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## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** January 28, 2016

**TO:** Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents

**Public School Academy Directors** 

FROM: Norma Jean Sass

Deputy Superintendent, Education Services

**SUBJECT:** The Cyber Innovation Center's Resource Show Case

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE), Office of Education Improvement and Innovation (OEII) would like to invite you to attend the Cyber Innovation Center's (CIC) Resource Showcase. The event will be held on Thursday, February 11, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Aeronautics Building, 2700 Port Lansing Road, Lansing, MI. (Hint: Turn right off Capitol City Blvd. just after railroad tracks)

The CIC, in partnership with the MDE, and the Department of Technology Management and Budget (DTMB) will be offering a one-day professional development session for K-12 educators and administrators. This session will showcase robust Cyber and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) curricula developed by the CIC's team of university faculty, master teachers, and subject matter experts. The Department of Homeland Security has identified the CIC as the national model for cyber education, thus allowing free access to curricula threads including: Cyber Literacy, Cyber Science, Physics, Advanced Math, Computer Science, and much more. This curricula is being taught by thousands of teachers across the country.

Teachers are the key to systemic and sustainable change in education. During this informational session, teachers will gain hands-on experience with curricula, projects, and technology that provide new and innovative ways to engage their students. This transformation will provide greater opportunities for learning, as well as introduce students to potential Cyber and STEM career fields.

To register for this free event, visit <a href="http://goo.gl/forms/ti6q4YABRS">http://goo.gl/forms/ti6q4YABRS</a>. An informational flyer and additional information can be found at <a href="http://www.techplan.org/professional-development/">http://www.techplan.org/professional-development/</a>. For questions, please contact Amanda Stoel, <a href="mailto:stoela@michigan.gov">stoela@michigan.gov</a> or by phone at 517-241-3629.

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