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DATE: June 27, 2019

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents

Public School Academy Directors

FROM: Venessa A. Keesler, Ph.D., Deputy Superintendent

Division of Educator, Student, and School Support

SUBJECT: Free Professional Development Opportunities for

Education Professionals Offered This Summer Through REMC Association

The <u>Regional Educational Media Centers Association of Michigan (REMC)</u> is offering two summer learning series for education professionals. The Apple Professional Learning Series and the Virtual Courses offer free registration and free State Continuing Clock Hours (SCECHs) upon course completion.

These professional development classes align with Michigan's Top 10 in 10, Goal 3: Develop, support, and sustain a high-quality, prepared, and collaborative education workforce.

Apple Professional Learning Series

The REMC Apple Professional Learning Series 2019 offers educators a variety of learning opportunities that leverage the use of iPads, Apple resources, and using Swift for app development.

Courses include: Teach App Development with Swift; Everyone Can Create - Ignite Creativity with iPad; Strengthening Literacy Skills with iPads; and Bring Coding to Your School with iPad.

Courses are offered in Ann Arbor, Grand Rapids, and Mason. <u>Additional details are</u> available here.

Participants may register for one, two, or three sessions across the three locations. All sessions are two days in length. There is no cost for the sessions and SCECHs are free. Lunch is provided each day.

Register for the Apple Professional Learning Series here.

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Virtual Courses

REMC's Virtual Courses provide a convenient way for education professionals to learn and collaborate while reducing the time and expense of traveling to a seminar or workshop.

Seven courses are offered in July and seven additional courses in August. Each course is open for three weeks and consists of two (2) one-hour webinars and four to eight hours of resource review, assessment developments, and written reflection. See July and August course offerings here.

Beginning July 1, all REMC Virtual Courses have been revised to offer 10 free SCECHS upon successful completion. All Virtual Courses are open to all Michigan school personnel. There are no registration or SCECHs fees.

Register for the Virtual Courses here.

If you have questions or need further assistance with your course registration, please contact REMC's Erin Rommeck at erinrommeck@remc.org.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance