Hand, Principal, Bonny Eagle School District, Buxton, Maine
Frad Ravan, Vice President, EMME/FLAME

Moderator: **Mei Tian**, Volunteer Chinese Teacher, Bangor Chinese School/CI, Bangor, Maine

10:15 *Ribbon-Cutting for BCS Bilingual Program for Young Children*
Renaë Muscatell: Head of Advisor Team of BCS and CLCCM

Brainstorm: Should the Luner New Year be a regular public holiday in Maine?

10:25 *Performances by teachers and students; Chinese Student of the Year Award*

10:35 *Group Photo and Break*

Morning Session

10:55 *Embracing Real-World Experiences: Authentic Learning in the Chinese Classroom*
Yan Wang, Chinese teacher, Fayette County Public Schools, Lexington, Kentucky

12:00 *Lunch, Recognitions, Announcements and Summer Program Review*

Afternoon Session

- 12:45 1. *How To Design and Deliver a Unit That Engages Students and Provides Robust Amounts of Comprehensible Input*
2. *How to Take Highly Compelling Culture Topics and Compare Products, Practices and Perspectives of the L2 Culture with Those of the US*
Skip Crosby, World Language Teacher, Poland Regional High School, Portland, Maine
- 1:45 *Demonstration: Brain-Break Dancing with Dandan Yang*
- 3:00 *Adding Chinese Food Culture into Classroom Language Teaching*
Lily Crane, Chinese Teacher, Bangor High School, Bangor, Maine
- 3:45 *From Acquiring English More Attainable with ELL Zone to Chinese Language Learning*
Nathaniel Berger, ESL Teacher at Bangor Adult Education and Literature Instructor, the University of Maine at Augusta
- 4:30 *Wrap-Up: Conference Committee*

Note: Special This Year

- 11:00-12:00 *Chinese Culture Demonstration for Student Participants and Interested Others*
Jennifer DeCristoforo, Writer and Artist

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Exhibition of Students' Work

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