I am reaching out to you today on behalf of our district to express interest in establishing an integration with the Michigan Data Hub (MiDataHub). As a vendor you may have considered or started this work in the past but with the impact of recent events like the COVID pandemic, staffing issues, and other obstacles this work might have been delayed. MiDataHub has experienced exponential growth with districts and vendor participation, therefore an integration with MiDataHub would be of great benefit to many districts using your system.

During the 2021-22 school year 832 districts throughout the state (accounting for 1,534,359 students) took advantage of services MiDataHub offers. MiDataHub is currently on track to exceed this by the end of the 2022-23 school year. As of April 1, 2023 there are over 836 districts (1,548,534 students) with data populated to MiDataHub. In addition to the numerous districts and vendors working with MiDataHub, the Michigan Department of Education and CEPI are continuing to heavily leverage MiDataHub and its available functionality.

Additional services provided from MiDataHub providing benefit to districts and vendor products:

- **UIC Services** provides districts a streamlined, efficient, automatic way to search, resolve, link, and request UICs directly from any API connected system.
- State Reporting currently piloting districts within all 5 student information systems, with one Student Information System requiring its districts utilize the State Reporting functionality in MiDataHub for generating files for reporting to CEPI. This data includes the student SNE status
- Snack-Pack Service allows users to view critical enrollment data for newly enrolled students based on the data last reported to CEPI by the student's previous district. This API lookup provides critical data to ensure students have access to services they are entitled upon enrollment in the district, this data includes economic disadvantaged status.
- **Direct Certification Lookup** allows districts to verify the SNE certification status of a student and can allow for files to be available in an API connected system without the need to upload/download files between MSDS and the system. This data can be made available for food service staff or state reporting personnel for processing as well.

Most vendor partners that MiDataHub collaborates with are either using the EdFI API, OneRoster API, or file integration using an outbound integration export from the MiDataHub ODS.

While the immediate benefit of the direct certification integration would be a tremendous cost and time savings for districts across the state, we would be extremely satisfied if development were to continue with the rostering of data from the ODS, and eventually integrate the Direct Cert functionality. MiDataHub currently offers an outbound integration option and when used will export a CSV from a secured location to consume. Although this isn't a true API it will ensure the need to provide your system with current data for up-to-date student records.

We are asking that you consider this request for establishing an integration with MiDataHub, allowing its customers to easily connect and send data to their system and take advantage of the growing number of benefits available to them. This service would not only benefit current and potential districts across the state but could possibly expand to other ED-FI using states as well. If you would be willing to discuss becoming a MiDataHub integrated vendor partner, please email <a href="mailto:support@midatahub.org">support@midatahub.org</a> and they will set up a call to discuss the process and benefits further.