MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 8, 2015

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents
    Public School Academy Directors
    Local Education Agency Principals

FROM: Norma Jean Sass
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SUBJECT: Michigan Department of Education Fall 2015 School Improvement Conference

The Michigan Department of Education will sponsor the Fall 2015 School Improvement Conference November 16-17, 2015, at the Lansing Center, Lansing, Michigan.

This year’s conference theme is “The Faces of School Improvement: What do We Need to Support Student Success?” It will feature the producers and cast of First Generation, which tells the story of four high school students; an inner city athlete, a small town waitress, a Samoan warrior dancer, and the daughter of migrant field workers, who set out to break the poverty cycle and bring hope to their families and communities by pursuing a college education. For more information on First Generation, please visit: http://firstgenerationfilm.com/. Main conference topics and presentations include:

- Program Evaluation Tool: Digging Deeper
- Technology Planning Process
- Special Education
- AdvancED Updates: New Resources and Materials
- Practitioner Presentations featuring 2015/16 Title 1 Distinguished and Reward Schools
- National Presenters

If you have specific questions pertaining to this conference, please contact Diane Joslin-Gould at Joslin-GouldD@michigan.gov. Conference registration and information is available through the Michigan Institute for Educational Management’s (MIEM) website at https://miemonline.gomiem.org/miem/fallsiconference.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance