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MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Venessa A. Keesler, Ph.D. *V. Keesler*
Deputy Superintendent, Education Services

SUBJECT: Section 99h, For the Inspiration and Support of Technology (FIRST)
Robotics Grants

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) invites applicants for the 2013-2014 Section 99h, FIRST Robotics Grant. FIRST is a national program and is available to 7-12 grade students. Three million dollars in funding for this grant program has been made available from FY2013 State School Aid, P.A. 60. All public school districts and public school academies in the State of Michigan are eligible to apply. Intermediate School Districts (ISDs) that enroll full-time students at the ISD are eligible to apply as well. State law prevents the use of State Aid funds for non-public school participation.

For more information regarding the grant program, and to access the Request for Proposal, please click on this link <http://tinyurl.com/99hFirstRobotics>. If you have any questions please email or call Ann-Marie Smith (smitha24@michigan.gov) in the Educational Technology Unit in the Office of Education Improvement and Innovation at (517) 335-2775.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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