



January 2024

Dear MYL Ambassador,

Congratulations on being chosen to represent your school at Maine Youth Leadership's 41st Annual Motivate ME 4-Day Seminar. In this letter you will find the web address to print out the necessary informational and registration materials required for your attendance to this outstanding event Thursday, May 30th through Sunday, June 2nd. Please read through the materials carefully, complete and return all forms no later than April 20th .

The Motivate ME weekend will be a terrific opportunity for you to learn and interact with more than 100 sophomores from all parts of Maine. The seminar will be held at the University of Southern Maine - Gorham campus. USM will be in summer session at this time which means the campus will be relatively quiet during our event. Excluding transportation to and from the site, all of your meals and expenses are already paid for by sponsor(s).

During the weekend, you will enjoy a unique learning experience designed to raise questions and present different points of view on a variety of topics. The seminar is organized in a workshop environment and your enjoyment will correlate directly with your level of participation in the activities - come prepared to interact! We have a lot of terrific speakers and group activities planned, including a dance, talent show, and other team building exercises.

Our accommodations on campus will be in a full service dormitory with meals taken in an adjacent dining hall. If you have special meal requirements (lactose intolerant, vegetarian, etc., please indicate your needs on the registration health form. Linens will not be provided, so bring bed sheets and a blanket or sleeping bag, and a pillow case. You will also need a face cloth, bath towel and toiletries for the weekend. If you have one, an alarm clock will come in handy to keep you on schedule for our busy weekend and a fan if it is hot. You will share a room with one to three other ambassadors for the weekend.

Please go to www.maine youth leadership.org

On this website you'll find registration materials and program details. Please ensure that you thoroughly review and complete all of the forms with your parent(s) or guardian (and read **all** the resource materials). We will need them returned (10 Pages) no later than April 20th, 2024. To: Jim Cox, 14 Trudy Circle, Old Orchard Beach, ME 04064 Or e-mail to mylmaine@gmail.com These can be sent double sided. Contact me if you need paper copies mailed.

You will be hearing from your assigned group facilitator in the week before the seminar to answer any questions you might have. If for any reason you are unable to attend the seminar, contact Jim Cox at 207- 221-3196 or E-Mail at mylmaine@gmail.com, immediately so an alternate from your school can attend. Should you have an emergency while en route to the seminar, you can call 207-221-3196. We look forward to greeting you at the Seminar - we're delighted to have you join us.

Best regards,

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