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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 20, 2016

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

FROM: Norma Jean Sass 
Chief Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: Clarification on Early Literacy Grant Section Numbers and Grant Codes

As a part of the State 2016-2017 school aid appropriations (PA 249 of 2016 Sec. 35a), the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) announced on August 18, 2016 and September 29, 2016 the release of two (2) grants that are intended to increase student achievement in early literacy.

A section of 35a was repealed for 2016-17, therefore, all the Early Literacy grant section numbers shifted up one number.

- Additional Instructional Time and Interventions – In 2015-16 was Section 35a(6) and in 2016-17 is now Section 35a(5) with a grant code of 366. This grant provides \$17,500,000 to districts for additional instructional time to pupils in grades K-3 who have been identified as needing additional supports and interventions to be reading at grade level by the end of grade 3.
- ISD Literacy Coaches – In 2015-16 was Section 35a(5) and in 2016-17 is now Section 35a(4) with a grant code of 365. This grant provides \$3,000,000 for early literacy coaches at ISDs to assist teachers in developing and implementing instructional strategies for pupils in grades K-3 so that pupils are reading at grade level by the end of grade 3.

The updated Account Codes for State School Aid Revenues can be found at:
http://www.michigan.gov/documents/saacct03_45776_7.pdf.

If you have any questions, please contact MDE-EarlyLiteracy@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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