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Superintendent Dena Cushenberry
Metropolitan School District of Warren Township
Education & Community Center
975 North Post Road
Indianapolis, Indiana 46219

Dear Superintendent Cushenberry:

I would like to extend my thanks to you and your staff for your hard work and collaboration with us as Metropolitan School District of Warren Township (MSD) begins to implement its Race to the Top – District grant. Between April 8, 2013 and July 23, 2013, we received initial and revised school implementation plans and a detailed Scope of Work that is consistent with its approved application. We approve the District's Scope of Work and the format of the school implementation plans; the District Scope of Work and school implementation plans include specific goals, activities, timeline, budgets, key personnel, and annual targets for key performance measures. As we have discussed with you, the Scope of Work may be subject to additional review and revision where appropriate over time.

On December 27, 2012, Warren received a grant of \$28,570,886 with the condition that the District draw down no more than 10 percent of the grant prior to approval of the District's Scope of Work. I am pleased to notify you that the remaining balance of the award is now available to MSD. Funds may be drawn down only as they are needed, and their use must be consistent with the implementation of MSD's Race to the Top – District plan and in support of accomplishing its proposed milestones.

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Sincerely,

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