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## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** August 10, 2017

**TO:** Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents

**Public School Academy Directors** 

**FROM:** Kyle L. Guerrant

Deputy Superintendent, Finance and Operations

**SUBJECT**: Project SEARCH Grant: Applications Available

The Michigan Department of Education announces a grant to support Project SEARCH, a high school transition program serving students with disabilities in their last year of high school. Project SEARCH prepares young adults for their future by equipping them with the skills and experience needed to succeed in today's competitive job market.

The State of Michigan Project SEARCH program will offer unpaid internships within state agencies. A grant will be awarded to an Intermediate School District (ISD) that can assist state agencies in developing internships, recruit and place eligible students, provide classroom instruction, and assist interns with personal and work training needs. A total amount of \$100,000 is available.

One grant will be awarded to an eligible ISD that has partnered with the State of Michigan to implement a Project SEARCH program.

The application period opens today with a submission deadline of **August 21**, **2017**.

Applications are available by contacting Carol Skillings in the Office of School Support Services, Grants Coordination and School Support Unit, at 517-335-0449 or <a href="mailto:skillingsc@michigan.gov">skillingsc@michigan.gov</a>.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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