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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 13, 2017

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents

Public School Academy Directors

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

Division of Educator, Student, and School Supports

SUBJECT: Educator Evaluation Webinar for Superintendents and Central Office

Personnel

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE), Office of Educator Talent (OET) is pleased to announce our next webinar in the ongoing series designed to support the implementation of rigorous, transparent, and fair educator evaluation systems in districts across the state.

Join us July 26th at 9:30 a.m. for a 60 minute webinar with informative updates relevant to educator evaluation for the 2017-18 school year. Webinar participants will review updates on legislative requirements including grant funding timelines and the MDE process for assessing and approving evaluation frameworks. Additionally, key components of the educator evaluation system will be discussed. We will provide an overview of student growth for educator evaluations, including the use of Student Learning Objectives (SLO) and Student Growth Percentiles (SGP). Finally, we will discuss the importance of a well-implemented feedback cycle as a mechanism for improvement for developing and sustaining a high-quality workforce.

Only registered participants can access the webinar; therefore, participants are encouraged to download the Adobe Connect Add-in prior to the webinar. The link to the add-in is located on the page after you log in. In addition, the seminar is set to connect participants to the audio at their device. However, participants who are unable to access the audio will need to connect via our conference call line. The conference call line information is as follows:

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Please feel free to share this information with all who may be interested. For questions and additional information regarding these webinar topics, please email the Office of Educator Talent at MDE-edevals@michigan.gov. Participants needing technical assistance on the day of the webinar may contact Yolanda Stephens at 517-241-8966 or via email at StephensY@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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