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UMF Student Teacher Helps Mount Blue Middle School Students Transition To Remote Learning

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When her student teaching abruptly moved online due to COVID-19, University of Maine at Farmington graduating senior Maggie Pomerleau quickly helped her mentor teacher and their students at Mount Blue Middle School in Farmington adapt.

The Secondary Education major from Sidney, Maine helped prepare work packets for students who lacked internet access, developed lesson plans and graded essays.

"I have truly enjoyed working with Maggie this spring," said her mentor teacher, Denise Mochamer, a 1989 graduate of UMF. "It didn't go as originally planned, but we certainly have been creative and worked through this new learning. I wouldn't have wanted to go through it with anyone else but her."

"It's been hard not being at the middle school during my last semester at UMF. I see my students missing their friends, spring sports and the end of the year activities, and I am going through the same thing," said Pomerleau. "It's been a challenging experience, but one that has helped prepare me for the crucial and evolving role teachers fill every day."

Pomerleau is one of hundreds of teachers that will graduate from the University of Maine System this spring. [You can read more about her student teaching experience here.](#)

