

# Statewide Spring 2023 Calendar

\* indicates extended meeting times



## The Youth Leadership Advisory Team

YLAT is a youth & adult partnership committed to improving the short-term experiences and long-term outcomes for youth who are currently in foster care or have been in care.

### Get connected!

With youth, former youth, and adult partners who want to improve the child welfare system.

### Be heard!

We know you've heard it before...but we get asked for input all the time. Your voice is valuable!

### Have fun!

Have good food, great friends, and amazing conversations.

### Make a difference!

Your story about your experiences in foster care could impact other youth in care.

### Challenge yourself and others!

YLAT challenges us all to keep learning about what it means to grow up in foster care ... and about how we all can contribute to the solutions.

**\*\*Please note** due to on-going monitoring of COVID-19 and Maine CDC protocols, YLAT meeting dates, times and locations are subject to change\*\*

**Visit [www.ylat.org](http://www.ylat.org) or [www.facebook.com/MaineYLAT](https://www.facebook.com/MaineYLAT) for updates or changes to the calendar throughout the year!**

**Aroostook**  
**(3rd Thursday, 3:00-5:00 pm)**  
Friday -March 17\* • April 27 • May 18

Meetings are @ Sargent Community Center  
24 Chapman Rd, **Presque Isle**

**Bangor**  
**(2nd Wednesday, 3:30-5:30 pm)**  
March 8 • April 12 • May 10 •

Meetings are @ UMA Bangor, Eastport Hall, Room 124  
128 Texas Ave, **Bangor**

**Lewiston**  
**(1st Thursday 3:45-5:45 pm)**  
March 9th • April 6 • May 4

Meetings are @ DHHS Lewiston Office  
200 Main Street, **Lewiston**  
**\*\*March meeting** will be at -Pineland Farms  
**15 Farm View Dr NewGlouster, ME**

**Statewide Virtual Meeting**  
**(4th Wednesday 3:30-5:00 pm)**  
January 25th • February 22

Meetings are virtual for January & February. Sign up with your Youth Transition Specialist or YLAT Faciliator to receive the Zoom link!

**MidCoast**  
**(2nd Thursday, 3:00-5:00 pm)**  
March 9 • April 13 • May 11 •

Meetings are @ Pope Memorial Humane Society  
25 Buttermilk Lane, Thomaston

**Southern Maine**  
**(2nd Wednesday, 3:45-5:45 pm)**  
March 8 • April 12 • May 10 •

Meetings are @ USM Bailey Hall 37  
College Ave, **Gorham**

**Central Maine**  
**(2nd Thursday, 3:30-5:30 pm)**  
March 9 • April 13 • May 11 •

Meetings are @  
Camp Tracy,  
302 McGrath Rd **Oakland**

## Statewide Contact Information

**Your Voice Matters!**



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Keep your eye on the  
YLAT website: [www.YLAT.org](http://www.YLAT.org)  
for meetings, statewide events,  
upcoming trainings, panel  
presentations, exciting  
leadership opportunities,  
and more!

**Please Join Us!**

If you are 14 or older and...

(choose any that apply):

- Currently in foster care
  - Aged out of foster care
  - Reunified with your family
  - Adopted out of foster care
  - Living in a kinship placement
- OR-

If you are an adult who is committed to partnering with youth while sharing your resources and experiences to support youth leadership

**You are invited!**

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