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MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 24, 2017

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

FROM: Sheila A. Alles 
Chief Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: Early Literacy (K-3) Additional Instructional Time Grant Opportunity

As a part of the State 2017-2018 school aid appropriations (PA 108 of 2017 Sec. 35a), the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is releasing one (1) grant that is intended to increase student achievement in early literacy. The grant covers the following area:

- [Additional Instructional Time](#)
 - Section 35a(5) of the FY 2017 State School Aid Act provides \$20,900,000 to districts for additional instructional time to pupils in grades K-3 who have been identified as needing additional supports and interventions in order to be reading at grade level by the end of grade 3.
 - Per pupil funding for 2017-2018 is based on the number of eligible first graders determined by end of school year 2016-2017 count so the grant award amount may vary from your previous award.

The application for the Additional Instructional Time grant will be available for Local Educational Agencies and eligible parties on August 24, 2017 with a deadline to apply for the first round by September 22, 2017. You can find the application and background information at www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-28753_74161---_00.html.

If you have questions regarding this communication or the grant, please contact MDE-EarlyLiteracy@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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