MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: MiRead Onboarding Individual Reading Improvement Plan Deadline Extension

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is pleased that the Michigan Data Hub is partnering with new districts to pilot the MiRead application during the 2019-20 school year. The MDE understands that onboarding of the MiRead application may delay some of those local districts' process of creating the official Individual Reading Improvement Plan (IRIP) for students and that this may impact the 30-day compliance of the Read by Grade 3 (MCL 380.1280f) legislation.

If the district can guarantee that students in kindergarten through grade three are assessed within the first 30 days of school and that instruction and intervention are not delayed during this time, it is acceptable for the official IRIP to be completed within 15 days of the statutory 30-day deadline. The districts onboarding MiRead must follow the intent of the law during this time by making sure that students who have demonstrated a reading deficiency receive the appropriate supports and that parents are notified of the plan to ensure literacy success.

If you have questions regarding this communication, please contact MDE-EarlyLiteracy@michigan.gov.