

Welcome from

## Michigan Assessment Consortium

THE MISSION OF THE MICHIGAN ASSESSMENT CONSORTIUM (MAC) is to improve student learning and achievement through a system of coherent curriculum, balanced assessment, and effective instruction. We do this by collaboratively promoting assessment knowledge and practice, providing professional learning opportunities, and providing and sharing assessment tools and resources.

The Assessment Literacy Standards (published in 2015 and State Board of Education endorsed May 2016) are the foundation Michigan educators and their professional associations can build on to increase assessment literacy of all education stakeholders. Quality assessment practices and comprehensive, balanced assessment systems should support learning and assure all education stakeholders that our students receive the education they deserve and need to contribute and thrive in the world.

The Assessment Learning Network is a unique concept supported by MAC and the Michigan Department of Education to engage the leadership from Michigan's professional education associations to learn together about the power of assessment to support the development of our students, their educators and our state. We are excited to welcome you to this statewide learning community; with your engagement and perspective, we believe we will invest in our children and our profession by using assessment to cultivate the capable learners Michigan will be proud of.

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