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MEMORANDUM

TO: Intermediate and Local School District Superintendents
Public School Academy Directors
Nonpublic School Superintendents
School Principals

FROM: Sally Vaughn, Ph.D. *Sally*
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SUBJECT: Smarter Balanced Technology Readiness Survey Results from the
November 2012 Collection

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) would like to thank all of the local education agencies, intermediate school districts, and public school academies for their support in completing the Smarter Balanced Technology Readiness Report. We had 93.53 percent of all districts, representing 4,653 individual buildings, complete the survey. In total, data for 501,039 devices were provided.

The data reported was requested by the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC). This report is an aggregate of the data collected across the state.

The report has been developed to overview the status of the responses concerning district participation, device type, processors, memory, screen size, screen resolution, operating system, internal bandwidth, and internet bandwidth. You can access the report at <http://www.techplan.org/technology-readiness/smarter-balanced-tech-readiness-survey/>.

In the Section 22.i Technology Readiness Infrastructure Grant, the MDE will focus on the development of a new tool that will collect data to gauge the technology readiness of Michigan districts to meet the state's target of online growth assessment by the 2014-15 school year. The new tool will utilize SBAC survey data plus additional data points to create reports so districts may gauge their readiness to administer online testing. The reports will provide districts with a gap analysis and recommendations so they can adequately plan for future networking, infrastructure, and devices/hardware needs in order to comply with state requirements.

If you have questions about the survey, contact Tim Hall at HallT@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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