MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 13, 2015

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

FROM: Norma Jean Sass, Deputy Superintendent, Education Services

SUBJECT: Career and Technical Education Early/Middle College funding available

The fiscal year 2016 State School Aid, Section 61(b)1, PA 85 of 2015 has $10,000,000 in new funding available. This formula grant is for intermediate school districts within each of the 10 Prosperity Regions, who have or would like to start an early/middle college with state-approved Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs. The purpose of these programs is to increase the number of Michigan residents with high-quality degrees or credentials, and to increase the number of students who are college and career ready upon high school graduation.

In order to be eligible to receive the funds, the intermediate school district must work in collaboration with the Talent District Career Council to determine the early/middle college programs to offer. There will be an informational webinar on Thursday, August 27, 2015, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Please confirm your participation to Jackie Martinez at martinezj9@michigan.gov or by calling 517-373-6452 no later than Monday, August 24, 2015.

The web page is located at: http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/61b_496501_7.pdf?20150811155453

If you have questions regarding the 61(b) funding, please contact Althanie Gardner at Gardnera10@michigan.gov or by calling 517-241-6443.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance