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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Intermediate and Local School District Superintendents  
Public School Academy Administrators, and  
Public School Academy Authorizers

FROM: Carol L. Wolenberg *Carol*  
Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: Alternate Count Date Clarification

The Department issued a memorandum dated February 8, 2010, in anticipation of a snowstorm on February 10, 2010, (the regularly scheduled Supplemental Count Date) that granted a waiver for an alternate count date to districts that were not in session on February 10, 2010, due to the storm. This memorandum is to provide additional clarification of the alternate count date policy.

Districts using February 11, 2010, as their alternate count date may count pupils who enrolled and attended on February 11, 2010, provided that the pupils were not counted by another district on February 10, 2010. Districts with an alternate count date later than February 11, 2010, may count pupils who enrolled and attended on their alternate count date provided that the parent(s) sign a Parental Affidavit stating that they would have enrolled on February 10, 2011, but were unable to do so because of the school closure and provided that the pupils were not counted by another district on February 10, 2010 or February 11, 2010.

Further questions or concerns related to this issue may be referred to JoEllen Wonsey at [WonseyJ@michigan.gov](mailto:WonseyJ@michigan.gov).

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