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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Approval of Criteria for 2006 – 2007 State School Aid Act, Section 99f,
School Mapping Pilot Program grants.

The Michigan Legislature in the 2006 State School Aid Act, Section 99f, appropriated \$350,000 for grants to intermediate school districts, local school districts, and public school academies for school building security mapping to be conducted by the Michigan State Police Emergency Management Division. The MSP in conjunction with the Michigan Department of Information Technology Center for Geographic Information (CGI) will provide technical guidance and oversight to the mapping process. Grantees will select a vendor to complete the mapping.

The purpose of the school security mapping is for use by agencies that are called to respond to an emergency such as the release of a hazardous material, the presence of an armed individual on or near the premises, an act of terrorism, or a related emergency. The security mapping must be coordinated with existing systems that are currently in use or being developed by emergency management personnel.

There are two categories for this grant. Category I is for the legislatively designated grants to specific ISDs and one school district. Category II is for competitive grants of \$7,000 each to districts for individual school building(s). In Category II, districts may apply for up to three (3) buildings with one application. Competitive preference is given if an emergency situation has occurred in or near the school building within the last five years. Districts may not apply for more than three (3) buildings.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education approve the criteria for the School Mapping Pilot Program Grants as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum, dated October 30, 2006.

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Criteria for the School Mapping Pilot Program Grant

The State Board of Education has adopted as its Strategic Goal "Attain substantial and meaningful improvement in academic achievement for all students/children with primary emphasis on high priority schools and students." In addition, the State Board has adopted the following five Strategic Initiatives to implement the goal:

- Ensuring Excellent Educators
- Elevating Educational Leadership
- Embracing the Information Age
- Ensuring Early Childhood Literacy
- Integrating Communities and Schools

To the extent possible, all grant criteria and grant awards will include priority consideration of the Strategic Goal and the Strategic Initiatives.

BACKGROUND/PURPOSE OF GRANT

Competitive Formula New Continuation *(check all that apply)*

The Michigan Legislature has appropriated \$350,000 for school building security mapping

Legislatively designated grants will be made available as Category I grants to five ISDs and one district as follows:

Clare Gladwin ISD	\$105,000
Jackson ISD	\$ 28,000*
Kalamazoo RESA	\$ 28,000*
Muskegon ISD	\$ 28,000*
Menominee ISD	\$ 28,000
Garden City School District	\$ 28,000

Recipients of legislatively designated grants must use the funds for school building security mapping to be conducted by the Michigan State Police (MSP) Emergency Management Division. The MSP in conjunction with the Michigan Department of Information Technology Center for Geographic Information (CGI) will provide technical guidance and oversight to the mapping process. Grantees will select a vendor to complete the mapping. Grantees listed above with an asterisk (*) must map a total of four (4) school buildings, two of which must be located in rural areas and two of which must be located in urban areas.

Fifteen competitive grants of \$7,000 each for a total of \$105,000, will be made available under Category II to districts for school security mapping of individual school building(s). Competitive preference will be given if an emergency situation has occurred in or near the school building within the last five years. In Category II, districts may apply for up to three (3) buildings with one application. Districts may not apply for more than three (3) buildings.

Recipients in both Category I and Category II must develop an end product, share it with first responders, and report on the results of the project.

LEGISLATION

The 2006 State School Aid Act, Section 99f appropriates \$350,000 for grants for school building security mapping.

RATIONALE FOR CRITERIA

This grant program supports two of the State Board of Education Strategic Initiatives: Integrating Communities and Schools and Embracing the Information Age. This grant program will support the integration of communities and schools because recipients must work with local emergency management agencies to accomplish the school security mapping. Additionally, the security mapping will be done electronically and be made available in real-time to first responders, thereby embracing the information age.

CRITERIA

Defined in Legislation Defined in Department’s Grant Proposed by Staff

The grants awarded will be pilot grants. Successful applicants in both Category I and Category II will describe how they will address the following:

Coordinate with the MSP and other local emergency management agencies (first responders, EMS, fire, and police) to complete the school security mapping project.

Develop a security mapping system that can interface with local and state emergency management systems following the content and cartographic standards identified by the MSP and the CGI.

Share the final product with first responders.

Indicate how they will use general or other funds to maintain and/or update the security mapping system.

- Develop a pilot system that can be used as a model for other school buildings and/or districts.

Evaluate the pilot project and report the results to the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) at the end of the grant period.

Coordinate the security mapping with MSP School Lockdown Grant activities and requirements.

Coordinate the security mapping efforts with other district safety efforts including, but not limited to MSP Homeland Security Grant Program, federal Emergency Response Grants, and Title IV Safe and Drug Free Schools funding.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS/TARGET POPULATION TO BE SERVED BY GRANT

Grants will be made available to intermediate school districts, local school districts, and public school academies.

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE

\$245,000 in Category I and \$105,000 in Category II for a total of \$350,000.

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