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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Report on the Midland County Educational Service Agency Plan for the Delivery of Special Education Programs and Services

Pursuant to Section 380.1711 of the School Code of 1976, each Intermediate School District (ISD) must develop, establish, continually evaluate, and modify its Plan for the Delivery of Special Education Programs and Services (Plan). Approval indicates that the ISD's and local constituent districts' special education programs and services described in the Plan meet standards which are consistent with federal and state requirements. Approval also allows ISDs to receive reimbursement pursuant to the State School Aid Act.

Staff has reviewed, and I have approved, the Midland County Educational Service Agency Plan for the Delivery of Special Education Programs and Services. Attachment A is a summary of the changes from the previously approved Midland County Educational Service Agency Plan.

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**MIDLAND COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY PLAN FOR
THE DELIVERY OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES
JULY 2009**

SUMMARY OF CHANGES/MODIFICATIONS

CONTENT AREAS	CHANGE/MODIFICATION
Special Education Programs-Level System	Special Education program names have been modified in order to move to a Level System when determining program placement for students. Added Appendix B as a chart to represent new Level changes and requirements. Added Appendix C that describes the consideration of student needs when determining Levels. Moved to departmentalized status in programs but will adhere to current rule maximums in each program and will not use an "average."
Juvenile Detention Facility	Operated as resource rooms but dependent upon needs of students.
Early Childhood Home/Community R340.155	Added to Midland County Educational Service Agency (MCESA) Plan.
Diagnostic and Related Services	Added to MCESA Plan as Appendix A to delineate how these services are provided within the local educational agency and public school academies.
Surrogate Parent Plan	Removed a number of bullet points at the recommendation of the Michigan Department of Education (MDE).
Homebound and Hospitalized Services	This description was removed from the MCESA Plan per recommendation from the MDE.
SXI/SCI Programs R340.1748(2)	Changed the wording of 210-day requirement to align with the new rule of 200 day, 1150 hour requirement.