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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 22, 2020

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

FROM: Venessa A. Keesler, Ph.D., Deputy Superintendent
Division of Educator, Student, and School Supports 

SUBJECT: Interim Certification Guidance Provided to Michigan Alternative Route to Certification Providers to Assist Educators During the COVID-19 Crisis

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) has issued guidance to the state's alternative route to certification educator preparation providers to implement Governor Whitmer's [Executive Order 2020-35](#) and provide clarification to classroom teaching requirements for individuals seeking the interim teaching certificate during this time of mandatory school closure. This guidance can be found here http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/AltRoute_InterimCerts_688105_7.pdf.

If you have questions, please contact Leah Breen at BreenL1@Michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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