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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents

Public School Academy Directors

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Supports

SUBJECT: Educator Evaluation Data Appeals Information Update

The purpose of this communication is to provide an update on the availability of a new label for the 2015-2016 educator evaluation data collection as part of the current appeals window for the five most recent years of teacher evaluation data in the Registry of Educational Personnel (REP).

Districts may now view and select one of five labels in the REP for the 2015-2016 school year: highly effective, effective, minimally effective, ineffective, and not applicable. The "not applicable" label has been made available due to changes in educator evaluation requirements made by Public Act 173 of 2015 and Public Act 170 of 2016 in the middle of the 2015-2016 school year.

The "not applicable" label is ONLY available for the 2015-2016 school year because that is the only reporting year in which the statutory requirements were changed mid-year. Because of the timing of the statutory changes, some districts were required to enter an evaluation label in the 2015-2016 year-end REP data collection for certificate holders who were not required to be evaluated under 380.249. The addition of the "not applicable" label will allow these districts to accurately reflect the evaluation status of these certificate holders.

The data appeals window will be open through **December 1**st, **2016.** For additional information on educator evaluations, including the data appeals window, please see www.michigan.gov/mde-edevals or send questions to MDE-EdEvals@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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