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TO: Principals of Elementary Schools with Self-Contained Special Classrooms

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SUBJECT: Mandt Training (2026-2027)

Mandt training will continue to be available during the 2026–2027 school year for designated elementary schools with Self-Contained Special Classrooms (SCSCs) in the following areas:

- Social Emotional Behavior (SEB)
- Autism (AU)
- Functional Academics (FA)
- Academic Communication (AC)

Teachers, 35-hour ESPs, and 25-hour ESPs working in these settings are encouraged to become Mandt certified. Three training sessions will be offered during the 2026–2027 school year. Each session consists of two full-day training dates and participants must attend **both days in their entirety** to receive certification.

Registration is available through the Canvas Catalog linked to the dates below. Class sizes will be limited based on room-capacity requirements.

Dates	Times	Location
Sept. 4 and 11, 2026	8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Riverton High School (Tech Atrium)
Nov. 6 and 20, 2026	8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Day 1: Mountain Ridge High School (Tech Atrium) Day 2: Riverton High School (Tech Atrium)
Mar. 5 and 12, 2027	8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Riverton High School (Tech Atrium)

Classroom Coverage and Training Coordination:

Staff should work with their building administrators and classroom teams before registering to coordinate attendance across the available training sessions. When multiple staff members from the same classroom plan to participate, they should select alternating training dates to ensure classrooms remain appropriately staffed and supported.

Compensation and Substitute Coverage:

The Special Education Department will cover substitute costs for contracted employees. Please use budget code 1292. Special Education will also compensate ESPs for training time that extends beyond their regularly scheduled workday:

- **25-hour ESPs:** Record the regularly scheduled five hours in True Time. Up to three additional hours may be submitted on a timesheet.
- **35-hour ESPs:** Employees will receive their contracted seven hours and may submit up to one additional hour on a timesheet.

Attendance Requirement:

Employees who are unable to attend both dates of a Mandt training session should attend ASPEN training this year and consider participating in Mandt training at a later date.