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Maria Makedon is currently director of the Direct Archdiocesan District Office of Education.

Maria joined the staff of the Archdiocese following her graduation from St. Basil Academy/Teachers College, in June 1971, to serve in the Department of Education as an executive secretary and assistant to the director. In November 1989, Archbishop Iakovos officially appointed her as assistant director of the Department of Education.

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As a member of the *Standing Committee of New York City Religious and Independent Schools*, Maria Makedon represents the Archdiocese and the NYC Greek Orthodox parochial day schools at the federal, state, and local education authorities. Her participation in various conferences and committee meetings has initiated contacts that have helped provide the New York City day schools with various funded services and resources.