MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 16, 2020

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

FROM: Dr. Scott M. Koenigsknecht, Deputy Superintendent
P-20 System and Student Transitions

SUBJECT: EMC Requirements During COVID-19 Closure

The governor has ordered the closure of all schools in the state as of
This includes all Early Middle College (EMC) programs directly run by ISDs and based
in local education agencies. Dual enrollment courses held on college campuses are at
the discretion of the ISD, local school district and postsecondary provider.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) have been developed and posted to the OCTE
website (also attached) to clarify EMC requirements during this unprecedented
situation. The FAQs on the OCTE website will be updated as necessary, as the
situation evolves.

For questions regarding this memo, please contact Lisa Seigel, Education Consultant
at seigell@michigan.gov.

Attachment

cc: Michigan Education Alliance
This Question and Answer document is specific to the period of time while school districts are closed due to COVID-19.

1. Are Early Middle College students permitted to participate in dual enrollment courses?

   Districts will need to evaluate their situation as it relates to the governor’s Executive Order EO 2020-05 effective March 16, 2020. If the postsecondary course was offered at a K-12 building, then item #2 from the Executive Order would require the program to close or be offered at a different location. If the class has more than 250 students at a postsecondary site, then it would be in violation of item #1 in the Executive Order and could not be held.

2. Are districts permitted to carry over Section 61b funds?

   Yes.

3. Are EMC students permitted to participate in work-based learning?

   See MDE CTE Question and Answer document posted to the MDE website on March 16.