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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan 

SUBJECT: Report on Department of Education Cosponsorships

The Department of Education is asked to cosponsor a number of conferences or events. I am notifying the Board of the following cosponsorships:

- 2012 Michigan Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference
- April as Month of the Young Child 2012

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COSPONSORSHIP

Title of Event: 2012 Michigan Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference

Primary Sponsoring Agency: Michigan Association for the Education of Young Children

Cosponsors: Early Childhood Investment Corporation, Michigan Department of Education, Michigan Head Start Association, Michigan Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators, Child Care Licensing Division, Bureau of Children and Adult Licensing

Date: March 29-31, 2012

Location: Amway Grand Plaza Hotel and DeVos Place
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Purpose: To provide participants with current information regarding: research studies, effective teaching strategies, and supportive learning environments for young children and their families.

Major Speaker(s): To be determined

Audience: Early childhood teachers, administrators, support personnel and parents, including representatives of public and private schools, child care centers, Head Start, and training programs.

Staff Involvement: Staff from the Office of Early Childhood Education and Family Services will conduct presentations to disseminate information regarding state and federally-funded Michigan Department of Education programs and will present workshops on related topics.

Financial Obligation (please check): Federal State Other

Staff Costs (including fringe benefits and number of days): \$ 1,680
(5 staff @ 3 days)

Other Costs (including meals, phone, postage, travel, etc.): \$ 1,000

State Board Participation: Yes, as invited guests

The following "Statement of Cosponsorship" will appear on the printed agenda for the meeting or conference:

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COSPONSORSHIP

Title of Event: April as Month of the Young Child® 2012

Primary Sponsoring Agency: Michigan Association for the Education of Young Children

Cosponsors: See attached list.

Date: April 1-30, 2012

Location: Statewide observance through local and intermediate school districts and relevant community-based organizations.

Purpose: It is proposed that the Michigan Department of Education recognize April 2012 as Month of the Young Child® in Michigan.

Major Speaker(s): Not applicable

Audience: Early childhood educators, agencies, and organizations; parents; and child care providers

Staff Involvement: One contracted consultant volunteers to represent MDE as a member of the planning committee.

Financial Obligation (please check): Federal 0 State 0 Other 0

Staff Costs (including fringe benefits and number of days): \$ 0

Other Costs (including meals, phone, postage, travel, etc.): \$ 0

State Board Participation: Not applicable

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