

Update - Teacher Shortage Areas

The U.S. DOE annually designates teacher shortage areas for purposes of deferment of loan repayments or reductions of teaching obligation. The Maine Department of Education recently requested input regarding designated teacher shortage areas for federal reporting and would like to thank all those who submitted information during the comment period. The comments related to teacher shortage enabled the Department to add several teaching endorsements to the US DOE proposal. The following are K-12 teacher shortage areas for the 2022-2023 school year:

- General Elementary (K-8) (020)
- Early Childhood (Pre-K) (081)
- Teacher of Students with Disabilities (Pre-K) (282)
- Teacher of Students with Disabilities (K-8) (282)
- Teacher of Students with Disabilities (7-12) (282)
- Blind/Visually Impaired (K-12) (291)
- Deaf/Hearing Impaired (K-12) (292)
- English/Language Arts (7-12) (100)
- Mathematics (7-12) (300)
- Middle Level Science (5-8) (340)
- Adapted Physical Education (K-12) (512)
- Theater (K-12) (625)
- Industrial Arts / Technology (K-12) (700)