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MEMORANDUM

TO: Intermediate School District Superintendents

FROM: Lindy Buch, Ph.D., Director *LB*
Office of Great Start, Early Childhood Education and Family Services

DATE: February 13, 2014

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP)
Opportunity for Funding for Migrant Summer Services

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is pleased to offer Intermediate School Districts (ISDs) the opportunity to accept additional GSRP slots to serve children of migrant farmworkers during the summer of 2014.

Eligible children will meet GSRP income and age guidelines, have not attended a publicly-funded preschool in Michigan during FY 2014, and have parent(s) or guardian(s) whose principal employment is in agriculture, floriculture, horticulture, or fisheries on a seasonal basis, who has been so employed and who has established a temporary abode for that employment in the last thirty-six months. This definition aligns with the federal definition for Migrant Education.

In order to accept additional slots, the ISD must agree to comply with all applicable Child Care Licensing rules and GSRP program requirements as modified for Migrant GSRP, see attached.

Please complete the attached questionnaire indicating whether or not the ISD is interested in receiving Migrant GSRP slots and submit it to:

MDE-gsrp@michigan.gov by **February 21, 2014**.

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This letter is not an official offer, but merely an inquiry of interest. After February 21, all requests will be compiled and offers of additional part-day Migrant GSRP slots will be made in GSRP rank order by poverty.

For your convenience, the Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker Enumeration Profiles Study for 2013 is posted at www.michigan.gov/gsrp. A conference call for interested ISDs will take place on Tuesday, February 18 at 9:00 am. Please call 866-434-5269 and enter access code 5143044 to join.

If you have questions, please contact Jayne Klein at kleinj@michigan.gov or your assigned GSRP consultant.

CC: Early Childhood Contacts