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ADMINISTRATORS OF SPECIAL EDUCATION**





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# Vision

We envision an educational system that meets the needs of ALL students, ensuring that they achieve their full potential.



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The House School Aid Budget directly impacts our ability to live into the vision and meet the needs of ALL students.



# 750+ MAASE Members

## Where do our members work?

- Traditional Local Districts
- ISDs/ESAs
- Charter Schools
- Charter Authorizers
- Cyber Schools
- Non-public
- And More

## What type of work do they do?

- Aspiring administrators
- Special education directors at both the local and ISD level
- Center program Principals
- Technical assistance providers
- Principals
- Superintendents



"This (MAASE) gives you a platform and a group of people to stand around you and support you."



- Melissa Strobridge  
MAASE Member

# 210,000 students in the state of Michigan qualify for special education services across 13 areas of eligibility

- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Cognitive Impairment
- Deaf-Blind (39)
- Deaf/Hard of Hearing
- Early Childhood Developmental Delay
- Emotional Impairment
- Specific Learning Disability
- Other Health Impaired
- Physically Impaired
- Severe Multiple Impaired
- Speech and Language Impaired
- Traumatic Brain Injury (398)
- Visual Impairment/Blindness (728)





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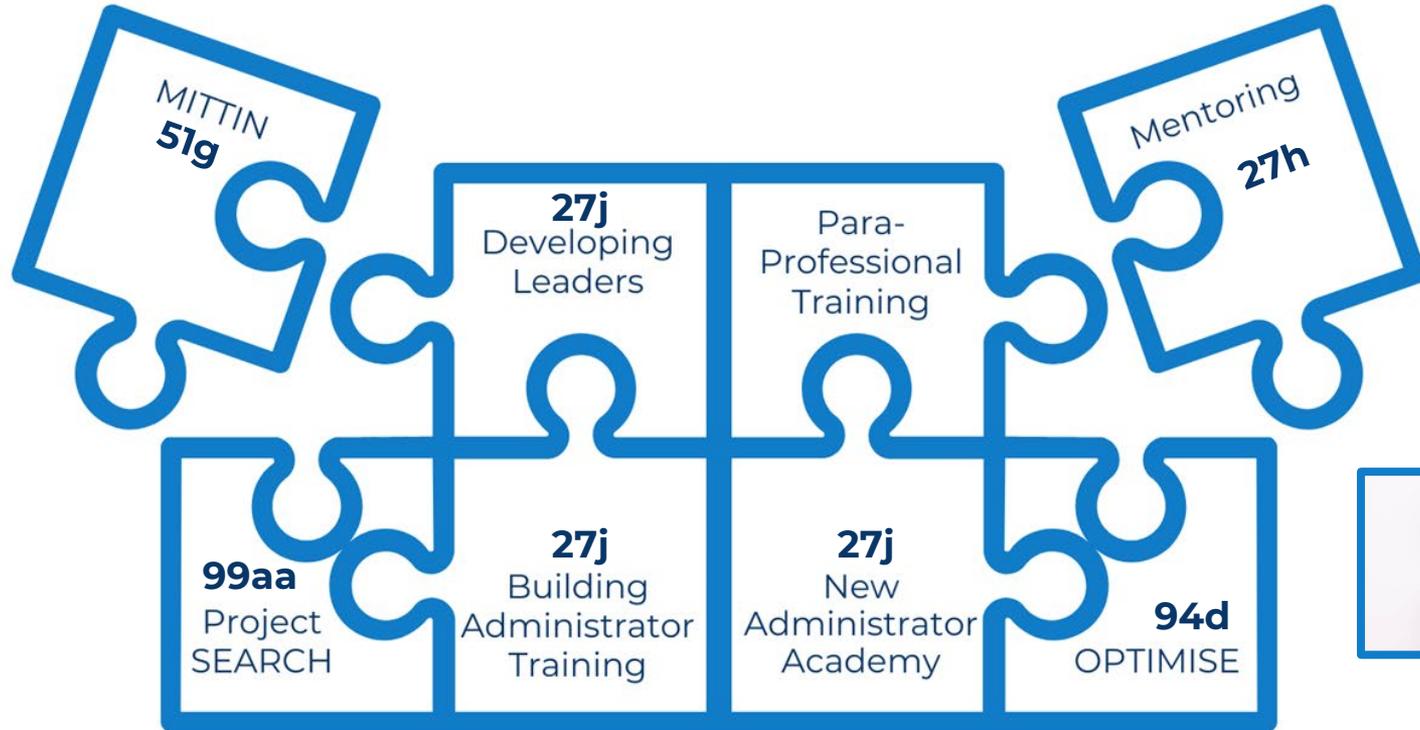
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**Challenges Matched with Solutions**



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# Economy of Scale





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ATTRACT

PREPARE

RETAIN



# OPTIMISE

OPENING THE PIPELINE OF TALENT  
INTO MICHIGAN'S SPECIAL EDUCATION

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ENERGY INTO ACTION

# Meeting the Needs of ALL Students



Special Education  
Administrator Approval  
(30 additional credit hours)



Central Office Endorsement

Elementary and Secondary  
Admin K-12 Endorsement



# School Administrator Certificate

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One way to remove barriers.



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# Section 27j: Supporting Administrators to meet the needs of ALL students.



## Attract

Streamlined  
credentials

Create an Alternate  
Route Option for  
Special Educ Admin

## Prepare

Special Education content  
infused into prep programs

New Administrator Academy  
Building Administrator Training

## Retain

Statewide Mentoring  
Opportunities

Accessible high  
quality professional  
learning

# Administrator Training: 27j of the proposed budget



*"The information was so useful and impactful. It was real things that I deal with daily that helps alleviate issues and stressors that are occurring in my position that I was not an expert in."*

*"Managing special education is a huge process. The more I learn as Principal the more I understand."*





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# Paraeducator Training and Support



## Attract

High School Career  
Technical Education  
Programs

## Prepare

Community College  
Fast Track Programs

## Retain

Regional Professional  
Learning and Micro-  
Credentialing

# Section 99aa:

## Project SEARCH: A School to Work Transition Program



### Current Business Partners

Bronson Methodist Hospital, Kalamazoo

\*City of Sterling Heights

Consumers Energy, Jackson

Corewell DeVos Children's, Grand Rapids

Corewell Health Lakeland Hospital, St. Joseph

Corewell Health Dearborn Hospital

Corewell Health Beaumont Hospital, Troy

Corewell Health University, Royal Oak

\*Corewell Health Trenton Hospital

\*Corewell Health Wayne Hospital

Duncan Aviation, Battle Creek

Fifth Third Bank, Grand Rapids

\*Genesee County Parks, Flint

Henry Ford Hospital, West Bloomfield Hills

\*Karmanos Cancer Institute at McLaren Clarkston

Michigan State University, East Lansing

MyMichigan Hospital Sault, Sault Ste. Marie

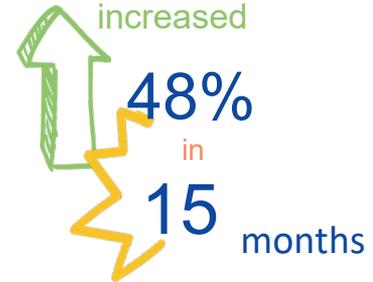
ProMedica Bixby & Herrick Hospital, Adrian

ProMedica Monroe Hospital, Monroe

\* New sites Fall 2023



With funding, Project SEARCH partnerships increased



**Inclusion. Opportunity. Employment.**



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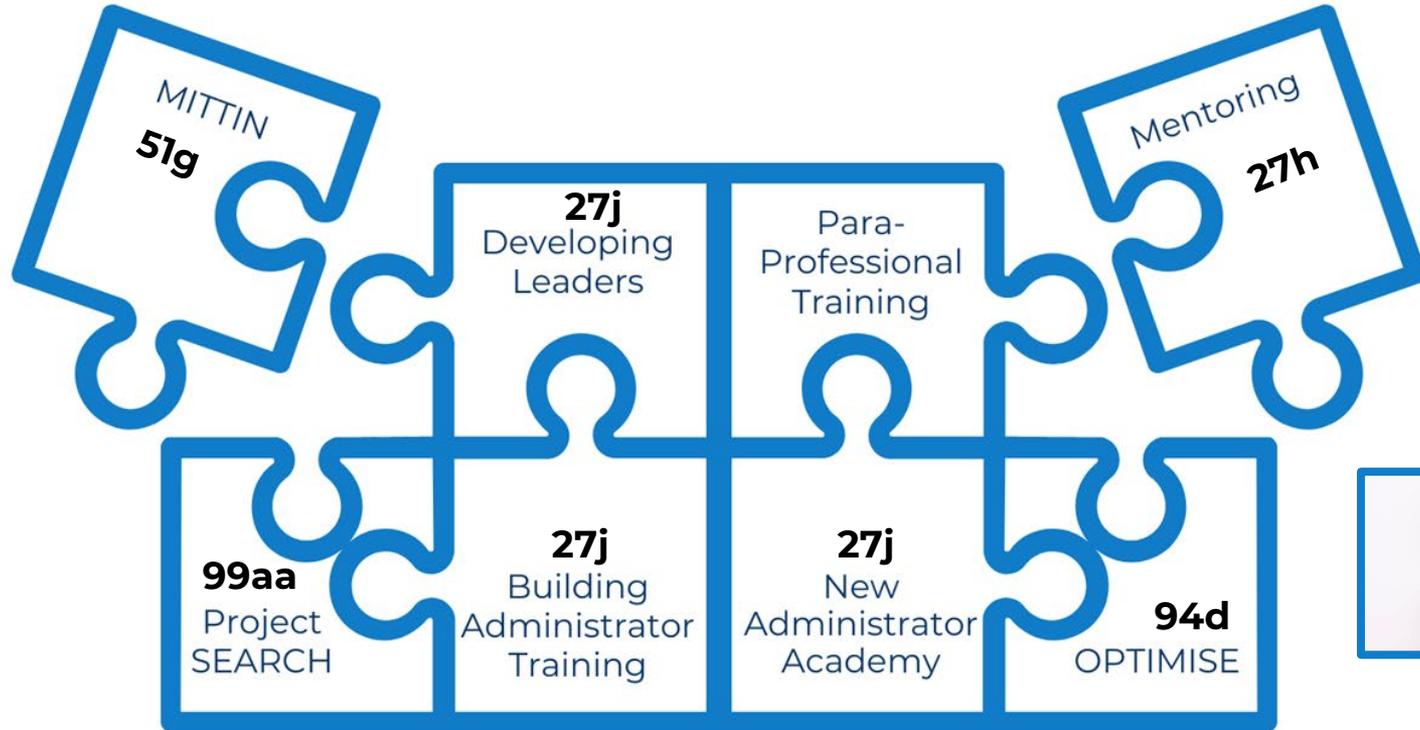
MI TRANSITION TO INDEPENDENCE  
INNOVATIVE CURRICULAR RESOURCES

## Section 51g:

- Innovative digital & curricular resources
- Virtual Learning Communities & Learning Labs
- Safely practicing home and community activities in a virtual setting
- Entry level job-skill development & practice



# Economy of Scale



# Questions



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