

June 21, 2002

MEMORANDUM

TO: Institutions of Higher Education, Intermediate and Local School District Directors of Special Education, Public School Academies, Public and Private Agencies/Companies/Corporations, For-Profit and Not-for-Profit Professional Organizations, and Other Interested Parties

FROM: Jacquelyn J. Thompson, Ph.D., Director
Office of Special Education and Early Intervention Services

SUBJECT: Notice of Request for Proposal for a State Discretionary Project:
Education Information Network

The State Board of Education has approved criteria for a state discretionary project titled, "Education Information Network," under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

Purpose: The purpose of the Education Information Network is to provide information, networked resources, and information regarding personnel development activities to stakeholders involved in the education of students with disabilities.

Funding: The total amount of the Project is up to \$1,000,000 per year.

Proposal Due: The proposals are due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 23, 2002.

Project Duration: The Project duration is October 1, 2002 (upon award) through June 30, 2003 for the initial funding period and is contingent upon the Superintendent's approval. Based on satisfactory performance and availability of federal funds, the project and annual funding may continue for up to five years.

Eligibility: Institutions of Higher Education, Intermediate and Local School Districts, Public School Academies, Public and Private Agencies/Companies/Corporations, For-Profit and Not-for-Profit Professional Organizations, and Other Interested Parties.

Application: To receive a copy of the Request for Proposal (RFP) for this Project, please contact Ms. Linda VanHorn at (517) 241-4517 prior to the due date, or access our website at <http://www.michigan.gov>

If you have any questions regarding the competitive bid procedures or questions regarding reimbursable items, please contact Ms. Carol Regnier at (517) 373-2949. If your questions pertain to the Project's purpose or intent, please contact the project manager listed in the RFP.

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