

One bonus about retirement is that it gives me more time to do things that I love and feel passionately about. The Maine School Librarian Handbook is one of the “loves”. All changes mentioned below have been incorporated into the documents found on the MASL website. You may print the entire chapters or do as I did for many of these changes – print this document and tape the changes into your Handbook!

Legislation

Page 1

Delete the following sentence:

At the publishing date of this handbook (Fall,2009), Chapters 125 and 127 remain in the process of revision by the legislature.

Change the amended date to 2015. There were no changes in the language pertaining to Library Media centers.

Page 8 and 9

Print the updated pages about ESSA from the MASL website.

Certification

Many changes have been made to this chapter. Print all and replace in your Handbook. The section about Job Descriptions will be changing in the future.

Technology

Page 10

Add

[Evergreen Open Source Library System](#)

Page 11, delete Gaylord Bros. They are now devoted to archival materials.

Page 20

Add

Common Sense Media

Lesson plans and activities, review and ratings of books, websites, music, apps, games, etc.

<https://www.common sense media.org/>

Page 21 Change contact information to

Sherry Wyman
School Library/Technology Integration Coordinator

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23 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
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Professional Growth

Page 1 paragraph 2, change the contact information to Walter Kimball wkimball@maine.edu.

Page 13

Second paragraph, add “and are renewable”

Paragraph 3, replace with the following:

The State of Maine provides a \$2750 yearly stipend for Nationally Certified Teachers for the life of the certificate, as long as the teacher is employed as a classroom teacher in the field of certification. That’s \$27,500 over the course of the certificate! In addition, some school districts in the state provide additional compensation and reimbursement for costs incurred in achieving National Board Certification. Information may be found at:

<http://boardcertifiedteachers.org/in-your-state/maine>

Paragraph 6, add the word “School”

Update the listed NBPTS certified School Librarians to:

Peggy Becksvoort	2022	Falmouth Middle School
Maureen Driscoll	2020	Mabel I Wilson Elementary School
Kelley Goodfield	2023	Sacopee Valley Middle School
Nancy Grant	2018	MASL Board member
Cathy Potter	2024	Falmouth Elementary School
Ellen Spring	2025	Cushing Community & Owls Head Central Schools

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Add:

MEA supports NBCT certification and provides a full spectrum of assistance and support for first-time candidates and for renewal candidates.

<http://www.maine.nea.org/home/1619.htm>

Awards

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Replace from website

Professional Groups

Page 2

Replace information for District Consultants with:

CMLD

Consultant: Stephanie Zurinski
Administrative Assistant: Cheryl Ramsay
Location: Maine State Library
Address: 64 State House Station, Augusta, Maine, 04333-0064
Telephone: (207) 287-5620, 1-800-322-8899
Stephanie.zurinski@maine.gov

NMLD

Consultant: Vacant
Administrative Assistant: Jenny Melvin
Location: Bangor Public Library
Address: 145 Harlow Street, Bangor, Maine 04401
Telephone: (207) 947-8336, 1-800-427-8336
jennym@bpl.me.us

SMLD

Consultant: Deborah Clark
Administrative Assistant: Elaine Bissonnette
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Replace with:

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Sherry is an invaluable resource for school library media personnel. She can guide in the certification process and recommend professional development towards that end. Sherry will make school visits and recommendations. Sherry is also the technology plan approver for Maine public schools as well as the e-rate coordinator for schools.

Page 3

Replace links with:

- Grants: <http://maine.gov/education/grantlist.htm>
- Center for Inquiry on Literacy: <http://www.maine.gov/education/cil/cil.htm>
- Maine Learning Results <http://www.maine.gov/education/standards.htm>

- Teacher Certification <http://www.maine.gov/education/cert/index.html>
- Educational Technician Authorization <http://www.maine.gov/doe/cert/initial/edtech/>
- Maine Family Literacy Initiative <http://www.maine.gov/education/meflit/homepage.htm>

Pages 6 – 9

Print and replace to update information in your Handbook.