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## Conference Schedule

Elks Lodge, 108 Odlin Rd, Bangor, Maine

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

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

**9:00** *Welcome and Introductions*

**Jing Zhang**, Director of Maine Lang. and Cult. Center and President of Bangor Chinese School

**Gretchen Schaefer**, Councilor, City of Bangor

**James Kenny**, Chair, Board of Directors, Chinese Language and Culture Center of Maine

**9:15** *Cultural Performances: Chinese Talk Show, Singing, Calligraphy...*

#### **Keynote Addresses:**

**9:30** *Culturally Responsive Schools in a Time of Conflict*

**Moderator: Mel MacKay**, Head of School, John Bapst Memorial High School

**Special Guest: James Settele**, Director, School of Policy and International Affairs, UMaine-Orono

**10:05** *Refresh K-12 Chinese Program*

**Paul Penna**, Superintendent, Bonny Eagle School District, Maine

**Ben Harris**, Principal; **Haiyan Jin**, Chinese Teacher, Bonny Eagle Middle School

**Kimberly O'Donnell**, Principal; **Jiayin Dai**, Chinese Teacher, Buxton Center Elementary School

**10:20: My Chinese Language Journey**

**Seth Rutter**, Student, University Rhode Island

**10:35** *Break with group picture taken*

**11:00** **Brain Breaks**

**Lavinia Rogers**, World Languages Specialist, Maine Department of Education

Brain breaks are a short mental break, usually lasting less than 5 minutes, to help students refocus and get ready to learn. Participants will share and experience several brain breaks that can be used in the world language classroom.

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

**1:00** **Strategies for Maintaining the Target Language in the Classroom**

**Lavinia Rogers**, World Languages Specialist, Maine Department of Education

**Skip Crosby**, Spanish Teacher, RSU 16

Staying in the target language can be challenging. In this session, participants will learn several Comprehensible Input techniques to maintain the target language and experience mini-lessons as a student.

**2:30** *Break*

**2:45** **Strategies for Maintaining the Target Language in the Classroom** (continue)

**4:00** **Wrap-up of the Day**

**Elizabeth Chabe**, Chair, CLCCM; **James Kenny**, Former Chair, CLCCM;

**Gerry Palmer**, Former Mayor, City of Bangor; **Ray Pelletier**, Board Director, CLCCM

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26**

**8:30** Refreshments

**9:00** **Food Therapy: Kitchen Is Our Best Hospital**

**Tina Zhang**, Pharmacist, New York City

**Zhiwei Liu**, Chair, Chinese Students Association, University of Maine

**9:45** **Tea Culture Show with Tea Tasting**

**Ray Pelletier**, Vice Chair of the Chinese Language and Culture Center of Maine

**Lusheng Li**, Food Artist, Bucksport, Maine

**10:30** **Cooking and Tasting Chinese Food: Sichuan Food**

**Lusheng Li**, Food Artist, Bucksport, Maine

**12:00** Lunch Time

**Program Wrap-up and Follow-up**

James Kenny, Jing Zhang, Elizabeth Chabe, and Ray Pelletier

**Performers:**

**Students** of Washington Academy, Maine Central Institute, the University of Maine and Bangor Chinese School

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