



Agenda

Certification and Higher Education Committee
Maine State Board of Education

Wednesday, May 27, 2026

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Join Zoom meeting:

<https://mainestate.zoom.us/j/82124308907?pwd=MaZFYgla36lyExiP7VWHG82sSNmBuc.1>

I. Call to Order (Tom Keller, Chair)

II. Acceptance of Minutes - April 22, 2026

III. Public Comment

IV. Higher Education Update (Michael Perry, Office of Higher Education and Educator Support Services, Maine Department of Education)

- A. Reminder to committee to review Northeastern Univ/Roux Institute report
- B. Annual EPP Reports - Bates, Bowdoin, Colby and College of the Atlantic
- C. Other

V. Certification Update (Michael Perry, Maine Department of Education)

- A. Maine Educator Information System (MEIS) Update with graphics; application processing time; phone wait time
- B. CHRC Violations Report update
- C. Certification Violations Report update
- D. Other

VI. Report from TEAME and EPPs – Dr. Linda Fuller, COA

VII. Other Business

- A. Begin to discuss portfolio review process
- B. The team discussed plans to improve certification application data visualization methods and expressed interest in future data that will include vacancy information from superintendents.
- C. Wendy Kostenbauder would like to share updates on their education apprenticeships program and EdTech process.

- D. Follow-up on a CA project (I think) on how to gather data on the placement and performance of new teachers could inform instruction and best practices at IHEs. Michael has thought about adding a question in the MEIS system when a teacher gets initial certification or renews as to the EPP they attended, then ask them about several outcomes for initial teachers, perhaps based on Chapter 114. How confident do you feel in these areas? And then ask them again at their 5-year renewal, how prepared were you in these? Tom has wondered if a survey could be given to principals to identify their new teachers and the pathway/EPP they attended and the principal's general impression of how well the teachers were prepared by that EPP.

VIII. Date of the next Committee meeting is June 24, 2026 (Regular Monthly Meeting)

IX. Adjournment

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