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MEMORANDUM

TO: Comprehensive School Reform Principals and District Contacts

FROM: James Candela, CSR Consultant 

RE: CSR Statewide Conference

DATE: January 4, 2005

We are very pleased to inform all of you that our annual Statewide CSR Conference will be held Thursday, February 17, 2005, at the Kellogg Center on the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan. Registration will begin at 8:30 AM and the conference will be from 9:00 AM until 3:30 PM.

This year, we are honored to have America's number one expert on Parent/Community Involvement, **Joyce Epstein**, with us for breakout presentations in the morning and afternoon for separate groups of elementary and secondary educators. We also have three excellent speakers who will share their thinking with you on a variety of issues related to Comprehensive School Reform.

Keynote Speakers are:

- **Dr. Carolyn McKanders**, Education Consultant

- **Margaret McNeely**, USDOE Program Director for the
CSR Federal Program Office in Washington, DC

Luncheon Speaker:

- **Steve Hoelscher**, Executive Director, Michigan Middle Start

Additionally, we will have breakout sessions in the morning and afternoon, which include presenters from NCREL/Learning Points and the Center for Comprehensive School Reform and Improvement, as well as presenters from several Michigan CSR schools. We have BIG plans for this day together!

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Registration: Schools are encouraged to send teams of 2-4 people, including your district contact person. Register online by connecting with our Comprehensive School Reform website at: <http://www.mi.gov/mdeofs> and click the *Comprehensive School Reform (CSR)* link. The registration deadline is February 10, 2005.

Room Reservations: A block of rooms has been reserved at the conference rate and is available for our conference. For reservations, please call **1-800-875-5090** by January 17, 2004.

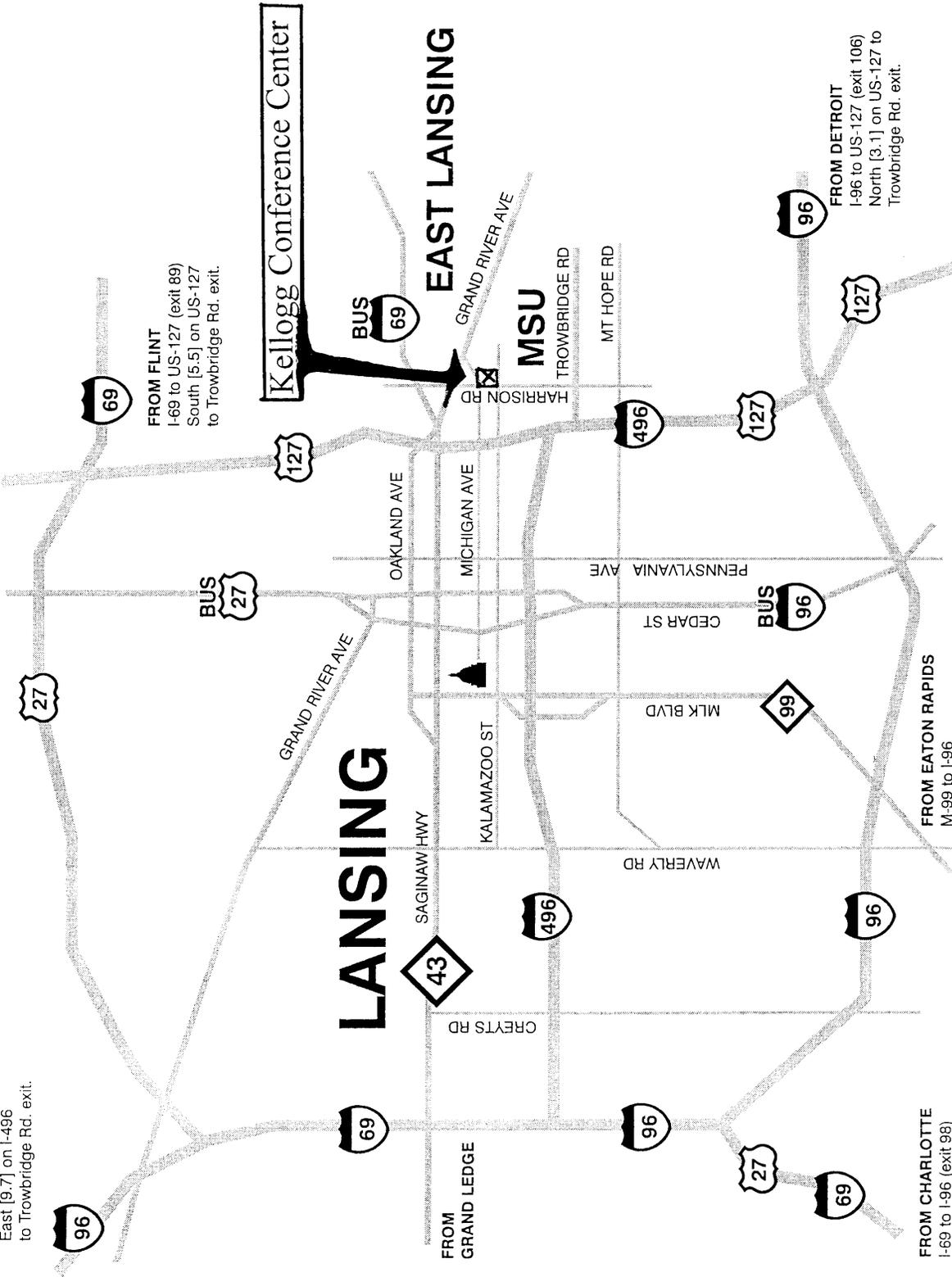
Kellogg Center Location: Please refer to the enclosed map for driving information to East Lansing and our conference site.

We are looking forward to a great conference on **February 17, 2005**. Join us for the excitement. Questions may be directed to Jim Candela or Ruth Bowler at 517-241-1162.

Enclosures
cc: Superintendents

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