

ARE WE READY?? PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TEACHER PREPARATION

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS

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Michigan Department of Education Resources:

- School Improvement Framework
- Grade Level Content Expectations
- High School Content Expectations
- Professional Development Vision and Standards
- Entry Level Standards for Michigan Teachers
- State of Michigan Educational Technology Plan
- Michigan Professional Learning Strategic Plan

Web Resources:

MDE Website (includes links to teacher preparation institutions): www.mi.gov/mde
ASSIST online modules and resources for teachers: www.assist.educ.msu.edu/ASSIST
Learnport Professional Development Modules: www.learnport.org
netTrekker: www.nettrekker.com
Michigan Association for Computer Users in Learning: www.macul.org
Merit Network, Inc.: www.merit.edu
Free Teacher Lesson Plans: www.thegateway.org
Network of Michigan Teachers: www.nme-educators.org
Michigan eLibrary: www.mi.gov/mel
Center for Educational Networking: www.cenmi.org
State Board-Continuing Education Units (SB-CEU):
www.solutionwhere.com/mi_sbceu/main.asp
United States Department of Education: www.ed.gov/teachers
Regional Educational Media Center Association of Michigan: www.remc.org

Are we ready presentation:

- **Today's teacher preparation programs must prepare teachers for tomorrow's students**
- **This means that programs must anticipate the needs of future learners**
- **These learners are referred to as "digital natives"**
- **Their learning needs will be centered around technology, and more global societal, economic and ecological issues**
- **Professional development is one of the means by which current teachers can strengthen their content knowledge as well as how to use technology to prepare students for the future**
- **Currently Michigan law requires 15 days of professional development for novice teachers over their first 3 years of teaching and 5 days each year for all teachers**
- **In order to focus PD on areas of need the MDE has developed a number of initiatives/resources for local districts and teachers to use and there are a number of other online resources and websites that can be used**