Updates and Initiatives in Maine CTE

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What’s New in Maine CTE?

- Changes to proficiency-based education in Maine
- Expanding CTE to include middle school students
- New CTE opportunities for Maine students
- Recent and potential work with CTECS

Maine Trivia #1: Which national park, one of the nation’s most visited with over 2 million visitors annually, is located in Maine and was established in 1916?
Multiple Pathways to Diploma through Proficiency-Based Education (Chapter 134)

• CTE Diploma Pathway:
  – Student must enroll in and satisfactorily complete state-approved CTE program of study and attain one of the following:
    • Meet 3rd-party verified national or state industry standards; or
    • Earn 6 credits in a dual enrollment CTE program in accordance with 20-A MRS Chapter 229 (early college/Bridge Year)
  – Achieve certification of proficiency in content areas and guiding principles pursuant to phase-in of requirements in 20-A MRS §4722-A (3)(B-2)

Maine Trivia #1: Acadia National Park
Multiple Pathways to Diploma through Proficiency-Based Education (Chapter 134)

• Additional Pathways:
  - Students who satisfactorily complete freshman year in an accredited institution of higher education are eligible for a diploma
  - CTE Sources for Evidence of Content Area and Guiding Principles Proficiency:
    - Intersections process between CTE teachers and content area teachers
    - Direct instruction in the content areas at the CTE school
    - Articulation and dual-enrollment agreements

Maine Trivia #2: Which Maine town was America’s first chartered city in 1641, first known as “Gorgeana”?
Implementing CTE in the Middle School Level

• Public Law 171, “An Act To Enable Earlier Introduction of Career and Technical Education in Maine Schools” requires that students in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades have access to CTE

Maine Trivia #2: York, Maine
Implementing CTE in the Middle School Level

• Our charge has been to develop rules and a framework that is:
  – Developmentally-appropriate
  – Hands-on and interactive
  – Flexible

• Our research has pulled from career development, what other states are doing, and expertise within the Maine DOE

Maine Trivia #3: Freeport, Maine is home to which well-known outdoor retailer, the first to be open 24/7/365?
New (and Changing) CTE Opportunities for Maine Students

- Cosmetology
- Biotechnology & Biomedical Science
- Outdoor Leadership
- Multimedia & Digital Arts Strands

Maine Trivia #3: L.L. Bean
Maine and CTECS

- Video Production Technology - revalidation, pilot, cut score development
- Multimedia/Digital Arts Strands – potential TSA development
- Middle School and Cosmetology – potential standards and TSA work

Maine Trivia #4: Which internationally-known and prolific author makes Bangor, Maine his home?
Questions or comments?

That’s all Folks!

Maine Trivia #4: Stephen King
Thank you!

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