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MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 8, 2017

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

FROM: Sheila A. Alles 
Chief Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: Carryover of Early Literacy Grant Funds

As a part of the State 2016-2017 school aid appropriations (PA 249 of 2016 Sec. 35a), the State Legislature has set aside grant funds for the following areas that are eligible for carryover:

- Additional Instructional Time – Section 35a(5) provides \$17,500,000 to districts for additional instructional time to pupils in grades K-3 who have been identified as needing additional supports and interventions to be reading at grade level by the end of grade 3.
- Intermediate School District (ISD) Literacy Coaches – Section 35a(4) provides \$3,000,000 for early literacy coaches at ISDs to assist teachers in developing and implementing instructional strategies for pupils in grades K-3 so that pupils are reading at grade level by the end of grade 3.

Districts, Public School Academies, or ISDs that have received these grants and are unable to expend the funds by September 30, 2017 are eligible to carryover those funds until September 30, 2018. Grant awardees must provide notification to the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) in writing no later than October 31, 2017 if they intend to carryover the funds into the next fiscal year. Carryover notification should be emailed to: MDE-EarlyLiteracy@michigan.gov. Any carryover funds that have not be expended by September 30, 2018 will be returned to the MDE no later than September 30, 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact MDE-EarlyLiteracy@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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