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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 20, 2022

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

FROM: Dr. Scott M. Koenigsknecht, Deputy Superintendent 
P-20 System and Student Transitions

SUBJECT: Grant Opportunity for the 2022-2023 Nita M. Lowey 21st Century
Community Learning Centers Grant Program

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is pleased to announce the 2022-2023 Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) grant program opportunity.

The purpose of the 21st CCLC grant program is to create community learning centers for those times when school is not in session. Programs must provide students with academic enrichment opportunities as well as additional activities designed to complement their regular academic program.

Roughly \$5 million will be awarded through a competitive process to local education agencies (LEAs), both traditional public school districts and public school academies, community-based organizations (CBOs), faith-based organizations (FBOs), and other public or private entities, or a consortium of these entities to provide comprehensive community learning center services. Grants are awarded for a total of five years; however, they are renewed on an annual basis pending continued federal funding and positive grantee performance. The 21st CCLC grant program aligns with Michigan's Top 10 Strategic Education Plan mission and vision and supports multiple strategic education plan goals.

It is strongly encouraged that potential applicants participate in the application information webinar from 10:30 a.m. to noon on February 10, 2022 to determine if organizations qualify for the grant program and to understand all existing, new, and revised aspects of the process.

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A notice of intent to apply is required and must be submitted no later than March 3, 2022, to allow time for MDE staff to provide login and access information to the online application. Submission of this notice of intent is a prerequisite for this application. However, it does not obligate the organization to submit an application.

Applications are due by noon April 5, 2022. Links for the application information webinar, notice of intent to apply, and additional information regarding the 21st CCLC grant program can be found at www.michigan.gov/21stcclc.

Please direct any questions about this announcement to Stacy Ann Sipes, 21st CCLC departmental analyst, at sipess1@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance
Confederation of Michigan Tribal Education Directors