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**MEMORANDUM**

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

FROM: Natasha Baker *N Baker*  
Deputy Superintendent of Education Services and  
State School Reform Officer

SUBJECT: Technology Readiness Infrastructure Grant (TRIG) District  
Participation Award Allocations

I am pleased to announce that the Michigan Department of Education (MDE), Office of Education Improvement and Innovation (OEII), has awarded the TRIG District Participation awards to 759 districts across the state. A list of recipients can be found at <http://www.techplan.org/technology-readiness/>. TRIG District Participants will receive ten dollars per the district's 2013 Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI) full-time equivalency (FTE) pupil count. These awards will support building the capacity of educators at intermediate school districts, public school districts, and public school academies to effectively plan and implement online assessments and "Any Time, Any Place, Any Way, Any Pace" learning.

The 2014-15 award will **NOT** be allocated via the State Aid Management System (SAMs). Awards will now be accessed through the Cash Management System (CMS). All grantees are required to request funds, as needed, to reimburse for expenditures incurred by the program. Requests for funds can be made by selecting "Requesting Funds for a Project (DS-4492)" in the CMS at <https://mdoe.state.mi.us/cms/>. Payment to the grantee is made through the MDE, Office of Financial Management.

Participation funds must be spent for technology readiness efforts, such as:

- Online/Digital Assessment, including universal diagnostic screening tools,
- In-building wireless connectivity,
- Network services (e.g. additional bandwidth, content filtering),
- Computer/device purchasing,
- Technology readiness for instruction and data collaborations that support online assessment readiness.

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Congratulations on a successful application. For more information on the TRIG District Participation awards, please contact Amanda Stoel at [StoelA@michigan.gov](mailto:StoelA@michigan.gov) or by phone at (517) 241-3629.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance