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**What are ELOs?**

**Who is in this space?**

**CTE and ELOs?**

**Where are we going?**

# ELECTRIC LIGHT ORCHESTRA

On The Third Day



**Clarifying what is meant by ELO...**

## **ELO Definition;**

Hands-on, credit-bearing experiences outside of the traditional classroom including community-based career exploration.

Extended learning means the acquisition of knowledge and skills, using defined objectives, through flexible instruction or study outside of the traditional classroom methodology, including, but not limited to:

Internship • Job Shadow • Mentorship • Apprenticeship • Digital Learning • Independent Study • Community Service • Work Based Learning.

[\*\*BHS ELO Video\*\*](#)

## What Does AN ELO Coordinator Do?

[Brunswick High Job Description](#)

[Lebanon NH Job Description](#)



### What a coordinator complements;

- Virtually all programs and all curriculums
- CTE programs / Pre-Apprenticeship programs (and non-CTE students)
- Transition teams and IEPs
- JMG specialists
- Business community groups and workforce initiatives
- Community colleges (credentialing) / Private Colleges / University of Maine

# Quick History



**Community Coordinators Collaborative**  
*Connecting Schools & Community*



# Maine C3



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<https://www.mevirtualcareerfair.org/>

NEW HAMPSHIRE ELO NETWORK [NH ELON](#)

NEW HAMPSHIRE ELO RESOURCES [Beyond Classroom](#)

## **CTE and ELO's**

By nature CTE's and ELO's have synergy  
(CNA / Automotive) In place and with curriculum looking maybe for  
placements in an authentic environment.

Capacity - Placements / Supervision / Recruitment

Not everyone wants to enroll in CTE programs

15-25%

Emerging Models = Wald Tech and Belfast HS / RSU #13 and MCST



# IMPLEMENTATION OF CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAMMING



## The Maine Jobs & Recovery Plan

Investing in Maine's Families, Businesses,  
Communities and Future

MAY 4, 2021





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## Quick Hits:

- 26 Award letters were sent 6/8/2022 to Maine SAU's and CBO's totaling \$5,659,458
- 26 locations throughout Maine covering 13 counties – Sagadahoc, Lincoln, Cumberland, York, Hancock, Waldo, Aroostook, Washington, Knox, Penobscot, Oxford, Somerset, Kennebec
- ELO regional collaborations were created in Southern Maine / Mid Coastal Maine / and Northern Maine in hopes of creating new school and community workforce connections and regional collaborations.
- Community Based Organizations were strengthened throughout Maine covering northern, downeast, central, and western Maine areas = ACAP / Boys and Girls Club KV / Healthy Acadia / Oxford Hills Community Education Exchange.



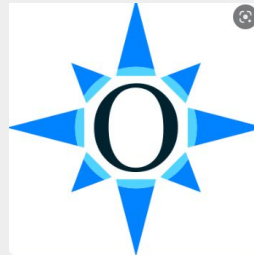
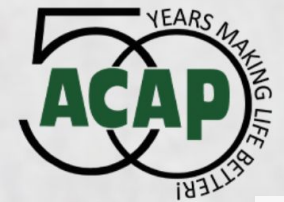
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OF KENNEBEC VALLEY



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WHO WE ARE



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Building vibrant communities for over 20 years



# Southern Mid Coast Maine Model



# BRIEF OVERVIEW OF CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAMMING

## Funding broken into three buckets:

### **Expanded Extended Learning Opportunity Grants:**

Grants awarded to 26 entities (23 School Administrative Units and 3 Community Based Organizations) to expand the number of high-quality ELOs offered across the state. These grants focused specifically on connecting juniors and seniors to meaningful paid work experiences through ELO programming. This funding will dramatically expand the network of ELO professionals across the state, creating hundreds of new workforce partnerships and helping thousands of students to build meaningful connections with employers.

### **Children's Cabinet Career Exploration Pilot Project:**

Grants awarded to 5 Community Based Organizations focused on job readiness, career exploration programming and participation in meaningful paid work experiences.

Programming to target historically disadvantaged youth. Much of the funding for these grants will pay for supportive services to overcome barriers to work and wages for young people to participate in meaningful paid work experience.

# BRIEF OVERVIEW OF CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAMMING

- **JMG:**

- Building out programming in the 90 high schools where they already have JMG specialists. Programming will include **career exploration, paid work experience and a badge for all participating students**. Have already started with some of their schools to connect students to paid work this summer!
- Hired 4 **ELO coaches** (North, Central, South, & Lead) and 3 **workforce liaisons** (North, Central, & South) to ensure all participating high schools can successfully engage students and employers this fall. Breaking schools, existing and new, into regions for support.
- Building out **Learning Management System** to support JMG Specialists and ELO coordinators across the state with assessments, curriculum, programming, and badging.



# Maine ELO Conference

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*Schedule & Program Guide*

August 15-17, 2022

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