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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 2, 2020

TO: Michigan Educational Grant System Plus (MEGS+) Authorized Officials,
Agencies Eligible for Section 41 Bilingual Grant

FROM: Dr. Paula Y. Daniels 
Director, Office of Educational Supports

SUBJECT: State Section 41 Bilingual Education Grant Information

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is pleased to inform you the State Section 41 Bilingual Education Grant is available in MEGS+.

Eligible students must be English Learners who have been assessed using the WIDA ACCESS for ELLs or WIDA Alternate ACCESS with a composite score of 3.9 or lower.

For each eligible student identified, the proposed amount per student is \$900 (1.9 or less); \$620 (2.0-2.9), and; \$100 (3.0-3.9). Because the number of eligible students exceeds the funds available, MDE has pro-rated the allocation amount per student to \$481 (1.9 or less), \$332 (2.0-2.9), and \$53 (3.0-3.9) per student (amounts may vary due to rounding). The count of students, found on the "Student Counts" page of the application, was provided by the Office of Assessment and Accountability based on the larger of the two counts of scores earned in WIDA ACCESS for ELLs or WIDA Alternate ACCESS test window (Spring 2019 or Spring 2020).

After MDE releases the preliminary allocations, LEAs can submit a plan description and estimated budget for the 2020-2021 Section 41 Bilingual Education Grant application in MEGS+. The preliminary grant application is due no later than Friday, **October 23, 2020**, to allow calculation of the final allocation by November 1, 2020. *If your agency has determined it will not accept the funding provided by this grant program and does not submit the application by **October 23, 2020**, it will **not** be considered for funding. **Funds not requested will be redistributed during the final allocation calculation.***

A Section 41 Bilingual Grant Report is required each program year. This report is due to MDE no later than July 15. Failure to submit this report will result in loss of funds to the LEA in the subsequent program year.

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Please direct questions regarding the Section 41 Bilingual Education Grant to Kelly Alvarez, Title III Consultant, Office of Education Supports at 517-241-5392 or by e-mail at Alvarezk@michigan.gov or Michelle Williams, Manager, Special Populations Unit, at Williamsm48@michigan.gov or by phone at 517-241-6977.

Questions regarding the MEGS+ application may be directed to Tammy Franks, Departmental Analyst, at FranksT1@michigan.gov or by phone at 517-335-0352.

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