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Greetings!

The Office of School Improvement is pleased to invite you to a Michigan Merit Curriculum Update. Topics to be covered include Social Studies High School Content Expectations and Grade Level Content Expectations, Science Grade Level Content Expectations, Online Experience, World Languages, Personal Curriculum, and Visual, Performing, and Applied Arts. Attached is a flyer with dates, times, locations, and the agenda.

These sessions are designed for teachers, counselors, Intermediate School District and Regional Education Service Agencies, curriculum consultants, Special Education Directors, Curriculum Directors, and representatives from Higher Education, Career and Technical Education, and professional organizations.

Please forward this on to others who may want to attend. This is an exciting time for our department and we are anxious to update you on the department's curriculum efforts and the Michigan Merit Curriculum. Your willingness to help and support our efforts to provide current and accurate information to districts is appreciated.

Please feel free to contact Mary Selden at 517-335-3442, or [seldenm@michigan.gov](mailto:seldenm@michigan.gov) if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Betty Underwood, Interim Director  
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# Regional Rollouts



**Michigan Merit Curriculum Update:**  
Online Experience  
Personal Curriculum  
Science (K-7)  
Social Studies (K-12)  
Visual, Performing, and Applied Arts  
World Languages



## Dates & Sites

**December 18, 2007**  
**December 19, 2007**  
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**Marquette-Alger RESA**  
[www.maresa.org](http://www.maresa.org)

**January 9, 2008**  
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**Wexford-Missaukee ISD**  
[www.wmisd.org](http://www.wmisd.org)

**January 18, 2008**  
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**Kent ISD**  
[www.kentisd.org/hub](http://www.kentisd.org/hub)

**January 30, 2008**  
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**Saginaw ISD**  
[www.sisd.cc](http://www.sisd.cc)

**February 4, 2008**  
**February 5, 2008**  
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**St. Clair County RESA**  
[www.sccresa.org](http://www.sccresa.org)

**February 22, 2008**  
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**Kalamazoo RESA**  
[www.kresa.org](http://www.kresa.org)

**March 4, 2008**  
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**Wayne RESA**  
**The rollout will be held at the Doubletree Hotel Dearborn.**  
[www.resa.net](http://www.resa.net)

**March 28, 2008**  
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
**Ingham ISD**  
[www.inghamisd.org](http://www.inghamisd.org)

**Michigan's New Content Expectations for K-7 Science Rollout**  
Offered by the Michigan State University Office for K-12 Outreach  
**January 28, 2008**  
Michigan State University Kellogg Center  
East Lansing, MI  
8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
0.5 SB-CEUs will be offered.  
[www.educ.msu.edu/k12out](http://www.educ.msu.edu/k12out)

## ***Who should attend?***

*Intermediate School Districts and Regional Education Area Staff*

*Curriculum Leaders*

*Administrators*

*Counselors*

*Social Studies Teachers*

*Science Teachers*

*Special Education Teachers*

*Career and Technical Education Teachers*

## **Agenda**

### **8:30 a.m. Overview**

- Michigan Merit Update – The Big Picture
- Cross Discipline, Cross Grade Planning
- ACT, Credit Assessments, Testing Out
- MDE Resources
- Breakout Session Overview

### **\*9:45 – 11:45 a.m. Breakout Sessions – 2 hours**

- High School Social Studies Expectations
- K-7 Science Expectations
- Visual, Performing, and Applied Arts
- Online Experience

### **11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch**

### **\*1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Breakout Sessions – 2 hours**

- K-8 Social Studies
- Personal Curriculum
- High School Companion Documents (Science, Math, ELA)
- World Languages

**\*Sessions may vary depending on the host site.**

**Registration: Please register online with host ISD.**

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