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Dear Dr. Joseph:

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is pleased to provide Eastern Michigan University (EMU) with a three-year extension, of its experimental program for the preparation of teachers of Modern Standard Arabic and Arab Culture (FK).

As was the previous agreement regarding conditions for experimental programs:

1. This approval is an extension of the initial approval. The extension will be accepted for three (3) years from the expiration date of the initial approval, without the possibility for additional extension. If evidence of success and need are clear, EMU may submit application for approval of a regular Modern Standard Arabic and Arab Culture program.
2. A list of students (with their student identification numbers) for that year's teacher candidate cohort will be submitted to the MDE by September 15 of each year during the experimental period. Once submitted, the cohort composition is fixed; no increase in cohort quantity and no substitutes for dropouts may be made. Final recommendations regarding experimental program completers must be restricted to teacher candidates initially on each annual cohort list.
3. An annual experimental program progress report will be submitted electronically to the MDE by June 30 for each subsequent year of the experimental program. The report shall include:

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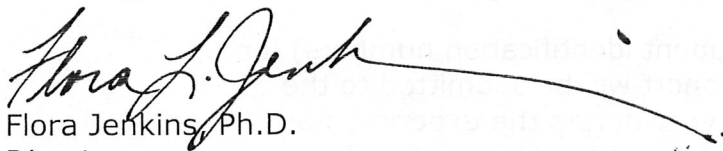
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- cohort designation including, teacher candidates identified by name and identification number;
- teacher candidate language proficiency records for oral, written, listening, and reading skills measured as described for the experimental program;
- retention and program completion data for experimental program candidates compared with aggregate retention and program completion data for non-experimental program candidates;
- Arabic MTTC passing percentages for teacher candidates;
- evidence the experimental program effectuates the learning of Arabic and Arab Culture by K-12 students in Michigan schools; and
- other narrative statements and documentation EMU chooses to demonstrate the effectiveness and success of this experimental program.

4. The experimental program may be terminated at MDE's discretion if a required annual report is not received by the MDE by the June 30 deadline.

This program will likely improve the global opportunities available for Michigan's K-12 students. If you have other questions about experimental program details, please contact Dr. Sarah-Kate LaVan, at (517)373-7861 or LaVanS@michigan.gov.

Sincerely,



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