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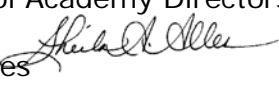
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 14, 2017

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

FROM: Sheila A. Alles 
Chief Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: Section 99K – Cybersecurity Competition Event Grant

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is pleased to announce the availability of the Section 99k – Cybersecurity Competition Event Grant. The purpose of the grant is to provide pupils in grades 6-12 with expanded opportunities to improve computer science skills by participating in cybersecurity competitive events. The intent of the grant funding is to increase the number of pupils demonstrating proficiency in science and mathematics on the state assessment and to increase the number of pupils who are college and career ready upon high school graduation. This grant supports the MDE's Top 10 in 10 goals two, three, four, and six through several key activities.

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. A total of \$500,000 in funding for this grant has been made available from the 2017 State School Aid, P.A. 108 for public schools. The grant requirements and structure can be found in the Request for Proposal (RFP) at <http://www.techplan.org/rdi/cybersecurity-grant/>.

The grant application will be made available in the Michigan Electronic Grants System Plus (MEGS+). The application is tentatively scheduled for release on September 21, 2017. A technical assistance webinar is scheduled for September 26, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. The webinar URL is <http://remc.adobeconnect.com/first-ta/> and the audio dial-in phone number is 1-888-808-6929, access code 8105360.

For more information regarding the grant program visit <http://www.techplan.org/rdi/cybersecurity-grant/>. If you have any questions please email or call Amanda Stoel (stoela@michigan.gov), Department Analyst in the Educational Technology Unit with the Office of P-20 Data and Information Management at (517) 241-3629.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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