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MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Venessa A. Keesler, Ph.D. 
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SUBJECT: Whole School Technology Transformation Pilot School Selection

On November 22, 2013, the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) announced that Genesee Intermediate School District (GISD) was awarded the \$5 million Whole School Technology Grant. This grant will provide the state with the ability to study the total cost and impact of providing full-on, digital access to personalized learning opportunities for more than 5,000 students across the state.

As part of the grant, GISD was required to develop a blind criteria selection process to select a minimum of five whole-school technology transformations at economically and geographically diverse sites. GISD completed a rigorous criteria selection process by using data provided by the MDE, MiSchoolData, and the Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI). The data were used to ensure diversity in the following ways:

- Sites representing different census designations (city, suburb, town, and rural)
- Sites representing different free/reduced lunch percentages (high to low)
- Sites representing different grade levels (elementary, middle, and high)
- Sites from different Intermediate School Districts (ISDs)

This rigorous process was reviewed by the MDE's internal auditor and is now complete. The MDE is pleased to announce the schools selected for the Whole School Technology Pilot. The list is attached.

If you have questions, please email or call Amanda Stoel at (517) 241-3629 (stoela@michigan.gov) in the Educational Technology Unit of the Office of Education Improvement and Innovation.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

Attachment

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**Section 22i: Whole School Technology Transformation Pilot
Selected Schools**

Schools	District
Pine Trails Elementary School	Allegan Public Schools
Ann J. Kellogg Elementary- Battle Creek Public	Battle Creek Public Schools
Bentley Community Schools - High	Bentley Community Schools
Benton Harbor High School	Benton Harbor Area Schools
Belle Ann Elementary	Brandon School District
Charlevoix Middle/High School	Charlevoix Public Schools
Cornerstone Elementary School	Dexter Community Schools
Lake City Middle School	Lake City Area Schools
Manton Elementary School	Manton Consolidated Schools
Meridian Early College High School	Meridian Public Schools
Pentwater Public Schools	Pentwater Public Schools
Schoolcraft High School	Schoolcraft Community Schools
Swan Valley Middle School	Swan Valley School District
Webberville High School	Webberville Community Schools