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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** May 11, 2020  
**TO:** Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents  
Public School Academy Directors  
**FROM:** Dr. Scott M. Koenigs knecht, Deputy Superintendent P-20 System and Student Transitions *SK*  
**SUBJECT:** **UPDATED** Early Middle College (EMC) Requirements FAQ During COVID-19 Closure – Memo #COVID-19-052

The governor has ordered the closure of all in-person K-12 instruction for the remainder of the school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This is an update to the EMC required closure [MEMO#COVID-19-037 UPDATED Early Middle College Requirements FAQ During COVID-19 Closure](#).

These frequently asked questions (FAQ) will be posted to the [OCTE website](#) under **COVID-19 Early Middle Colleges**, in addition to the [MDE website](#) (Guidance Memos) to clarify career and technical education (CTE) EMC requirements during this unprecedented situation. This FAQ will continue to be updated as necessary. The following questions have been updated:

Document	Question(s)
MDE EMC FAQ	3 & 7

For questions regarding this memo, please contact Lisa Seigel, Education Consultant at [SeigelL@michigan.gov](mailto:SeigelL@michigan.gov).

Attachment

cc: Michigan Education Alliance  
Confederation of Michigan Tribal Education Directors

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3. Are districts permitted to carry over 2019-2020 Section 61b formula funds?

Yes. An ISD may carry over 2019-2020 Section 61b formula funds to 2020-2021 but must request by November 30, 2020. To carry over the funds, please contact Joan Church at [Churchj@michigan.gov](mailto:Churchj@michigan.gov).

7. Due to the governor's executive order to end all in-person instruction, our CTE EMC (and/or CTE Dual Enrolled) students were unable to complete the content of their second (or third) semester. Will the 2019-20 Section 61b funds be recaptured for this reason?

No. Section 61b funds will not be recaptured for inability to complete the content of CTE EMC or CTE dual enrollment courses due to the school closure. However, if it is determined that there were CTEIS reporting errors, or if a CTE EMC student was not coded 3500 (Early Middle College Participating), a Section 61b recapture may still be necessary, as in previous years.