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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 24, 2019

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

FROM: Dr. Scott M. Koenigsknecht, Deputy Superintendent P-20 System and Student Transitions

SUBJECT: Workshop for New Early Middle College Schools and Programs

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) and the Michigan Early Middle College Association (MEMCA) are excited to offer a second Getting Started Workshop on February 22, 2019 from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. for those districts and public-school academies that are interested in opening a new Early Middle College (EMC) in the fall of 2020. It will be held at the Mott Community College Event Center, 1401 East Court Street, Flint, Michigan 48503. This workshop helps to accomplish Michigan's Top 10 in 10 Strategic Goal 6 of creating a strong alignment and partnership with job providers, community colleges, and higher education to assure a prepared and quality future workforce, and informed and responsible citizens.

All new, current, and those in the planning phase, are welcome to attend the workshop. The MDE, MEMCA, and Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI) staff will be on hand to share the benefits, various models, and reporting requirements for EMCs in Michigan. The agenda may be viewed at the registration website listed below.

Please note, seating is limited. Registrations will be accepted for up to <u>five</u> registrants per district, on a first-come, first-served basis. There will be no onsite registration for this event. The registration fee is \$50.

Registration for the Getting Started Workshop will close at midnight on **February 8**, **2019**; please use this link to <u>register</u>. Individuals requiring additional services may contact Diane Weeks at <u>dweeks@geneseeisd.org</u> with your request.

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A block of rooms has been reserved at the Holiday Inn Gateway Center under the name of "Early Middle College" for Thursday, February 21, 2019. To make a room reservation, please contact the Holiday Inn Gateway Center directly at 810-232-5300.

If you have questions regarding EMCs, please visit our website at <u>MDE - EarlyMiddle</u> <u>College</u>. For questions regarding the workshops, please contact Lisa Seigel, Early Middle College Specialist, at 517-241-2072 or by email at <u>seigelL@michigan.gov</u>.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance