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**MEMORANDUM**

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

FROM: Sally Vaughn, Ph.D. *Sally*  
Deputy Superintendent/Chief Academic Officer

SUBJECT: Title IIA Capacity Building Grant Announcement

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is reopening the application for the 2012-2013 Title II, Part A Statewide Technical Assistance/Capacity Building Competitive Grant Program beginning April 11, 2013. The grant is intended to support public school districts and public school academies in developing their capacities through professional development to initiate, implement, sustain, and evaluate innovative models of effective teaching practices that achieve "any time, any place, any way, any pace" learning.

The U.S. Congress, through the U.S. Department of Education, provides the MDE with Title IIA statewide activity funds to conduct professional development activities in support of the Title IIA program goals. To this end, the MDE intends to award up to \$1.2 million in Title IIA statewide activity funds for the purpose of establishing one or more capacity building initiatives to provide this assistance.

Intermediate school districts (ISD) partnering with at least one public school district and/or public school academy, and organizations in partnership with at least one ISD and at least one public school district and/or public school academy are eligible to apply. Added consideration will be given to applicants who applied in the previous round and those that propose external partnerships and articulate plans for sustainability beyond grant funding.

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MDE staff will provide additional information on this grant through an informational webinar:

Title IIA Grant Informational Webinar  
date and time include:

9:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 17, 2013

The webinar can be accessed through Adobe Connect®:  
<http://remc.adobeconnect.com/titleIIa>

The audio conference will be accessible through the following number:  
Call-in Number: 215-861-0692, access code: 8828859#

For more information, please review the revised Request for Proposal and rubric, available at:

[http://www.techplan.org/downloads/all\\_user\\_files/revisedtitleiiagrant4-10-13\\_20130410\\_102745\\_1.pdf](http://www.techplan.org/downloads/all_user_files/revisedtitleiiagrant4-10-13_20130410_102745_1.pdf)

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