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TO: Home School Operators
FROM: Carol L. Wolenberg, Deputy Superintendent
SUBJECT: 2011-2012 Nonpublic School Membership Report

If you are operating a home school in Michigan for the 2011-12 school year, the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) requests that you complete the attached Nonpublic School Membership Report (NSMR) and submit it to MDE no later than September 30, 2011. The report can be accessed online as described below.

The Nonpublic School Act (1921 PA 302) permits the Superintendent of Public Instruction to inquire into the records of enrollment, qualifications of teachers, and course of study in nonpublic schools in the state. *In addition, students attending nonpublic or home schools that complete the NSMR are eligible for auxiliary services such as speech or special education at the local public school.* Home schooled students have the right to enroll in non-essential elective courses such as band, physical education, music, and driver's education in public schools.

The NSMR, instructions, and other information on home schooling can be found on www.michigan.gov/homeschool. Click on the link: Home School Registration Information. If you do not have computer access, you may use any public library or another source to access the website. Please print, complete, and return the form either by fax or U.S. mail to the fax number or state address listed on the form by September 30, 2011.

In order to keep our records current, please email nonpublicschools@michigan.gov if you will not be operating a home school this school year. Please include your name, address, and phone number in the email.

If you have questions regarding the NSMR, please call 517-373-1833 or email the address above.

I appreciate your continued cooperation in assisting our Department with the reporting process.

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