



Michigan Department of Education, Office of Special Education (OSE)

OSE Update

June 2018

What's New?

Alt-Shift

- The location for the **Start the Assistive Technology Journey** training on May 16 has been changed to the Dickinson-Iron Intermediate School District (ISD) Tech Center in Kingsford. Download the updated [Start the AT Journey flyer](http://bit.ly/ATJourney1DayFlyer) (bit.ly/ATJourney1DayFlyer) for more information.
- Accessible Materials Made Right course one of seven, called **Accessible Materials Made Right: Code and Foundations** is now live and available through [EduPaths](http://edupaths.org) (edupaths.org).
- [Foundations of Math implementation site applications](http://mi2.cenmi.org/professional-learning-opportunities/foundations-math/pilot-site-information) (http://mi2.cenmi.org/professional-learning-opportunities/foundations-math/pilot-site-information) are now available.
- The Alt+Shift Summer Institute will not be held this year. To support our mission to work collaboratively with sites toward impact and implementation, we will instead offer a Summer Retreat. The retreat, by invitation only, is for teams that are collaborating with us on accessible documents, mathematics instruction, and/or augmentative and alternative communication (AAC). Teams will engage in strategic planning to strengthen implementation efforts.

Early Childhood – Office of Great Start/Early Childhood Development and Family Education

Early On[®] - Part C of IDEA

- The FY 2018-2019 *Early On* estimated allocations are now available at the following link. https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/FY18-19_Estimated_Early_On_Allocations_623539_7.pdf The calculations are based on the 2018 estimated federal award and the 2014-2016 birth counts as of April 26, 2018.
- Public Reporting Data for Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) are now available. Federal regulations implementing the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act* (IDEA) at Section 303.702(b)(1)(i)(A) require public reporting on the performance of each early intervention program on the targets established in the State Performance Plan for each of the priority areas for Part C (Birth through age



2), *Early On* Michigan. Data may also be found on www.mischooldata.org by clicking "Download *Early On* (Part C) Public Report Spreadsheet" under "Special Education - Annual Public Reporting - SPP" then choosing "Special Education Summary" located in the top navigation menu.

- Specific questions regarding the *Early On* or infant/toddler content of the Public Report should be addressed to Vanessa Winborne at MDE-SPP-Public-Reporting@michigan.gov or 517-335-4865. If you have difficulty with the public reporting website, please email CEPI@michigan.gov.

Early Childhood – Office of Great Start/Preschool and Out-of-School Time Learning

Preschool Special Education, Section 619 of IDEA

- Data for the two preschool results indicators B-6: Educational Environments ages 3-5, and B-7: Preschool Child Outcomes were made available in the May Catamaran workbook. If your ISD/LEA is interested in exploring the data further, please contact Mark Kuipers at mkuipers@ccresa.org or Lisa Wasacz at wasaczl@michigan.gov to arrange training.
- Training for the Inclusive Classroom Profile (ICP) will take place in the fall. If you are interested in receiving training in this tool, please contact Mark Kuipers at mkuipers@ccresa.org or Lisa Wasacz at wasaczl@michigan.gov to indicate your interest. Our goal is to train at least one person per ISD by December 2018.
- Continuing with ICP, Mark and Lisa are seeking classrooms for inter-rater reliability on the use of the ICP tool. We are seeking a few classrooms around different regions of the state to minimize the impact of travel for interested individuals. If you have a classroom available October, November, and/or December please contact Mark Kuipers at mkuipers@ccresa.org or Lisa Wasacz at wasaczl@michigan.gov.

Data Collection

- The 2018 Public Reporting is now available at the MI School Data portal (www.mischooldata.org).

Michigan Alliance for Families

- Our Regional Parent Mentors have been increasingly busy this year, and in particular the last couple of months. The end of the school year is always a busy time for us, but we also attribute the increase of calls and activity to the great statewide marketing campaign designed to improve awareness of MAF.



- Jessie Morton will retire in July, after nearly 12 years with MAF. During her time with MAF, Jessie served as a regional parent mentor, a trainer, a staff support, and a member of our leadership team. Prior to joining MAF, Jessie spent many years with United Cerebral Palsy Detroit.

We will miss her vision, dedication, strength, and constant support. The entire MAF team wishes her much joy and happiness in her well-deserved retirement!

- Since the last MAASE meeting, the MAF offered 55 learning opportunities for parents, school staff, and professionals. MAF trainers conducted the majority of events, while our MDE-OSE grant initiative partners presented some, and some were in collaboration with other agencies and organizations. We are pleased to report attendance in the high 40s and 50s for some of our recent events.

Michigan Special Education Mediation Program (MSEMP)

- The MSEMP's new centralized intake process for its mediation and meeting facilitation services is receiving positive reviews. The MSEMP's intake coordinator, Laura Zangara, provides information to school personnel and parents about the mediation and facilitation processes and other available dispute resolution methods.

An overwhelming majority of those who completed evaluations say the intake process helped them know what to expect and be better prepared for their mediation sessions or facilitated individualized education program (IEP) meetings.

To learn more about mediation, contact Ms. Zangara at 1-833-KIDS1ST.

Michigan's Integrated Behavior and Learning Support Initiative (MIBLSI)

- Working on behalf of the Michigan Department of Education, Office of Special Education, MIBLSI is supported through several funding streams. Partial funding is used to support the recommendations of the Lt. Governor's Special Education Task Force. For this work, the project is currently developing the capacity to improve school climate and social behavior needs in 8 ISDs, 16 local school districts, and 32 schools.
- MIBLSI project staff have written a number of publications during the 2017-2018 year, including:



Goodman, S., (Fall 2017). Lessons learned through a statewide implementation of a multi-tier system of support. Perspectives on Language and Literacy. *International Dyslexia Association*.

Goodman, S., & Bohanon, H. (2018). A framework for supporting all students. *National School Boards Association*.

Morrison, J. Q. & Harms, A, L. (2018) Advancing Evidence-Based Practice Through Program Evaluation: A Practical Guide for School-Based Professionals. New York: Oxford University Press.

Morrison, J. Q., & Rollenhagen, J. L. (2017). Commentary: Universal screening for social, emotional, and behavioral risk in schools using protective factors. *Journal of Psychology and Psychotherapy*, 7:4. doi: 10.4172/2161-0487.1000314

Payno-Simmons, R. L. (2017). Supportive practices for culturally and linguistically diverse students in PBIS schools: Part 1. Association of Positive Behavior Support Newsletter 15 (2) 2–3.

Payno-Simmons, R. L. (2017). Supportive practices for culturally and linguistically diverse students (CLDS) in PBIS schools: Part 2 Association of Positive Behavior Support Newsletter 15 (4) 2–3.

Rollenhagen, J., Goodman, S., & Barnes, A. C. (September 2017). Using data to address racial disproportionality in discipline practices. *Communiqué, Bethesda, MD: National Association of School Psychologists*.

Medicaid School Based Services (SBS) Program

- **The Statewide Medicaid Conference will be held August 16-17 at Shanty Creek Resort in Bellaire.** Medicaid covers the costs of registration and meals during the Conference within reason. It is recommended you send at least one member of your staff to this important learning opportunity that features the Executive Director of the National Alliance for Medicaid in Education, John Hill and presentations by many ISD Medicaid coordinators who are sharing their tips for efficiency, staff compliance and lessons learned. Conference Registration opened in May. For more details go to: <https://events.mphi.org/school-based-services-conference/>
- National Alliance for Medicaid in Education Annual Conference will be held October 14-17, 2018 in Baltimore, Maryland. For more details go to: www.MedicaidForEducation.org
- Please let Dana Billings know of Medicaid staff/personnel changes in your district. You can contact her at billingsd1@michigan.gov or 517-335-2250 with information about who has left, who has arrived, their title/role and contact information.



- To discuss **Medicaid SBS Policy**, contact Kevin Bauer at the Medicaid agency: BauerK2@michigan.gov or 517-284-1197
- To discuss **Medicaid reimbursement for your district**, contact Amy Kanter at the Medicaid agency: KanterA@michigan.gov or 517-241-4240

Monitoring

- In July, Catamaran will contain ISD level information on indicators B-4 (Rates of Suspension and Expulsion), B-5 (Educational Environments), B-6 (Early Childhood Educational Environments), and B-11 (Child Find). This data will be available to ISD personnel under Reports. Please keep an eye out for an upcoming email with links to training materials for accessing and using this data.
- The virtual monitoring for B-4 (Rates of Suspension and Expulsion) is underway. The OSE will issue any findings of noncompliance and corrective action plans in Catamaran in September.

Low Incidence Outreach (LIO)

- LIO has a Facebook page. Like us at: [facebook.com/mdelio.social](https://www.facebook.com/mdelio.social)

Upcoming Learning Opportunities

Alt+Shift

- Introduction to Pragmatic Organization Dynamic Display (PODD) Communication Books, two-day workshop with Laura Taylor
 - **June 27-28, 2018** – St. Johns, MI
- [Foundations of Math](http://mi2.cenmi.org/professional-learning-opportunities/foundations-math/5-day-full-course) (<http://mi2.cenmi.org/professional-learning-opportunities/foundations-math/5-day-full-course>)
 - **August 1 and 2, October 3, November 5 and 6** (five-day training)
– St. Johns, MI
- [Foundations of Math: Teaching Students With Significant Disabilities](http://mi2.cenmi.org/professional-learning-opportunities/fom%3A-teaching-students) (<http://mi2.cenmi.org/professional-learning-opportunities/fom%3A-teaching-students>)
 - **August 3, October 4 and 5, November 7 and 8** (five-day training)
– St. Johns, MI



Michigan Alliance for Families (MAF)

There are no additional learning opportunities or webinars on the schedule for the 2017-2018 school year. We are planning and developing various learning opportunities, webinars, and other events for 2018-2019 and will post the information to our [MAF event calendar](http://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org/upcoming-events/) (<http://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org/upcoming-events/>).

Be sure to view our selection of free [on-demand webinars](http://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org/webinar/) (<http://www.michiganallianceforfamilies.org/webinar/>).

Michigan's Integrated Behavior and Learning Support Initiative (MIBLSI)

Please visit the [MIBLSI events page](https://miblsi.org/events) (<https://miblsi.org/events>) for more information on upcoming professional development events.

- REWARDS Secondary
An event for Title 1 teachers and reading interventionists
 - **June 15, 2018** – Clinton County Regional Educational Service Agency (RESA), St. Johns, MI
- School-Wide Information System (SWIS) Facilitator Certification Training
An event for individuals who are looking to become SWIS facilitators.
 - **June 19-21, 2018** – Country Inn & Suites, 6511 Centurion Drive, Lansing, MI
- REWARDS Secondary
An event for Title 1 teachers and reading interventionists
 - **August 10, 2018** – Radisson Plaza Hotel at Kalamazoo Center, 100 West Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo, MI
- REWARDS Plus Social Studies and Science
An event for reading interventionists, Title 1 teachers, and secondary teachers.
 - **August 13, 2018** – Radisson Plaza Hotel at Kalamazoo Center, 100 West Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo, MI
- Student Risk Screening Scale (SRSS) Coordinator Training
Schools are asked to conduct universal screening using the SRSS coming off the MIBLSI Intervention Systems training or Promoting Positive School Climate (PPSC) Tier 2 Behavior Supports training.
 - **August 30, 2018** – SpringHill Suites by Marriott Lansing, 111 S. Marketplace Blvd., Lansing, MI



Statewide Autism and Resources Training (START)

- START will host a statewide Peer-to-Peer training on October 16-17, 2018 at the Crowne Plaza Lansing West, located at 925 Creyts Road in Lansing. Registration will open summer 2018. For more information, visit the [START events webpage](https://www.gvsu.edu/autismcenter/start-events-49.htm) (<https://www.gvsu.edu/autismcenter/start-events-49.htm>).

Low Incidence Outreach (LIO)

- [2018 EIPA Skill Development Workshop](#)
June 21, 2018
Clare, Michigan
In this event, educational interpreters will learn skills for including key vocabulary when interpreting from American Sign Language (ASL) to English. Participants will engage in small group and partner practice, and presenters will provide individual feedback.
- [MDE-LIO Assistive Technology Assessments](#)
August 13-17, 2018
Lansing, Michigan
Assistive technology assessments for students, ages 3 to 26, with visual impairments. The purpose of the assessment is to determine which tools are appropriate for meeting the student's current and future needs.
- [Foundations for Literacy Two-Day Training](#)
August 18-19, 2018
Lansing, Michigan
This two-day training is focused on Michigan certified teachers who deliver reading and early literacy instruction to students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing. Dr. Stacey Tucci, from Georgia State University's Center on Literacy and Deafness (CLAD) will be presenting.

Camp Tuhsmeheeta Events:

- [Expanded Core Curriculum\(ECC\) Camp for Elementary Students](#)
July 9-12, 2018
Greenville, Michigan
The ECC Camp for Elementary Students is a traditional residential camp experience for children ages 8-12 who are blind or visually impaired. This is a unique three-night, four-day camping event. Outcomes include independent living skills, recreation and leisure, self-determination, and orientation and mobility skills.
- [Outdoor Education Workshop - South Manitou Island Backpacking](#)
August 13-17, 2018
South Manitou Island, Michigan
Camp Tuhsmeheeta invites students ages 13-17 to practice skills and knowledge learned in Backpacking 101 as we explore South Manitou Island.



For more information about any of the events listed above, please visit [LIO's website](https://mdelio.org) (<https://mdelio.org>).