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The EPI performance data that we have received from the Michigan Department of Education is presented in this document as follows:

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 27, 2020

TO: Educator Preparation Institution Deans and Directors

FROM: Leah Breen, Director
Office of Educator Excellence

SUBJECT: 2020 Educator Preparation Institution Performance Score

Thank you for your patience with the release of the 2020 Educator Preparation Institution (EPI) Performance Score. We appreciate your commitment to quality teacher preparation and continuous improvement. The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is happy to announce that the Performance Score data places all institutions at “Satisfactory” for 2020! The MDE is still in the process of working with stakeholders from EPIs and the K-12 field to redesign the framework of the current system. Given this, the 2020 Performance Score was calculated utilizing the previous methodology to determine whether positive trends from the previous score system are continuing, and full results will not be published on our site. The MDE will be sending each institution their results to support continuous improvement and accreditation activities that rely on these data.

In two subsequent emails, each EPI will receive their score and the data that fed the score. The data that will be provided in these emails is a subset of the certification and employment data sent to all institutions the week of April 6th focusing on those records that meet the business rules of each Performance Score metric. For example, educator evaluations for educators in the first three years of their teaching career instead of all evaluations available in the last five years. If you have questions about the data provided please do not hesitate to reach out to Katelyn Boswell Gallagher at BoswellGallagherK@michigan.gov.
Western Michigan University 2020 EPI Performance Score

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- Min: 86.7
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All MI EPIs were rated Satisfactory in 2020

Source: Michigan Department of Education, April 27, 2020
MEMORANDUM

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FROM:       Leah Breen, Director
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Thank you for continuing to serve as partners in this work. Please feel free to contact me at (517) 241-1392 or breenl1@michigan.gov with questions/comments.
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