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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents  
Public School Academy Directors

FROM: Venessa A. Keesler, Ph.D.   
Deputy Superintendent, Education Services

SUBJECT: Teacher Professional Development in Science, Technology,  
Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Instruction

The State School Aid Act, Section 99(b) Professional Development Support for Teachers in STEM Instruction, has allocated \$330,000 for 2014-2015 to districts to support teacher professional development in STEM instruction utilizing training programs approved by the Michigan Department of Education (MDE). Funds awarded cannot exceed \$3,200 per participant.

The MDE is inviting districts that provide STEM professional development services in our state to apply to become one of the training programs approved by the MDE. Using the survey link, <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/99bvend>, submit an application to the MDE for consideration as one of the programs available to districts. This survey must be completed by 5:00 p.m. on September 9, 2014.

Any questions regarding this survey or grant program should be directed to Megan Schrauben, [schraubenm1@michigan.gov](mailto:schraubenm1@michigan.gov), 517-335-3199, or to Ruth Anne Hodges, [hodgesr3@michigan.gov](mailto:hodgesr3@michigan.gov), 517-241-2219.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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