MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 15, 2015

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

FROM: Kyle L. Guerrant, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth Survey

The Michigan Profile for Healthy Youth (MiPHY) 2015-2016 survey cycle is now open and will continue through June 10, 2016. The MiPHY is an online student survey available every other year to all Michigan schools with grades 7, 9, or 11. The MiPHY provides student health behavior, risk and protective factor data for school-based, data-driven decision-making.

Buildings can register on the Michigan School Health Survey System at any time during the open cycle at www.michigan.gov/shs. The survey system and reports, developed by the Michigan Department of Education (MDE), are provided at no cost to schools. MiPHY reports accessed online through the Michigan School Health Survey System assist local efforts to reduce drug use, violence, and related problem behaviors, as well as promote healthy youth development.

The MiPHY:
- is endorsed by MDE and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services as the recommended survey for local assessment of student risk behaviors.
- is free of charge to districts. The no-cost survey system and reports allow more funds for direct services.
- is private. Student privacy is maintained through confidential, anonymous, and voluntary participation.
- is designed for local use and local-level decision-making. Reports are intended for use by districts and their community partners, with electronic access limited to personnel approved by the district superintendent or public school academy director.
- generates reports quickly. Buildings and districts can access results one to three business days after closing the survey, allowing time to identify needs and plan for adjustments in services.

For more information about the MiPHY, please visit www.michigan.gov/miphy or contact Nicole Kramer, Project Specialist, at kramern@michigan.gov or 517-373-4354.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance