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"Gatherings, Visitors, and Field Trips

1. Pursue virtual group events, gatherings, or meetings, if possible, and promote social distancing of at least six feet between people if events are held. Limit group size to the extent possible. Groups must not exceed the Governor's gathering size limits.
2. Limit any nonessential visitors, volunteers, and activities involving external groups or organizations as much as possible—especially with individuals who are not from the local geographic area (e.g., community, town, city, and county)."

#2 does pose a question in terms of consistency with our plan for no visitors except staff and students for re-opening to classroom instruction. The fact that the event is planned for before that day allows for some grey area I think.

Also was directed to the COVID19 Prevention Checklist Industry Guidance for events not directly related to educating our students. Includes separate bathrooms and many other details....
www.maine.gov/decd/checklists/general-guidance

The Governor's gathering limit size today is - 50 inside, 100 out

"The number of individuals that can gather in a shared space must not exceed the limit established by the Governor's Executive Order, currently set at 50 people indoors and 100 people outdoors. If a space cannot accommodate the gathering limit without complying with the six-foot distancing requirement, occupancy must be limited to allow for such compliance."

If outdoors, the Prevention Checklist Industry Guidance speaks of creating sectors of no more than 50 people each.

Nothing I found exempts presenters from the audience in the gathering limit count, and the conversation today did not recall that being an official stance.

Executive Order dated August 1, 2020 states "5 people per 1000 square feet of occupiable outdoor space or not more than 100 persons whichever is less. The limit on the number of persons for indoor gatherings remains at 50 persons as set forth in Executive Order 55 FY19/20." EO 6 - fy20-21.pdf from www.maine.gov/governor/mills/official_documents