

# MAPT

## 2023 Regional Conference Driving Forward Together

Registration	7:00-8:00
Opening Remarks	8:00-8:35
Skills & Workshops	8:45-11:30

Workshops will be broken down into groups to accommodate for the Skills Event portion of the conference. Driving Skills groups will be assigned during registration.

Lunch	11:30-12:15
Workshops	12:30-2:15
Closing and Awards	2:15-3:00



### FYI

We ask that you please turn off cell phones or switch to silent.

There is no smoking in any area of the school including the school grounds. This will be enforced.

### CERTIFICATES

Upon completion of all MAPT Workshops Certificates of Attendance will be issued to the Director of each district. Please print your name on the attendance sheet legibly.

We sincerely hope that you enjoy the workshops we have scheduled for you this year.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to speak to any one of us.

Thank You for  
Joining Us!



## About MAPT

### WHO WE ARE...

We are a nonprofit organization of school transportation personnel. Formed in 1971 by a small dedicated group of transportation supervisors to provide training to school bus drivers throughout the state. MAPT has now grown to an association consisting of supervisors, directors, administrators, mechanics, trainers, drivers, industry related companies and a representative from Maine State Police.

### WHAT WE DO...

We provide six regional safety conferences: four in April and two in June. We also provide an annual conference each July at Sugarloaf.

### OUR PROGRAMS...

School Bus Safety Poster Contest, Bus Driver Appreciation Day, Above & Beyond Award, National Skills Competitions, Professional Development Series and Mutual Aid Program.

### MAPT OFFICERS

President - Lisa Gadway MSAD #75  
President-Elect Open  
Treasurer - Richard Joseph, RSU #9  
Secretary - Brenda Cravens, MSAD #60

### BOARD MEMBERS

Ex-Officio Rep - Michelle Caron Brunswick  
Director At Large - Chris Storer Yarmouth Schools  
Director At Large - Andy Madura-MSAD 61  
Director At Large - Peter Saucier MSAD #27  
Northern, Southern, Western & Down East Chapter - Open  
Southern Driver Rep - Cindy Messier RSU #21  
Northern Driver Rep - Rodney Bourgoine RSU #39  
Vendor Rep - Cliff Chase, O'Connor Bus Sales  
Maine State Police Rep - Lt. Bruce Scott

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For Regional & Annual Conference  
Registration Information



## MAPT Association for Transportation

In Collaboration With  
Maine Department of Education  
& Maine State Police

## LOCATIONS

### Regional Safety Conferences 2023

April 18 Region 1 Southern  
Noble High School North Berwick

April 19 Region 2 Mid Coast  
Brunswick HS Brunswick

April 20 Region 3 Central  
Mt View HS Thorndike

April 21 Region 4 Western  
Mt Blue HS Farmington

June 27 Region 5 Northern  
Ft. Kent High School Ft. Kent

June 29 Region 6 Downeast  
Narraguagus High School Harrington

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## Moving Maine Forward Together **WORKSHOPS**

### #1 Distractions

Distracted driving continues to be a leading cause of school bus accidents throughout the United States. If drivers become distracted, they are more likely to be involved in accidents -regardless of their levels of experience.

### Basics of De-escalation

**#2** Workshop will introduce the basics of de-escalation. We will learn ways to create a positive, supportive environment through communication as well as learn to de-escalate potential crisis situations.

### Case Study-Vehicle Collision with Student Pedestrians

**#3** This course will explore risk mitigation, error Chains and causal factors in a fatal accident that occurred in Rochester IN. on October 30,2018 in which four children were struck while crossing the road.

### Special Education A- Z

**#4** This course will cover everything you need to know about transporting students with special needs on regular ed buses as well as special education buses.



## **MAPT PRESENTERS**

**Fred Barlow** - Fred serves as director of transportation at RSU #16 -- Mechanic Falls, Minot & Poland, and has had leadership roles in the pupil transportation industry since 1986. He has earned certifications in other states as a school bus driver instructor and motor vehicle license examiner.

**Cindy Messier** - Cindy Messier works in RSU 21, Kennebunk, Kennebunkport and Arundle. Where she holds the position of Transportation training Coordinator. Cindy has successfully trained 23 driver in that time. She has been an active member of MAPT for more than 10 years and has held the position of southern driver representative for the past 7 years. Cindy is an active member of the conference committee and specializes in special education.

**Brenda Cravens** - Brenda has been the Transportation Director for MSAD #60 (Berwick, North Berwick & Lebanon) since 2016. She has worked in transportation for 40 years, holding positions as Safety Coordinator, Transportation Coordinator and Director of Transportation. She is an active member of MAPT and has served as Secretary as well as Director at Large. Brenda is also a member of NAPT.

**Gregg McGoff** - Gregg is a bus driver for MSAD 49 (Fairfield) and has been an active member of MAPT. He has been in the transportation field for 26 years. Gregg is a four time Maine State Champion and a national champion in the 2015 Transporting students with Special Needs team competition.

**Christopher Pascluto** - Chris is the Transportation Manager (Director) for RSU 21 and a newcomer to pupil transportation. He comes from a career operating large seagoing vessels and most recently, as the Director of Training for a school founded to prevent deadly maritime accidents. Chris is involved with the MAPT conference committee and will lead a transportation case study at the regional conferences.

**MSP MV Inspection Unit** - is represented by the Maine State Police Motor Vehicle Safety Inspectors

#### **Skills Team:**

Cliff Chase - Co-Chair Amy Hogan - Co-Chair  
Randy McKiel, Motor Vehicle Inspectors Lead



## **DRIVING SKILLS EVENT**

The skills part of the conference will begin at 8:45 and will run until everyone has finished. The purpose of this event is to challenge the operating skills of school bus drivers in a way that promotes safety and improved driving practices. First, second and third place winners are invited to compete for the state championship in each vehicle class in the State Competition in July.

At each Regional Conference a Team Award will be presented to the School Unit or Service Provider who receives the highest team score.

There are five components that make up the skills competition.

1. Stop Line (final event within the course)
2. Diminishing Clearance
3. Off Set Alley
4. Straight Line
5. Curb Line

