**MACM Participation Guide**

The general rule is that conditionally certified special educators must participate in MACM their first year as teacher of record. There are modified requirements for some, depending upon her or his certification and teaching history. These questions will help you determine if your new teacher is required to participate in all, some, or none of MACM:

1. Does s/he hold professional certification in general education?
   1. *May not need MACM mentor*
2. Does s/he have a professional endorsement in some other area of special education (either grade level or for a different disability category)?

* *Does not need MACM mentor or course*

1. Does s/he have professional level special education certification from a state other than Maine?
   1. *Does not need MACM mentor or course*
2. Does s/he have two or fewer courses remaining, one of which is a field placement or student teaching, to complete a graduate or post-bac certificate program?
   1. *May not need MACM course (unless is part of grad program)*
3. Does s/he have eligibility via provisional, waivered, or targeted need certificates?
   1. *Does not need MACM now, but recommended that they start (will need with new conditional certification*

The charts that follow give general information about who must participate in the MACM course and mentoring components. If you are unsure if your new teacher is required to participate in MACM, please contact the MACM coordinator ([Valerie.smith@maine.edu](mailto:Valerie.smith@maine.edu)) or the DOE Certification Office for clarification.

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| **Teacher Certification History** | **MACM Course** | **MACM Mentor** | **SAU Mentor** |
| **Professional level special education** certificate from a different state | no | no | yes |
| Maine **professional level special education** endorsement different age group | no | no | recommended |
| **Maine Elementary or Secondary general education** professional level endorsement | yes | At SAU request | Recommended  (if no MACM mentor desired) |
| Maine **provisional** level special education certification | no | no | yes |
| Maine **transitional, targeted need, waivered** special education certification | At SAU request | At SAU request  or | yes |
| **Maine Conditional Certification in Special Education and** |  |  |  |
| * Has **2 courses or fewer** **remaining** to complete cert requirements | no | yes | (no) |
| * Has **1 course and 1 field experience** course remaining to complete certification, post-bac certificate or special education M. Ed. program | no | Yes, or program field placement supervisor | no |
| * Has **more than 2 courses remaining** to complete certification, post-bac certificate or special education M. Ed. program | yes | yes | (no) |

**New SPED Teacher hired**

**MACM Not Required**

**MACM Options**

**More than 2 courses needed**

**Within 2 courses or field experience of program completio**n

**Professional Cert & Experience outside Maine**

**SPED cert, endorsement area change**

**Gen Ed moving to SPED**

**Conditional Cert**

**Provisional SPED Cert**