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Dear Michigan Educator:

Thank you for your interest in the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC). On behalf of the Michigan Department of Education (MDE), I encourage you to fill out an application and also nominate your colleagues for participation in test development activities.

### **Background Information**

Section 1531 of Public Act 451 (1976), as amended by Public Act 267 (1986) and Public Act 289 (1995), mandated a testing program as part of Michigan's teacher certification requirements. As a result, the MTTC was developed. Since then the MDE has periodically reviewed and redeveloped the tests to ensure that they are current and consistent with Michigan State Board of Education-approved educator preparation standards.

**The MDE works with the Evaluation Systems group of Pearson, our test contractor, in conducting test development and administration activities.**

### **Involvement of Michigan Educators**

The MDE is committed to involving exemplary Michigan educators in all aspects of the test development process. This helps us ensure that certified teachers have the pedagogical content knowledge and skills that are important for the job of an educator in Michigan PK-12 schools. Therefore, the involvement of Michigan PK-12 educators and college/university faculty who, in any setting, instruct teacher candidates who are currently teaching is essential.

### **Application and Nomination Process**

Applications are available online. To complete an application please visit the recruitment website at <http://www.mirecruit.nesinc.com>. Once an application is received by Evaluation Systems, it will be sent to the MDE for review. Eligible educators will receive an invitation. Please take a moment to nominate others by completing a nomination form at the same website.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to email the Committee Recruitment Group at Evaluation Systems at [EvaluationSystemsCRG@pearson.com](mailto:EvaluationSystemsCRG@pearson.com).

Thank you for your help.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sean Kottke".

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