

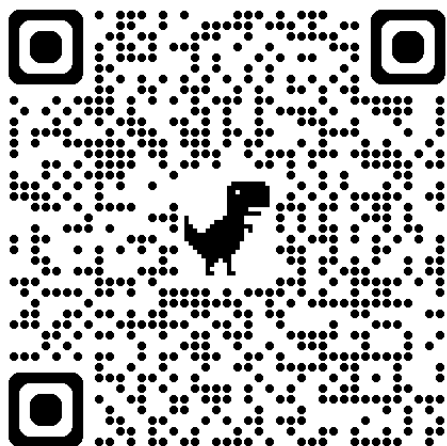
## Speed Networking with Peers and Pros

May 9, 2025 \* 2:15 – 3:00pm \* Acadia Room (scattered around)

In this session you will have the chance to connect with several of your financial education peers and/or pros. You will have **7 minutes** to visit, there will be announcement to switch, you then move to another speaker, and so on until the end of the session.

During these brief connections, your peer or pro might have something prepared, it might be Q & A time, sharing time, impromptu conversations, etc.

Read the descriptions below (or use QR code) and plan your hour.



**Alysa Grindlinger, Financial Fraud Analyst with DAVO by Avalara** and former personal finance student of Maine Jump\$tart's Steve Kautz: Come and chat with Alysa about the importance of teaching safe electronic banking practices, good cyber hygiene, and how to identify fraud threats in the increasingly digital world. And...maybe she'll be willing to chat about the value of personal finance for high school students. LOCATION: 1

**Tim Ranzetta, Co-Founder at NextGen Personal Finance:** We can never have enough time with Tim, so take the chance to hang out a little more and discuss/share all things related to personal finance education, your classroom experiences, and of course, happenings related to NextGen Personal Finance. LOCATION: 2

**Mila Tappan, Manager of College Access and Outreach at FAME:** Understanding the world of financial aid and how to pay for higher education can be confusing and overwhelming. Good news! Mila and the team at FAME can help. Join Mila to ask your most pressing questions and learn the key pieces of information to share with your students and families. Mila will provide information on the resources that are available to support you and your students throughout the year. LOCATION: 3

**Karin Parsons, College Savings Counselor at FAME:** Planning for the Future? Let's Talk Education Savings! Want to help your loved ones pursue higher education? Stop by for a quick and friendly chat about Maine's 529 College Savings Plan and the Alford Grant. We'll explain how they work, how they differ, and what additional benefits may be available to Maine families. It's never too early to start saving. Bring your questions — we've got answers! LOCATION: 4

**Steve Withers, Math and Personal Finance Teacher at Waynflete School,** Maine Jump\$tart 2024 Educator of the Year: Steve is a veteran personal finance teacher and a veteran of Jump\$tart conferences. Stop by and chat with Steve about his go-to strategies and lesson plans for connecting with students about their financial futures. LOCATION: 5

**Susan Lamoreau, Instructor, Academy of Business Program at Sanford Regional Technical Center** and 2024 Maine Jump\$tart Financial Educator of the Year: For the past few years, Susan has had good intentions of getting her students into the elementary classrooms. Well, we all know what happens with good intentions . . . But she's a perfectionist, it has to be perfect if it is going to be done. No, wait a minute . . . no, it does not!!! Come meet with her as she will enlighten you on how easy it is to make it happen and how engaging it is for both your students and their younger counterparts. LOCATION: 6

**Shannon L. Gorman, Director of Education & Conferences at the Maine Insurance Agents Association:** Join Shannon for Happy Hour...ahhh...afternoon chat about Risk Management...aka Insurance! Insurance is FUN! Insurance is PEACE OF MIND! Your Insurance Agent is a TRUSTED ADVISOR! Insurance careers are available in every community in Maine. Did you know we offer stability, competitive wages, entrepreneurship, continued education, community involvement and amazing opportunities for High School/College kids in Maine. Join Shannon to learn more about how we can all support young adults in their journey to being better educated insurance consumers & what possibilities await if they choose a career in insurance. LOCATION: 7

**Natalie Hollingshead, Curriculum Writer at Banzai:** Natalie is ready to chat about everyone's favorite f-word—finance! Personal finance, specifically, for grades 3-12. Come with your questions about Banzai's gamified education platform, or swap ideas for making financial literacy fun and engaging for Gen Z's digital natives. LOCATION: 8

