## **Governor's Proposal Talking Points**

## Michigan Pupil Accounting and Attendance Association

- Legislative timelines will not allow public nor non-public shared time schools to accurately prepare budgets for the following school year resulting in the elimination of many shared time programs.
  - Public Schools prepare Shared Time budgets in March/April of the prior year
  - o Pupil Count is submitted in October
  - o Non-Resident Report is posted in January
  - O The earliest Public Schools would know the exact revenue amount for Shared Time would be January of the current year, after the Non-Resident Report is generated
  - o One of three scenarios will occur
    - All public schools will discontinue Shared Time
    - All public schools will continue Shared Time at the current level and be forced to end their programs in January (worst case)
    - Some schools remain and some schools discontinue (would need 50% to discontinue to ensure the remaining are fully funded)
- Public schools generate from 0 to 40% excess revenue on Shared Time programs. A reduction of 50% would mean that most schools would discontinue Shared Time to avoid operating at a loss. This would impact up to 80% of non-public schools.
- The cost of the details of implementation could be prohibitive. This would require an entirely new system of reporting, calculation, auditing, and appeal.

## **Carrollton Public Schools**

- Public Schools benefit as much from Shared Time programs as non-public schools.
- Benefits to Carrollton Public Schools
  - o Elementary Spanish Program
  - o Middle School Art Program
  - o High School Academic Seminar Program
  - o After School Nutrition Program
  - o Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum
  - o Grants Coordinator
- Shared Time programs create a sense of mutual respect and support within the community.
- In many cases non-public elementary schools are feeder programs to public high schools.
- Non-public schools would lose the benefit of Shared Time teachers who are subject to the rigorous state teacher evaluation system as well as the benefit of professional development.
- Shared Time teachers pay into the retirement system.
- If the proposed Shared Time cut goes through most of Carrollton's Elementary Non-Public partners (10 elementary schools) will discontinue their non-core programs, or classroom teachers without proper certification will give up preparation time to teach non-core subjects. i.e. They will not hire teachers to replace the Shared Time teachers.
- Shared Time is less than 1% of the total state school aid budget. Does this
  cut significantly impact the bottom line enough to counter the devastating
  impact it will have?