Michigan Merit Exam
Unlocking the Future for Students
What is the Michigan Merit Examination (MME)?

- Signed into law to replace the Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP) at the high school level
- Requires that 11th grade students take the new state assessment in March
- Participation is a district requirement for graduation
What is the MME?

The Michigan Merit Examination is divided into three parts:

♦ **ACT plus writing**—
  - English, Reading, Science, Math, Writing

♦ **Work Keys**—
  - Applied Math, Reading for Information

♦ **Michigan Items**—
  - Social Studies, Science, Supplemental Math
ACT

♦ The ACT is a national college admission examination.
♦ ACT results are accepted by virtually all U.S. colleges and universities.
♦ The ACT component of MME may be used by colleges for admission.
Work Keys

- Work Keys is a job skills assessment system from ACT that measures "real-world" skills that employers believe are critical to job success.

- It identifies gaps between student skills and employment needs.
Michigan Items

- The ACT and Work Keys do not assess enough of the Michigan Curriculum standards to meet federal requirements.
- Therefore, some additional testing will be required.
- This part of the MME is similar to the MEAP high school test.
Changes in Testing

- MME is a timed test
- Very strict testing conditions required by ACT
- Two score reports will be provided. One standard ACT report and one MME report
- Fewer chances to be reassessed
- Reassessment requires the entire MME to be completed again
Who takes the MME?

♦ 11th grade students in Michigan will take the MME.
Why is the MME important?

♦ School Report Card grades are based, in part, on MME results
♦ Students learn how prepared they are for education & careers after high school
♦ Students may qualify for up to $4,000 in the form of merit grants (Michigan Promise Grant) to be used at state universities, community colleges, or technical institutes in Michigan
Benefits of MME

♦ A free ACT & 1 free retake, if needed
♦ Qualifying score on ACT can be used for college admission
♦ Qualifying score can bring recruitment & scholarship offers
♦ Can be used to qualify for the new Michigan Promise Grant
When is MME?

♦ MME replaces the MEAP for 11th graders, beginning March 2007
♦ Michigan juniors take the MME in 2007 on March 13th – 15th
♦ Make-up days March 27th & 28th
How will the Lapeer School District administer the MME?

11th grade students from East, West & Community will test a full day on March 13th at East. They will attend AM testing sessions only at West on March 14th & 15th & will go home for the remainder of the school day.

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