

Governor's Commission on School Construction  
Meeting Agenda  
**December 20, 2024, 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.**  
Burton Cross Office Building Room 103, Augusta, Maine

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Key Topics

1. The view from other states—comparisons, trends, and promising initiatives
2. Upcoming Commission activities

Desired Outcomes

Increased knowledge of current and emerging practices in other states related to the funding and financing of school construction and renovation.

Presenters

Chris Duncombe, Principal, Education Commission of the States (ECS)  
*ECS is a nonprofit, nationwide interstate compact formed in 1965 to help governors, state legislators, state education officials, and others develop policies to improve the quality of education at all levels.*

Mary Filardo, Executive Director, 21<sup>st</sup> Century School Fund (CSF)  
*Among other initiatives, the nonprofit 21CSF raises awareness about critical school facilities issues and communicates best practices and guidelines for healthy, safe school environments.*

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Agenda

*(Times are approximate.)*

- 1:00 Welcome and Introductions  
Update on Commission activities  
*Valerie Landry, Chair*
- 1:15 Chris Duncombe, Education Commission of the States  
*Introduced by Laura Cyr, Legislative Specialist, Maine DOE*
- 1:40 Q & A
- 2:00 Break
- 2:10 Mary Filardo, Executive Director, 21<sup>st</sup> Century School Fund  
*Introduced by Scott Brown, Director of Office of School Facilities, Maine DOE*
- 2:35 Q & A
- 2:50 General Discussion
- 3:15 Wrap-Up and Next Steps
- 3:30 Adjourn