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Getting Started with MCC: Instructional Update

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We want to thank all of you who agreed to teach one of our modules. As you may know MCC has been a successful supplemental math curriculum. This document should provide you with sufficient information to start teaching your module. We look forward to working with you to improve your students' math performance.

MODULE INTRODUCTION AND GUIDE TO MCC:

The introduction to the module provides you with the key math concepts of the module, descriptions of the pedagogy, and cultural connections. Throughout the module there are teacher notes, math notes, and cultural notes. These notes will assist you in teaching the module.

In addition to the module introduction we have prepared a *Guide to use MCC* (draft edition). Visit our website to download at <http://www.uaf.edu/mcc/forms/#guide>. The guide will be revised based on feedback that we receive. Please send us the feedback.

TESTS:

1. You will find the tests on our website <http://www.uaf.edu/mcc/tests> (look for tests)
2. Download the test, the test grading key, and the scoring spreadsheet.
Important: Please give your students the pre tests before starting the module and the post tests when you finish.
3. Print out the tests and make the necessary copies for the students. Use the tests as you would any classroom exam.
4. Please fill out the scoring spreadsheets: student's name, grade level, and points for each item.

TO SEND:

1. **Important:** Send the test scores to flor.mcc@alaska.edu as soon as possible. The scores will provide important information on how well your students are performing. We hope to generate basic math subscales, pinpointing topics such as grouping and place value. Also, the scores show us how well the implementation is preceding and what adjustments we may need to make.

- Go to our website and complete the teacher log at least once while you teach each module. Go to our website <http://www.uaf.edu/mcc/forms/teacher-log.html> and complete the information.

FOLLOW-UP:

- Do you have the MCC materials (modules, stories etc.) that you need to teach?
- Do we need to send you any additional materials? If so, what?
- Let us know if you wish to have a person from MCC visit your classroom to support your efforts in teaching a MCC module. We will e-mail back to you if this is possible.

OTHER:

We will continue to work with district level personnel to ensure that the coordination between the project and all of you is as smooth as possible.

Please let us know as soon as possible if you need additional module-related materials. Email Jerry Lipka at jerry.mcc@alaska.edu, or Flor Banks at flor.mcc@alaska.edu.

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