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MDE Opens Registration for August Education Workforce Virtual Job Fairs

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LANSING – The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is pleased to announce the open registration of its August 2021 Education Workforce Virtual Job Fairs, presented in cooperation with the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO).

"From administrative assistants to teachers, from principals to bus drivers, it takes a broad range of educational staff working together to serve our students and their diverse needs," said State Superintendent Dr. Michael Rice. "Helping local school districts find the best educators and support staff is important to assist students in their learning experiences, and job fairs are one way that MDE is able to assist schools and districts in placing staff in areas of need."

The 2021 virtual job fairs are open to employers of educators and educational support staff, as well as all individuals seeking to work in the education field. The job fairs will leverage LEO's expertise in hosting virtual job fairs to ensure a smoother, more robust experience for both employers and job seekers, by utilizing a new platform, Brazen, that features increased functionality and ease of use.

Increasing the numbers of certified teachers in areas of shortage is one of the eight goals of the state's <u>Top 10 Strategic Education Plan</u>.

The Education Workforce Job Fairs will take place on the following dates:

- August 4, 2021
- August 5, 2021

For information and to register, job seekers and employers can visit http://bit.ly/MIEDUCATION JOBFAIRS.

For information on how to become a certified administrator or teacher in Michigan, please visit the Office of Educator Excellence website.

Staff are also available to answer specific certification questions sent to MDE-EducatorHelp@Michigan.gov.