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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Thomas D. Watkins, Jr.

DATE: November 26, 2002

SUBJECT: Approval of Interim Allocation Formula for Migrant Education Programs

In March 1999, the State Board of Education approved an allocation formula for migrant education programs using a formula developed in accordance with the federal guidance for Title I, Part C, Public Law 103-382. The factors for that allocation formula included total number of migrant students counted in Michigan and numbers of students served by type of service.

Public Law 107-110, No Child Left Behind, requires that the allocation formula be based on additional factors. The additional factors include: needs of migratory students; priority for service (number of children who have had their education interrupted during the regular school year and who score below proficient on the state assessments in reading and math); and the availability of other federal, state, and local funds.

In order to comply with the legislation, Department staff is gathering data on the following components: the needs of migratory children and the priority for service. These factors will be included in the formula that will be recommended to the State Board of Education for the 2003-2004 school year. Data currently exists to permit the staff to include the availability of other federal, state, and local funds in the interim allocation formula. This will permit allocations for the 2002-2003 regular and summer migrant programs to include this factor. The regular year allocation will be modified and the summer calculation will utilize the interim formula. Attachment A describes the details of the funding formula.

It is anticipated that a new funding formula will be ready for review by the State Board of Education in late Spring 2003 so that the awards for the 2003-2004 school year will be in full compliance with the new legislative requirements.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education approve the funding formula for migrant education program grants under Title I, Part C of Public Law 103-382 as described in Attachment A to the Superintendent's memorandum dated November 26, 2002.

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**Michigan Department of Education
Migrant Education Interim Funding Formula
Title I, Part C, Public Law 103-382 Funds**

- First, funds are set aside for administration, special statewide projects, and emergency situations (i.e., 2 – 3% to be used for emergency district needs). Then 50% of the remaining allocation is distributed to regular school year migrant programs and 50% is distributed to summer session migrant programs.
- Regular school year funds are distributed to districts based upon the number of eligible students served during the previous school year. Seventy percent of the funds are distributed based on enrollment; the remaining 30% is distributed based on the number of students in each of three last qualifying move (LQM) categories (0-12 months, 13-24 months, and 25-36 months).
- Summer session funds are distributed to districts based upon the number of eligible students served during the previous summer session. First, a portion of the summer funds (\$100 per student in 2001 – 2002) is allocated for students receiving HOME packet instruction. Then the remaining summer funds are distributed according to the same formula as used for the regular school year – i.e., 70% of the funds are distributed based on enrollment; the remaining 30% is distributed based on the number of students in each of the three last qualifying move (LQM) categories (0-12 months, 13-24 months, and 25-36 months).
- *The “availability of other funds” component allows for an additional 1% of the district’s aggregate amount of migrant funds to be awarded for each program if the LEA participates in the following programs: Title III (when implemented), Migrant Even Start Program, McKinney-Vento, Neglected and Delinquent Children, At-Risk Student Program, In-Camp Aid Support Program, and Section 41, Special Basic Needs of Students. The funds will be awarded with the summer allocation for the 2003 Summer program based on the federal and state programs utilized by the LEA during the 2002-03 school year.*

(Italicized section is new to the allocation formula.)