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MEMORANDUM

TO: Local Education Agency Principals, Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents, and Public School Academy Directors

FROM: Sally Vaughn, Ph.D. *Sally*
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SUBJECT: Michigan Department of Education (MDE) Fall 2012 School Improvement Conference

The Michigan Department of Education, Office of Education Improvement and Innovation, will sponsor the Fall 2012 School Improvement Conference on November 8-9, 2012, at the Lansing Center, Lansing, Michigan. The pre-conference workshop will be held on Thursday, November 8, 2012, from 4:00-7:00 p.m. The full-day conference will be take place on Friday, November 9, 2012, from 8:30-4:00 p.m.

This year's conference theme is "Culture...Transformation...Turnaround" and will include a keynote address by Milken National Educator, internationally-renowned speaker and author of Motivating Black Males to Achieve in School and in Life, Principal Baruti Kafele. In addition, participants will receive a preview of the next generation of school improvement tools, the AdvancED System of School Improvement Support Tools (ASSIST) platform, and the streamlining of district and school reporting.

If you have specific questions pertaining to this conference, please contact Diane Joslin-Gould at Joslin-GouldD@michigan.gov. Conference registration and information is available through the Michigan Institute for Educational Management's (MIEM) website at www.gomiem.org.

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