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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 16, 2017

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents
Public School Academy Directors and Authorizers
Career and Technical Education Administrators

FROM: Susan Broman, Deputy Superintendent *SB*
P-20 System and Student Transitions

SUBJECT: Grant Funding Available for Career and Technical Education Innovation
and Equipment

Section 61c(7) of the State School Aid Act, P.A. 94 of 1979, as amended, provides a competitive grant in the amount of \$5,000,000 to be used for career and technical educations (CTE) programs for equipment and innovative programming that will help to develop and sustain partnerships between education, business, and industry.

To be eligible for funding under this section, you must be a local district, intermediate school district, or consortia of districts and intermediate districts. The priorities of the grant are to:

- Identify and verify local high-wage, high-skill, high-demand job opportunities using state and regional business, workforce, and labor market information.
- Increase career option awareness of Michigan middle and high school students, adult learners, parents, teachers, and counselors.
- Continue to leverage partnerships with business and industry that increase work-based learning, apprenticeships, teacher/counselor externships, or a combination of these.
- Align high school, adult education, community college, and postsecondary curriculum to focus on attainment of career goals.
- Demonstrate how the grant funds can be used to share state-purchased assets.
- Expand availability of CTE-type training for remote and other geographically disadvantaged students.
- Demonstrate a commitment of local or regional partners that will assist in sustaining this initiative beyond the initial grant funding.

Grants will be made available to districts, intermediate school districts, or consortia of districts and intermediate districts, in partnership with high schools, early/middle colleges, public community colleges or universities, and business and industry. Use this link to access the application and instructions: [61c7 Competitive Grant Application](#). Make a PDF of the entire application package and submit electronically to Jackie Martinez at martinezj9@michigan.gov **no later than 5:00 p.m. Monday, December 11, 2017**. Late applications will not be considered for review.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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