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MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 26, 2016

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

FROM: Norma Jean Sass 
Chief Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: Early Literacy Additional Instructional Time Grant Funds

As a part of the State 2015-2016 school aid appropriations (PA 85 of 2015 Sec. 35a), the State Legislature set aside grant funds to provide for additional instructional time for pupils in grades K-3 who are identified as needing additional supports and interventions in order to be reading at grade level by the end of grade 3. However, the grant application for these funds has been available to local districts for nearly 8 months. The grant was suspended on May 20, 2016 due to lack of participation. All applications that were received through 5:00pm on Friday, May 20, 2016 will be processed and included in the June 20, 2016 State Aid Payment. No other applications will be accepted for this grant.

Information related to the continuation of the Early Literacy Grant opportunities will be made when the State 2017 fiscal year budget is finalized.

If you have any questions regarding the Early Literacy Additional Instructional Time Grant, please contact MDE-EarlyLiteracy@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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