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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Local School District Superintendents  
Public School Academy Directors

FROM: Natasha Baker *N Baker*  
Deputy Superintendent of Education Services and  
State School Reform Officer

SUBJECT: Application for State School Aid Section 99(b) Professional  
Development Support for Teachers in Science, Technology,  
Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Instruction

The State School Aid Act Section 99(b) Professional Development (PD) Support for Teachers in STEM Instruction, has allocated \$330,000 for 2014-2015 to districts to support teacher professional development in STEM instruction utilizing training programs approved by the Michigan Department of Education (MDE). Funds awarded cannot exceed \$3,200 per participant.

We are inviting all Local Education Agencies and Public School Academies that wish to apply to review the approved professional development list and submit an application in MEGS+. An interested district must complete the following steps:

- 1) Access the Section 99(b) Application, approved PD provider list, and other instructional documents at <http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-5236-343832--,00.html>.
- 2) After reviewing the approved PD provider list and instructional materials, complete the application, which is available as a Microsoft Excel document.
- 3) The application must be uploaded into MEGS+ at <https://mdoe.state.mi.us/MEGSPPlus/> between the dates of February 2, 2015 and February 16, 2015. Further instructions on this process are available at the Section 99(b) website referenced above.

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cc: Michigan Education Alliance