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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 12, 2018

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

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

SUBJECT: Request for Proposals – 2018 Title II, Part A Teacher and Leader
Instruction Support Competitive Grants Program

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is authorized to award approximately \$2,000,000 for the Title II, Part A, Teacher and Leader Instruction Competitive Grants Program. This grant aligns with Strategic Goal 3 of the Top 10 in 10: Develop, support, and sustain a high-quality, prepared, and collaborative education workforce.

The focus of this request for applications is on the provision of administering high-impact, evidence-based supports for educators to improve instruction and leadership, particularly in districts and other educational settings where there are multiple factors impeding the delivery of effective instruction. These grants are available to local education agencies (LEAs) and public school academies to help develop and sustain a high-quality, prepared, and collaborative education workforce. Please pay special attention to the priorities and funding criteria in the application package.

The purpose of these grants is to (1) increase student achievement consistent with the challenging State academic standards, (2) improve the quality and effectiveness of teachers, principals, and other school leaders, (3) increase the number of teachers, principals, and other school leaders who are effective in improving student academic achievement in schools, and (4) provide low-income and minority students greater access to effective teachers, principals, and other school leaders.

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Applications will be submitted through MEGS+ system. Guidelines and instructions for the Title II, Part A Teacher and Leader Instruction Support Competitive Grant Program are located on the MDE website at <https://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-5236-315600--,00.html>.

Deadline for Submitting Grant Application: **August 10, 2018, 11:59 p.m.**

Application Available: **July 20, 2018**

Estimated Available Funds: **\$2,200,000**

Estimated Range of Awards: **Up to \$2,000 (average) per educator served**

Estimated Number of Awards: **5-200**

Project Period: **Project period runs from August 30, 2018 through September 30, 2019.**

Budget Period: **Up to 13 months**

A technical assistance webinar will be hosted on July 19, 2018 at 10:00 AM. To participate in the webinar please navigate to: <https://educatortalent.adobeconnect.com/title2a/>.

If you have questions regarding this information or other aspects of this grant program, please contact the Office of Educator Excellence at: emmerlingr@michigan.gov or 517-241-3384.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance