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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 1, 2018

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

FROM: Venessa A. Keesler, Ph.D., Deputy Superintendent 
Division of Educator, Student, and School Supports

SUBJECT: Innovative Educator Corps Grant Applications Available

Authorized by the Governor's Marshall Plan for Talent ([PA 227 of 2018](#)), the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) and Genesee ISD (GISD) announce the opening of applications for the Innovative Educator Corps (IEC).

The IEC is a new recognition program for Michigan teachers who employ an innovative educational program, methodology, or strategy to help prepare their students for future career success. **The IEC is a competitive application resulting in a \$5,000 stipend, paid annually for up to three total years, along with an additional \$5,000 stipend, also renewable for up to three total years, which will cover expenses related to the IEC member replicating, disseminating, or expanding the innovative program.**

Each local education agency (LEA) may nominate one teacher to apply to the IEC per application cycle. It is recommended that each LEA convene a committee of stakeholders to assist in the nomination process.

More information about the IEC and the application process can be found at:
<https://tinyurl.com/IEC2019>.

Annually, up to 100 educators will be named to the IEC. Only complete applications will be considered. Applications will be scored and the first IEC members will be named in December.

The application window for this cycle closes November 16, 2018 at midnight.

For questions or clarification on the application process, please contact Luke Wittum, Assistant Superintendent of Genesee Intermediate School District at lwittum@geneseeisd.org.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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