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MEMORANDUM

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents and
Public School Academy Administrators

FROM: Carol Wolenberg, Deputy Superintendent *CW*

SUBJECT: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009
State Fiscal Stabilization Fund - Education Stabilization Funds Grant
Information

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is pleased to announce that the application for State Fiscal Stabilization Fund - Education Stabilization Funds (ESF) will be available **June 10, 2009**.

The purpose of the ESF funds is to save and create jobs and to advance essential education reforms to benefit students from early learning through post-secondary education, including: college- and career- ready standards and high-quality, valid and reliable assessments for all students; development and use of pre-K through post-secondary and career data systems; increasing teacher effectiveness and ensuring an equitable distribution of qualified teachers; and turning around the lowest-performing schools.

Applications must be submitted using the Michigan Electronic Grants System (MEGS) no later than July 31, 2009. If an LEA does not submit an application by July 31, 2009, the LEA will not receive FY 2009 ESF grant funds.

The application will be submitted online using MEGS at:
<http://megs.mde.state.mi.us/megs/>. Note: Only a MEGS Authorized Official (Level 5) may initiate the ESF grant application in MEGS.

Access the ESF information including allocation amounts and application information beginning on June 10, 2009, at www.michigan.gov/mde-grants. The information will be under the "What's New" header.

Questions regarding the content of this memo may be directed to the Grants Coordination and School Support, Grants Administration and Coordination unit by email to mdestabilization@michigan.gov or by phone at 517-373-1806.

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