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**MEMORANDUM**

To State Board of Education

From: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman 

Subject: Approval of Criteria for State School Aid Act, Section 57,  
Advanced and Accelerated Summer Institutes

The Michigan Legislature, in the 2007-2008 State School Aid Act, Section 57, appropriated \$285,000 for grants to intermediate school districts for providing summer institutes or scholarships for advanced and accelerated students.

Intermediate school districts that apply will receive \$5,000 and must provide a match of 25 percent (25%) from local public or private resources. Intermediate school districts may form a consortium to help provide a comprehensive program for advanced and accelerated students. If a consortium is formed, it will receive \$5,000 for each intermediate school district that joins the consortium.

The revised statement is added to the criteria to align with the Legislation: "Any unallocated grant funds may be allocated to intermediate districts and consortia receiving grants under this section in an equal amount per intermediate district."

It is recommended that the State Board of Education approve the criteria for the State School Aid Act, Section 57, Advanced and Accelerated Summer Institutes, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated May 23, 2008.

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Criteria for State School Act, Section 57, Advanced and Accelerated Summer Institutes

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."

To the extent possible, all grant criteria and grant awards will serve to further attain the above goal, and the Board's Vision and Principles of Universal Education.

**PRIORITIES, POLICIES, AND PROGRAMS THAT THESE CRITERIA SUPPORT**

Section 57 is to provide advanced and accelerated students opportunities to participate in comprehensive programs and summer institutes.

**BACKGROUND/PURPOSE OF GRANT**

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

The Michigan Legislature has directed \$285,000 be made available to Intermediate School Districts/Regional Education Service Agencies (ISDs/RESAs) for advanced and accelerated students. Each ISD/RESA will be awarded \$5,000. The Legislature also directs that any unallocated grant funds may be equally allocated to ISDs/RESAs and consortia receiving grants under this sections.

Section 57 helps to support part of the cost of summer institutes for advanced and accelerated pupils and, to the extent the funding allows, provide comprehensive programs for advanced and accelerated pupils. The ISD/RESA must provide a match of 25 percent (25%) from local public or private resources.

The funds are intended for the support of summer institutes for advanced and accelerated pupils. Intermediate School Districts/Regional Educational Service Agencies not engaging in activities for the advanced and accelerated students and not entering into a consortium arrangement with other eligible applicants may utilize the funds to support scholarships for students to attend summer workshops at colleges and universities.

**CRITERIA**

Date criteria were last approved February 12, 2008

Defined in Legislation     Defined in Department's Approved Grant Application to the Funder     Proposed by Staff

Provide summer institutes for advanced and accelerated students  
Provide comprehensive programs for advanced an accelerated students  
May utilize the funds to support scholarships for advanced and accelerated students to attend summer workshops at colleges and universities  
Must provide a match of 25 percent (25%) from local public or private resources