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MEMORANDUM

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

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

SUBJECT: Waiver of Title I Supplemental Educational Services Requirements Now Available

The U.S. Department of Education (USED) has approved the Michigan Department of Education's (MDE) request to allow local education agencies (LEAs) to offer Supplemental Educational Services (SES), in addition to Public School Choice, to eligible students in Title I schools in the first year of identification for school improvement.

LEAs may apply for a waiver allowing schools in the first year of improvement (Adequate Yearly Progress Phase 1) to offer SES, in addition to Public School Choice, and pay for both out of the 20% obligation. Without the waiver, Title I schools in the first year of Improvement may only use the 20% obligation to pay for Public School Choice.

Waiver Request Procedure:

- Waiver requests are submitted via the Michigan Electronic Grants System (MEGS) by the district's Level 5 authorized official.
 1. In the MEGS Main Menu under Additional Functions select "Certification Menu"
 2. On the Certification Menu under Certifications to be submitted, choose the "Waiver to Allow SES in Title I Schools Identified for Improvement - Year One (AKA Phase 1)."
 3. Complete the waiver request and click on "Submit."

Important:

- This waiver request is automatically approved by MDE at the instance it is submitted. LEAs should not expect any further communication from MDE unless there are technical issues or irregularities with the request.
- The submission of a waiver request indicates the district's agreement to abide by and follow all assurances as detailed in that request.

Questions may be directed to Greg Olszta or Bill Witt at 517-335-4733 or by e-mail at mde-ses@michigan.gov.

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