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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 27, 2016

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Brian Whiston, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Approval of Criteria for the 2016-17 Section 22g – District/ISD Consolidation Grant

The 2016-17 Section 22g - District/ISD Consolidation Grant was authorized in Public Act 249 of 2016 as a competitive grant that will be awarded to districts for the reimbursement of transition costs associated with the dissolution, consolidation, or annexation of districts or intermediate districts.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education approve the criteria for the 2016-17 Section 22g - District/ISD Consolidation Grant as attached to the Superintendent's memo dated September 27, 2016.

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Criteria for 2016-17 Section 22g – District/ISD Consolidation Grant

The State Board of Education has adopted guiding principles and strategic goals for developing Michigan into a top 10 education state in 10 years.

To the extent possible, all grant criteria and grant awards will serve to further attain the above goals.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES AND STRATEGIC GOALS THIS CRITERIA SUPPORT

This grant supports the goals of the State Board of Education (SBE) and Michigan Department of Education (MDE) by encouraging and supporting the dissolution, consolidation, or annexation of educational entities, and promoting a more effective and efficient statewide school organization plan. This will free up other available educational resources to help Michigan become a top 10 education state in 10 years.

PURPOSE / BACKGROUND OF GRANT

Type of Grant Program:

- New Continuing Formula
 Competitive Designated in Legislation or MDE Proposal

The State Legislature appropriated \$500,000 for competitive assistance grants to districts and intermediate districts (including public school academies) under the 2016-17 State School Aid Act. The funds are to be used for the reimbursement of transition costs associated with the dissolution, consolidation, or annexation of districts or intermediate districts that occur on or after June 1, 2016.

CRITERIA

Date criteria were last approved: _____ n/a _____

Source of Criteria:

- Federal Law, Rules or Regulation Proposed by Staff
 State Law or Rules Defined in MDE's Approved Grant Proposal to the Funder

Applications will be score based on the following components:

- Grant funds will be used for reimbursement of remaining transition costs associated with the dissolution, consolidation, or annexation of districts or intermediate districts as defined in statute.

- Districts may spend funds allocated under this section over 3 fiscal years (defined in statute).
- Well-defined transition costs and completion time frame (proposed by staff).
- Significant financial/operational benefits and efficiencies (proposed by staff).
- Resulting academic benefits for all students affected by dissolution, consolidation or annexation (proposed by staff).

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS AND TARGET POPULATION SERVED

The eligible applicants and target population of this grant are Intermediate School Districts, School Districts and Public School Academies that are or will be undergoing the process of dissolution, consolidation, or annexation.

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE

\$500,000

STATUTE

Section 22g of Public Act 249 of 2016, State School Aid

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