

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

Approved by the Regents

March 17, 2006

ACTION REQUEST

SUBJECT: Early Childhood Education Department
ACTION REQUESTED: Approval to Establish an Instructional Department
EFFECTIVE DATE: May 1, 2006

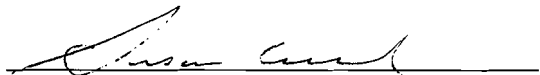
The School of Education and Human Services requests approval to establish the Early Childhood Education Department. This proposal is the result of numerous and extensive discussions between the dean, the Executive Committee and the Department of Education.

The new department will consist of three current full-time, tenure track faculty members. We intend on additional faculty within the next one to three years.


The new department will be responsive to all academic matters pertaining to, integrating within and reflecting outward from the academic enterprise reflected by individual families, community agencies and social issues specifically associated with children by the social construct of early childhood. Structure, representation and administration of said department would include, but not be limited to, the Early Childhood Development Center, legitimated as an administration of the academic enterprise of the School of Education and Human Services.


We respectfully request that the Regents endorse this request by the School of Education and Human Services to establish the Early Childhood Education Department.

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Recommendation endorsed by:


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